

## Counterfeit Currency in Cochrane

*April 7, 2016*

On April 7th 2016 Cochrane RCMP received multiple complaints from local businesses in Cochrane suspecting three people using Counterfeit currency. An immediate response by Police resulted in the vehicle matching the description provided by witnesses be located and stopped in the parking lot of Cochrane Shoppers Drug mart. Three individuals were arrested and a subsequent search revealed additional counterfeit currency including a Canadian \$100 bill, 3 counterfeit American 20\$ bills and several counterfeit Canadian \$50 dollar bills. A small amount of what Police believe to be methamphetamine was also seized. The following individuals are facing multiple offences for possession and uttering counterfeit currency, and possession of methamphetamine.

Jason SOROCHINSKI age 31 of Calgary

Gina SOROCHINSKI age 33 of Calgary

Teri MACHINSKINIC age 19 of Calgary

The counterfeit bills are of poor quality. The suspects indicated that Cochrane businesses were specifically targeted and believed the counterfeit currency would be more easily accepted in Cochrane versus businesses in the city of Calgary. Police encourage businesses to educate their employees on prevention of this type of crime. The bank of Canada offers information on prevention at [www.bankofcanada.ca](http://www.bankofcanada.ca).

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