

# Community Scan Survey

The purpose of the Community Scan Survey is to allow candidate Safe Communities to understand injury prevention activities that are happening locally. Please send this survey to as many community partners as possible. Each responding organization should complete one survey once. The information gathered should be used to support planning in your Safe Community. The questions below are recommended. It is the responsibility of each community to determine which method they would like to use to administer the survey and to complete analysis of the results.

## Introduction

- ◆ Include information about the Safe Communities designation program at Parachute. The following text is recommended:

Sixty-four communities in Canada have been designated as Safe Communities, with more communities seeking this designation every year. Linked to an international movement begun in 1989, Canadian Safe Communities believe that a safe life is a basic right. A designation is a public affirmation of, and testament to, a community's aspiration to create a safer life for all its citizens.

Communities who have obtained the Safe Community designation have shown considerable commitment to promoting injury prevention and safety promotion locally. They have brought together local officials from their municipalities at a leadership table, including representatives from local government, public health, police, fire and emergency services, educational institutions, local business and health and safety organizations. Designated Safe Communities have completed a formal Priority Setting Exercise and community scan, to inform their programming decisions, and they have a proven plan for sustainability.

- ◆ Include information about your candidate community
- ◆ Include information about Parachute, and your relationship with the organization. The following text is recommended:

Parachute is a national, charitable organization dedicated to preventing injuries and saving lives. Parachute officially came into being in July 2012 and unites the former organizations of Safe Communities Canada, Safe Kids Canada, SMARTRISK and ThinkFirst Canada into one leader in injury prevention. Parachute’s injury prevention solutions, knowledge mobilization, public policy, and social awareness efforts are designed to help Canadians reduce their risks of injury while achieving Parachute’s vision of an injury-free Canada where Canadians enjoy long lives lived to the fullest. For more information, visit [www.parachutecanada.org](http://www.parachutecanada.org).

## Questions

We recommend you collect the following information:

### Identifying details

1. Name of the community the organization serves.
2. Name of the organization completing the survey
3. Name of individual representative completing the survey
4. Their job title at the organization
5. Contact information, including e mail address and phone number

### Program information

Collect information on the broad topic areas the organization works in, in your instructions, let the respondent know that they can select all that apply;

Please select the topic areas that most relate to the programs your organization implements:

- ◆ On road vehicles
- ◆ Off road vehicles
- ◆ Drowning prevention
- ◆ Poison prevention

- ◆ Sports and recreation (includes cycling safety)
- ◆ Falls prevention
- ◆ Suicide/self-harm prevention
- ◆ Bullying/ mental health
- ◆ Alcohol related injuries
- ◆ Youth risk-taking
- ◆ Pedestrian injuries
- ◆ Agricultural safety
- ◆ Child Safety
- ◆ Home Safety
- ◆ Fire Safety
- ◆ Workplace Safety
- ◆ Other: please specify

For each of the topic areas selected above, please indicate the following:

- ◆ Topic area
- ◆ Name of related program
- ◆ Purpose of program
- ◆ Number of community participants in program
- ◆ How frequently this program is run
- ◆ Number of staff/volunteers involved in implementation

Please note: It is up to you how this information is collected, however, we recommend giving respondents a table to fill out, as this will facilitate your analysis. The table can be organized as follows. The filled in information is an example of how the table should be completed:

<b>Topic Area</b>		<b>Example: Drowning Prevention</b>		
<b>Program name:</b>	<b>Purpose of program:</b>	<b>Number of participants:</b>	<b>Frequency of program:</b>	<b>Number of staff required for implementation:</b>
<i>Program A – Drowning prevention</i>	<i>To present drowning prevention information to elementary school students.</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>Every Spring</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Program B</i>				
<b>Topic Area</b>		<b>Example: Home Safety</b>		
<b>Program name:</b>	<b>Purpose of program:</b>	<b>Number of participants:</b>	<b>Frequency of program:</b>	<b>Number of staff required for implementation:</b>
<i>Program A</i>				
<i>Program B</i>				

### Additional information

Please provide any additional information you'd like to share: