



MULTI-AGENCY DELIVERY ACTION MECHANISM

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Provincial Anti-Rape Forum meeting paves the way forward for a coordinated Anti-Rape strategy to reduce rape in the Western Cape Province

Provincial Anti-Rape Strategy on the Cards

In order to reach the Western Cape Government's vision of a "Home for All" a coordinated approach is needed to address rape, substance abuse, domestic violence, drugs & gangsterism. It is the responsibility of MADAM and all the relevant role players to ensure the Western Cape becomes "A safer Home for ALL" for everyone.

In a MADAM (Multi-Agency Delivery Action Mechanism) Management Committee meeting that was held on 06 May 2005, the Western Cape Provincial Police Commissioner Mzwandile Petros acknowledged that rape and child abuse remain a big challenge. "It is for this reason that the Department of Community Safety is continuing its work of mobilizing the communities to break the silence". The South African Police Services recommended that a

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summit be hosted and that the Department of Community Safety (MADAM secretariat) be the coordinator. Minister Ramatlakane addressed about 100 delegates at the two-day summit that took place at the Holiday Inn Garden Court Hotel in Cape Town on the 23rd - 24th June 2005. Delegates who attended the Anti-Rape Summit came from the South African Police Services, National Prosecuting Authority, HOD's of the nine Provincial Government Departments,

Non-Governmental Organisations and private institutions.

Western Cape Minister for Community Safety Leonard Ramatlakane called on delegates at the Provincial Anti-Rape Summit in Cape Town to "come up with a workable strategy that will help children and women to have the courage to report crimes of rape and sexual abuse"

Recommendations were made at the summit that a Provincial Anti-Rape Forum dealing with the rape problem in the Western Cape Province be established. The Forum conducted meetings and workshops whereby action and operational plans from different role players were submitted. A Provincial Anti-Rape Strategy was coordinated.

The premise of the Provincial Anti-Rape Strategy is aligned to the National Anti-Rape Strategy of the National Prosecuting Authority, which is the lead department. The Anti-Rape Strategy has been forwarded to the MEC for approval.

FOREWORD **by the** Director General

The Multi-Agency Delivery Action Mechanism, MADAM, provides an ideal platform where Provincial Government Departments, together with key stakeholders and the private sector discuss transversal issues. MADAM promotes inter-governmental relations, integrated planning, development and implementation.

The Provincial Department of Community Safety currently manages the MADAM structure as a coordinating institutional mechanism to facilitate multi-sectoral interventions. The primary function of MADAM is to coordinate, develop and implement social crime prevention programmes in partnership with organs of the civil society, which addresses the root cause of crime. MADAM has an excellent track record for the monitoring and co-ordination of inter-governmental policies, strategies and structures. The MADAM structure and its task teams have succeeded in coordinating integrated crime prevention strategies through the establishment of the Provincial Anti-Rape

Forum and development of the Provincial Anti-Rape Strategy which is linked to the National Anti-Rape Strategy.

MADAM is seen as a best practice model by other provinces as well as at the national government. MADAM will continue to focus on the identification of clear and targeted projects aimed at stabilizing communities and alleviating poverty. MADAM will thus be looking at the integration of National and Provincial projects to prevent duplication and will have quarterly targets against specific objectives. This will ensure an end to a silo mentality in service delivery.



Dr Gilbert Lawrence
DIRECTOR GENERAL: WESTERN CAPE

Sport for an active and healthy Western Cape

The Department of Sport and Cultural Affairs Task team have co-ordinated workshops for Sport codes coaches.

The events were conducted in four areas i.e. Khayelitsha, Boland, Vredenburg and SWD area. The coaches were empowered with safety precaution measures in sport injuries and HIV/AIDS in sport. The Project has provided historically disadvantaged communities with the opportunity to improve their health and welfare. The Task Team aims to promote structural mass participation in sport and recreation.



The project developed a skill pool of administrators, athletes, coaches and technical officials. It also ensured a promotion of physically active lifestyles and presentation of education and awareness campaigns in communities. The purpose of the workshops was to bring about awareness raising in the following aspects: HIV and Aids, substance abuse and abstinence, anti-doping control programme, first aid and fitness assessment programmes.

Tygerberg CSF celebrate *Women's Day* in Khayelitsha



The Community Safety Forum's (CSF) function as a government-driven mechanism that facilitate and co-ordinate the implementation of multi-agency crime prevention initiatives, both law enforcement and social crime prevention at local level.

