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Game Changer

# Newsletter

Changing the game to enrich communities

## From the editor

With eight months to go, the Game Changer teams in the provincial departments are working flat out in order to achieve their goals.

Here are some of the highlights for August and September.

You can visit the [Game Changer website](#) to find out more.



## Town 2 security cameras lead to two arrests

Two suspects were arrested in August after being spotted by the teams monitoring the 8 high-mast security cameras in Town 2, Khayelitsha. These were installed last December under the Alcohol Harms Reduction Game Changer in order to increase safety in the area.

The team spotted two young men smoking what appeared to be dagga and alerted the law enforcement officers deployed in the area.

When they arrived on the scene, the suspects tried to flee but were successfully

apprehended by the officers.

The pair were found to be in the possession of dagga and mandrax and were arrested and handed over to the Harare SAPS.

This follows the arrest in July of 2 males who robbed a woman. The crime was also detected by one of the security cameras and law enforcement responded immediately.

The provincial government will continue working with law enforcement agencies and the community to make the area safer.



## Launch of new skateboard park

A second skateboard park has opened in Atlantis at Saxonsea Secondary School.

This follows the opening of the first park at Reygersdal Primary School in May.

The After School Game Changer has partnered with the NGO Indigo Youth Movement to build the two skateboard parks, as part of efforts to improve the quality of after school programmes in Atlantis, Mamre and Pella, in partnership with the City of Cape Town.

The parks are open everyday from 2 to 5pm and are manned by trained instructors.

Learners are provided with safety gear and programming is offered in stages and always supervised to ensure learners learn how to skate safely.

These parks were only possible because of the commitment of the principals at both schools and the strong partnerships we have formed with the NGO sector and the City of Cape Town under the Game Changer.



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## Smart Classrooms installed in schools

The eLearning Game Changer aims to prepare young people for the 21st century by introducing technology in our classrooms.

There has been a major investment in improving digital infrastructure at schools with the following delivered to date:

- 338 schools have a local area network connecting all classrooms to the internet
- 1244 schools have central venues connected to the internet for learners and teachers
- 6421 smart classrooms have been installed;
- 705 Slim IT Labs have been rolled out and;
- 28 871 learners devices delivered.

We are also providing ICT training to teachers on an ongoing basis.



## Solar PV kicking off this month

**GO SOLAR. THE BEST WAY TO SAVE UNDER THE SUN.**



Encouraging businesses to install small scale embedded Solar PV is a major focus of the Energy Security Game Changer.

It is now legal in 22 municipalities to connect rooftop solar PV to the electricity grid. Sixteen of these municipalities have nationally approved tariffs in place, meaning users can be compensated for feeding their surplus power back into the municipal electricity grid.

We launched the next phase of our communications campaign in September, which highlights the continuously improving business case for installing Solar PV to companies.

