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While conventional understanding is that the Police role is often primarily enforcement, the Saint John Police Force practice is so much more. This is illustrated in the Police Force Core Values, and in the Intelligence-led Policing business model.

The Core Values are: Crime Prevention, Emergency Response, Law enforcement, Victim Services, and Public Order. The Intelligence-led Policing business model focuses on crime reduction, addressing the root causes of crimes in order to prevent future victimization. The descriptive by-line used is '*Intelligence-led Policing: Law Enforcement whenever necessary, but not necessarily Law Enforcement.*' Not a conventional description of policing, but certainly a perspective that captures the system-view necessary to address difficult issues like family violence.

The Force is one of the first in Canada, having been established in 1849. Their Family Protection Unit was the first in New Brunswick, established in 1988 and incorporating the Youth Unit in 1992. The Force used Alternate Measures with discretion and successfully, long before it was enshrined in the Youth Criminal Justice Act...it was just the right thing to do. Their Family Protection Unit was an early innovator, introducing many positive measures such as police/social worker joint interviews and integration with SART nurses (Sexual Response Team). They were also the first in the Province to audio and video record interviews.

While police have a primary responsibility for the investigative role, they recognize that Family Protection is first-and-foremost about relationships, relationships with victims and their families; relationships with service providers such as Hestia House; and relationships with others in the criminal justice system.

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