**Police Duty Vests**

1. **Background**
* On-duty neck, back and hip injuries were costing the CMPA an average of $250,000 every year
* Preventive Strategy vs. Reactive Strategy =
Transfer weight of equipment from Duty Belt to Duty Vest
* 100% decrease in neck, back and hip claims for those utilizing the Duty Vests
1. **Here’s How It Worked For Us**
* Survey
* Research
* Training
* Pilot Program
1. **Communication**
* Public Information Presentations
* Flyers provided background, functionality and benefits of the vests
1. **Consensus**
2. **Implementation**
3. **Learn More**

Outlines of training and usage guidelines can be accessed on the Bickmore Risk Control website at [http://riskcontrol.bickmore.net](http://riskcontrol.bickmore.net/) or by contacting:

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