



2014 ANNUAL REPORT



Mission: To enhance the quality of justice in the communities we serve through restorative measures

An Overview of 2014

2014 was a milestone year for CERA, as it marked our fifteenth anniversary. CERA was proud to reach this significant landmark and celebrate all that has been accomplished. We are thankful to all who have walked this journey with us, and are optimistic that together we shall celebrate many more landmarks in the future.

CERA continued to address crime through restorative measures in partnership with the Coquitlam/Port Coquitlam RCMP, New Westminister Police Department, and Port Moody Police Department. The relationship with the police agencies remains staunch, and we continue to diversify the types of cases referred. We are further pleased that we reinforced our relationship with Victim Services and renewed our partnership with ICBC, resulting in increased referrals. We are grateful to all partners for working alongside CERA.

In addition to operating our Empowering YOUth program in the Tri-Cities School District, CERA was delighted to extend service into New Westminister School District as well. We thank both school districts for their support. CERA also extensively increased its participation in public education initiatives. Exemplifying its leadership role in youth justice, CERA shared articles, reports, and hosted forums to educate the community on important issues.

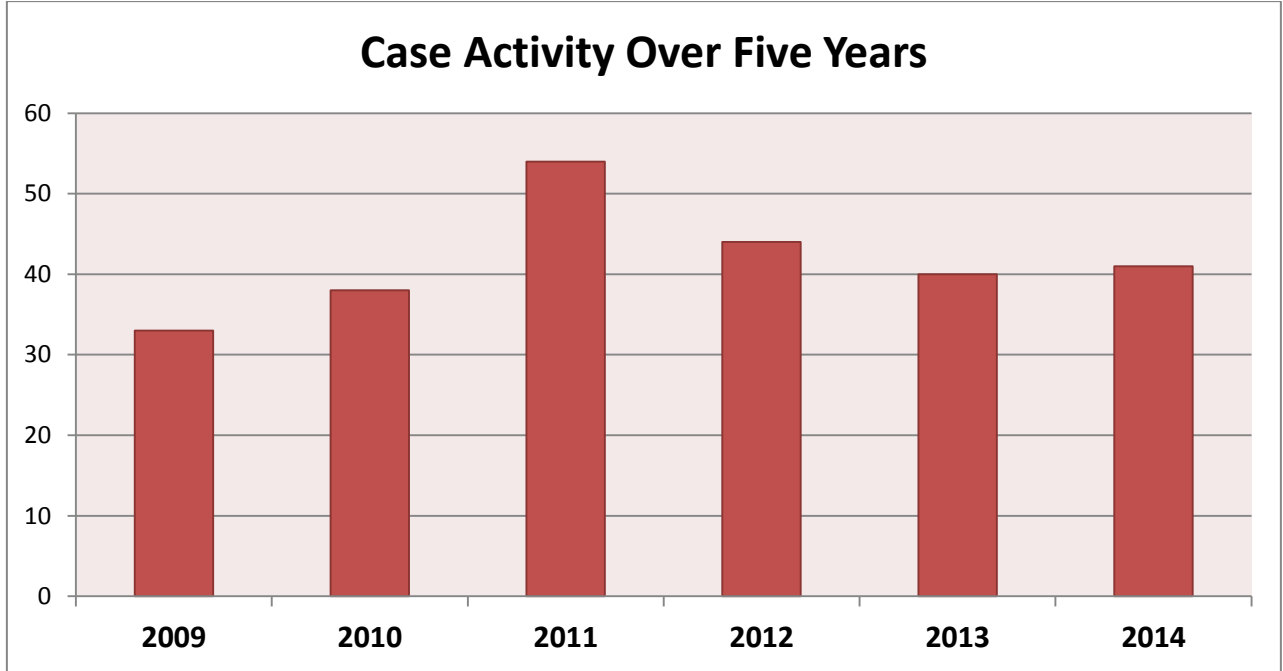
CERA is enthusiastically looking forward to continuing working with all partners in addressing crime through restorative measures, and raising awareness on issues relating to youth justice. Once again, we thank all our partners, funders, and supporters for their endless support.

Linda Western
Chair, Board of Directors

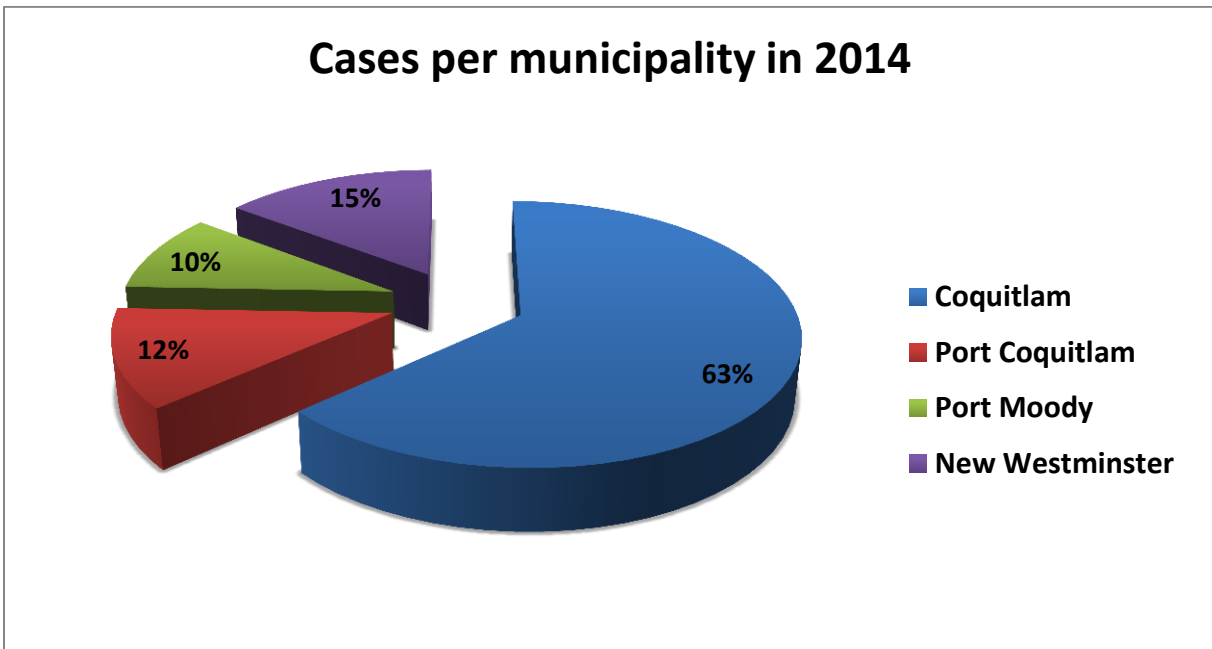
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Case Activity

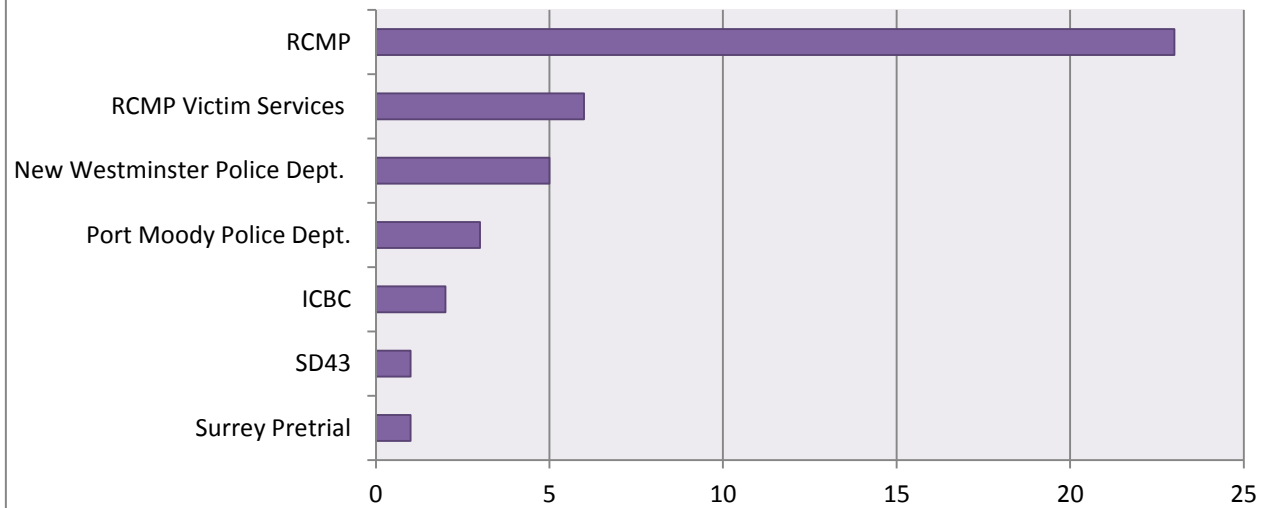
41 cases were processed by CERA in 2014.



The municipality which served to provide CERA with the highest number of referrals in 2014 was the City of Coquitlam. 63% of processed were from Coquitlam.

