

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



*The winds of  
change are  
blowing strongly*

**P**olice leaders continue to navigate the challenges and the winds of change are consistent and strong. Change is constant, change is immediate, and we all can feel the strong winds in the air as we work towards continued meaningful change. Whether you see it as *'the wind being in your sails'* or *'the wind being knocked out of you'* depends a great deal on your attitude and actions.

Police leaders have repeatedly proven that we can *'adjust our course'* and *'flex with the wind'*, demonstrating resilience and adaptability in the face of adversity or opportunity, to meet the needs and expectations of the people and communities we serve.

This edition of the *CACP Bulletin* is all about the *'winds of change'* that will ultimately lead our association and our profession to progress and growth.

The first article focuses on a change in leadership for our professional association. On May 3, 2021, the CACP welcomed Ms. Aviva Rotenberg as its new Executive Director. I encourage you to take a read and get to know Aviva and her commitment to the CACP and police leadership. Please join me in welcoming her to our organization. The selection committee is confident that the CACP is in very good hands, and our future is bright.

The CACP remains concerned about our nation's readiness and preparation for the mandatory changes with the pending transition to Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG911). The NG911 enhancement will affect every community across Canada. Earlier this year, the CACP coordinated a nation-wide survey to help us assess the level of NG911 readiness of police services across Canada. Thank you to the police services who took the time to complete the questionnaire. I urge you to take the time to review the results and let us collectively commit to nation-wide action.

In closing, change is a big focus of this year's CACP Annual Conference and Trade Show. The theme for the conference is *Policing in a New Decade – Challenges and Changes* and it all begins with adopting a new and exciting event format. As for the theme, it can be hard to know *'which way the wind is blowing'*, but as police leaders it's up to us to try and anticipate what the future holds and to exert our influence in defining and determining the direction of our profession. Click on this article to learn about the new platform and online experience that awaits you.

Change may be inevitable, but progress is not. It's up to us to make it happen. With passion and purpose comes progress and the CACP is moving decisively forward to *'put the wind at our back'* and put our association and policing in a positive position.