

EXPANDED DEPLOYMENT OF CONDUCTED ENERGY WEAPONS

Police Services Board

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- **That the Board approve:**

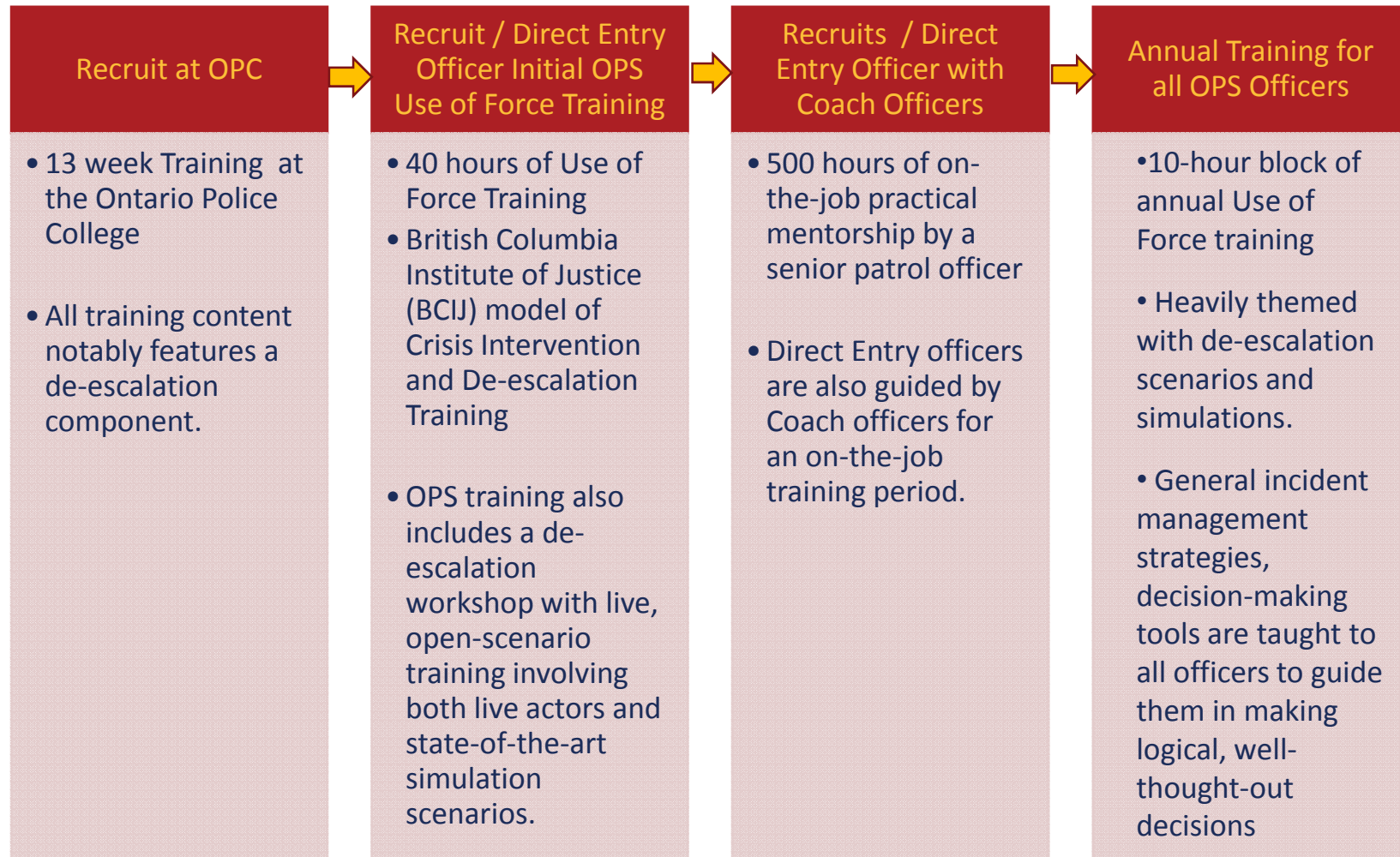
- 1) An amendment to the Board's Use of Force Policy AL-012 to replace the language in section iii as follows:**

The Chief of Police will be authorized to: Issue a conducted energy weapon (CEW) to all Sworn police officers.

- 2) The purchase of 400 CEWs from M.D. Charlton Co. Ltd. for \$1,177,776 (exclusive of taxes) for Phase 1 of the expansion plan.**

- 3) That the purchase be funded from the operating budget \$640,000 and the remainder from the fleet reserve at \$537,776**

DE-ESCALATION TRAINING



EVALUATION RESULTS

- CEWs are highly effective in preventing injury to members of the public and OPS members
- Provides an effective, non-lethal option
- Improved time-on-scene
 - § 2014= 15 minutes
 - § 2017= 5.7 minutes
- Improve reporting and analysis

CONSULTATION



- Designed to raise awareness about expansion of CEWS and de-escalation training at OPS
- Gather public and stakeholder input to guide the expansion and future training
- Face to meeting with key stakeholders and interested groups
- Online questionnaire on OPS website (March and early April 2018).
- 200 responses

KEY THEMES IN CONSULTATION



- § De-escalation training
- § Overuse or unwarranted use of CEWs
- § Use of CEWs on vulnerable populations
- § Safety /health risk of CEWs
- § Enhanced accountability measures
- § Transparency of reporting
- § Trust and confidence

CONCLUSION /RECOMMENDATION

- De-escalation is first priority- CEWs complement that approach
- CEWs are an effective tool that OPS believes should be at every call officers attend
- Expand CEW access to all sworn officers
- Performance Metric:
 - § Time-on-scene for CEW = 0 minutes

DEPLOYMENT PLAN



Timeframe	Number	Directorate
Phase 1 – 2018	400 CEWs	Frontline Directorate (FLD)
		Community Response and Frontline Support Services (CRFSS)
		Support Services Directorate (SSD)
Phase 2- 2019	400 CEWs	Training and Development Directorate (TDD)
		Criminal Investigations Directorate (CID)
		30 additional positions requested for 2019
Phase 3- 2020	250 CEWs	Corporate Services Directorate
		Executive Services Directorate (ESD)
		30 additional positions requested for 2020
On-going 2021+	30 CEWs	30 additional positions requested for 2021