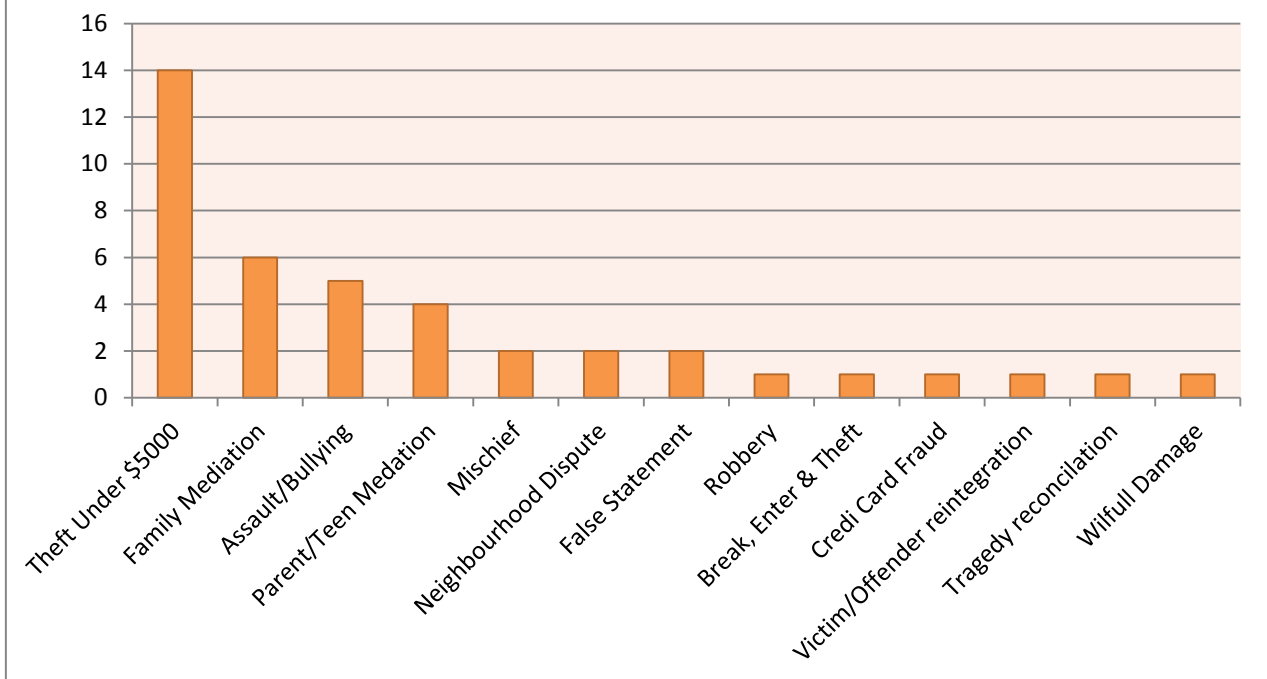


Cases per referral source in 2014



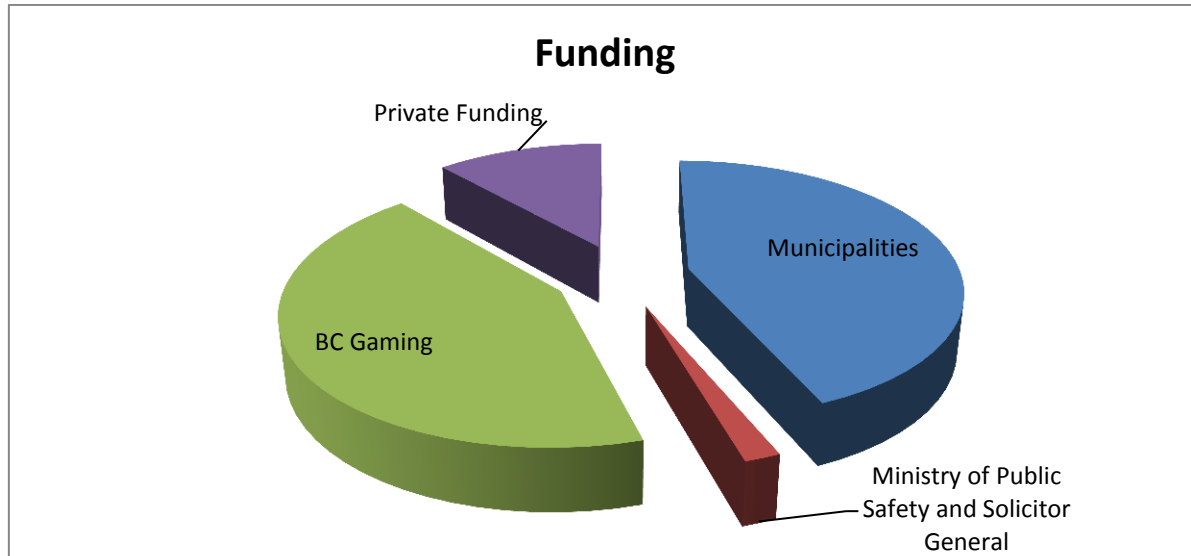
**One case from the RCMP was from Ridge Meadows RCMP. It involved a youth from Port Moody.

Case Type



Empowering YOUth

2014 was a significant year for the Empowering YOUth Program, as CERA expanded the Program from just the Tri-Cities School District to also serving the New Westminister School District. In the Tri-Cities, Peace squad training was delivered at Parkland Elementary, Blakeburn Elementary, Mary Hill Elementary, and Meadowbrook Elementary. In addition to utilizing the Peace Squad curriculum, Sharing Circles were held at Maillard Middle School. Students in New Westminister Secondary School's Planning Grade 10 classes were educated on the principles of restorative justice, conflict resolution and social responsibility.



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