

#### WHEATLAND COUNTY

Where There's Room to Grow



# CPTED Audit Carseland Fire Hall

Conducted on January 08-09, 2020



# Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)

- What is CPTED?
  - The science around the design and effective use of physical space to lead to a reduction in both the incidence and fear of crime.
  - CPTED seeks to reduce both opportunity and the number of targets for criminals.
  - Legitimate users of a space are actively encouraged, opportunities for observation are increased, and potential offenders are made to feel uncomfortable.

#### Process



- Background investigation
  - Known history
  - Previous victimization
  - Known issues
- Site Visit
  - Exterior examination
  - Interior examination
  - Immediate area examination
- Analysis of Findings
- Reporting

# History & Audit Catalyst

- Relevant History
  - Original Building
  - Type of structure: Quonset
  - Built in 1987
  - Houses fire apparatus, meeting room, & administration
- Catalyst for Audit
  - Break and enter/ theft of equipment: November 2019
    - Access gained through front door during the night hours
    - Local gas station victimized during same transaction
  - Theft of parts from VX vehicle in storage: January 2020

# Natural Surveillance







# Natural Surveillance: Daylight



# Natural Surveillance: Night







#### Natural Access Control

- Pertinent Roads
  - Railway Avenue
  - Main Street
- Large parking surface
  - Signed for Emergency Vehicles
  - No other defining features



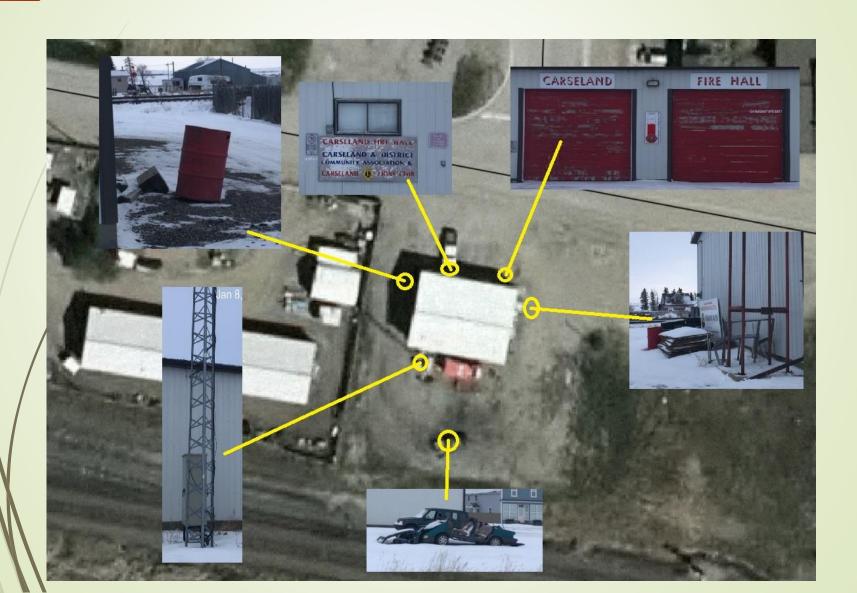
#### Territorial Reinforcement

- Signage adequate to identify building purpose
- Reinforcement: virtually none
  - No fencing on front, east side or rear of property
  - No signs on property other than the signs affixed to building identifying the building as the fire hall
  - Parking restriction signs are placed solely on the building
- Fence delineating neighbouring property on the west side
- Curb delineates road from parking lot
- Nothing visible that differentiates the neighbouring property to the east





#### Maintenance: Exterior



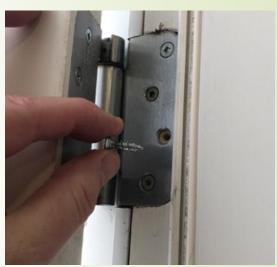
# Maintenance: Door













## Maintenance: Window







## Maintenance: Interior





# Maintenance: Overhead Doors







#### Considerations

- EXTERIOR
  - Consider improving maintenance of the building
    - Painting overhead doors and signs that are faded and chipped
    - Replace window with a more contemporary model
  - Consider improving security of the perimeter of building
    - Replace hollow exterior door with solid core door
    - Strengthen door security by using more robust screws
    - Increase intensity of current exterior light
    - Install lighting for the remaining perimeter
  - Consider securing access to the critical infrastructure
    - Install protective fencing around the communications tower
  - Consider improving the territorial reinforcement of the property
    - Install fencing or decorative vegetation
- INTERIOR
  - Consider installing motion sensor light for the immediate entrance
  - Consider installing automatic overhead door opener