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## Profile

**Shelley Tarnowski, Sergeant, Provincial Coordinator of Abuse Issues  
Ontario Provincial Police, Crime Prevention Section**

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Sergeant Shelley Tarnowski has been a police officer with the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) for sixteen years. Shelley began her career at the Caledon Detachment where, as a uniform patrol officer, she performed a variety of duties including, Breathalyser Technician, Scenes of Crime Officer (SOCO), Platoon Abuse Investigator, Coach Officer, School Liaison Officer and Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System (ViCLAS) Coordinator.

In 1997, Shelley was assigned to assist with the implementation of the first OPP Regional Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Investigation Unit. Two years later, she assumed the role of Regional Abuse Issues Coordinator for the Greater Toronto Region. During her tenure as Regional Coordinator, Shelley was instrumental in developing the first Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Protocols for Peel Region and Dufferin County. In 2001, Shelley spearheaded a campaign to develop “The Sunrise Centre”, a Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Treatment Centre at Headwaters Healthcare Centre in Orangeville.

In addition to her time in Abuse Issues, Shelley was assigned for two years to the Regional Crime Unit, followed by an eighteen month secondment to the Criminal Investigations Branch as a lead investigator on a 35 year old historical homicide. Transferring to General Headquarters in January 2005, Shelley was promoted to the rank of Detective Sergeant and subsequently spent two and half years as an investigator with the Professional Standards Bureau.

Since July of 2007, Shelley has been assigned to the Crime Prevention Section as the Provincial Coordinator of Abuse Issues for the Ontario Provincial Police.

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