The Department of Community Safety has allocated funds for the implementation of CSF projects. The Tygerberg Central Community Safety Forum hosted a women's day celebration on National Women's Day, 08th August 2005. Two thousand women attended the event to celebrate, acknowledge and embrace those women who exceptionally contributed to the eradication of crime in their areas. These women were identified by the Departments within the Criminal Justice Cluster

for their outstanding assistance and contributions to the eradication of crime. The event also celebrated the 50 years existence of the Freedom Charter and the role played by women and their contribution they made to it. HIV/AIDS was one of the focus points that was highlighted at the event. The MEC for Community Safety acknowledged the survivors of rape abuse and domestic violence. The project was supported by SAPS and various other government departments that are presently participating in CSF.



The CLOCK IS TIKKING and THE RACE AGAINST TIME

The CLOCK IS TIKKING and RACE AGAINST TIME became a drama-in-education project over the entire June school holidays for 10 schools. The issues surrounding the scourge of tik and racism in our schools were tackled in a very unique fashion with the participation of 20 learners - 2 from each of the 10 schools.

The project was basically to utilize the under-utilized tool of theatre to "teach" youth about the dangers of tik and racism. The premise being that one can educate through entertainment, hence the term "edutainment".

The project ran from June 27 to July 22. There was three weeks of training and development (27 June to 15 July) and one week of performing at the ten participating schools (18 to 22 July). The successful launch of this prestigious project was on 28 July 2005. It was attended by Premier Rasool, UN delegates and MEC's Dugmore; Uys and Ramatlakane. They felt that this kind of project is one that can make a difference in our schools, and communities in general.

The project reached about 4000 learners and it was very well received at the participating schools.

The media was also very interested in this project. It was broadcasted on prime time news, late news and early morning television news (flighted three times). It was the talk of the town on P4 radio (the official media sponsor), Cape Talk and SAfm for the entire month of June. It was advertised in all the newspapers (Cape Argus, Cape Times and Community Newspapers).



Beaufort West ROCKS

On Friday, 11 November 2005 DECAS successfully completed a "Cultural Evening on Performing Arts against Crime & Drug Abuse", one of the programs on Multi-Agency Delivery Action Mechanism (MADAM) in Beaufort West. This program aimed at prioritizing the provision of youth development programs in this community.

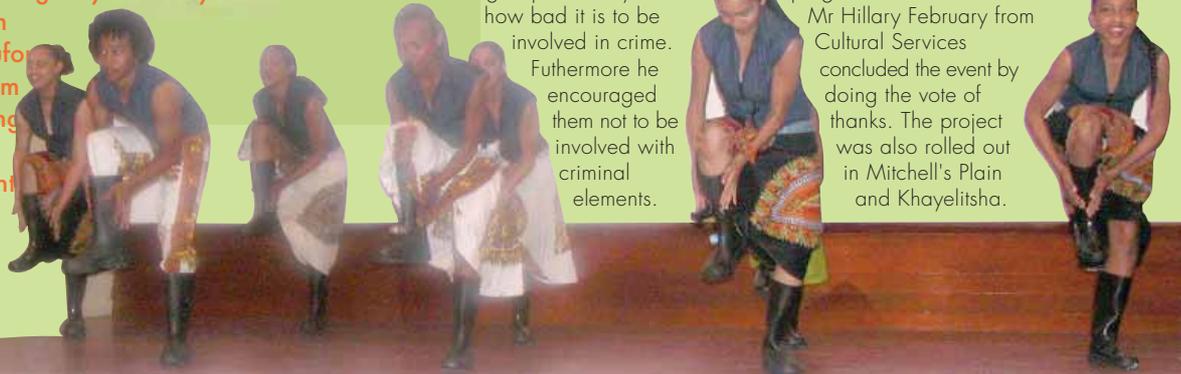
The objective of the event was to find ways on how culture can be used to combat or eradicate crime in our communities. The event took place at the Multi-Purpose Community Centre (MPCC). It was well attended by the youth, elderly and respected community leaders. The programme commenced at 18h00 and was concluded at 23h00.

During his opening, Mr. A Appies placed a strong emphasis on youth on how bad it is to be involved in crime. Futhermore he encouraged them not to be involved with criminal elements.

The Beaufort West organizations showcased their talents through groups such as: Creative Dance School, Wanda, Conquoirs Choir, Def Squad, Gum Boots Dancers, The Voice Choir, You and I Dance School and Brazilian United Stars. Pastor Williams was the keynote speaker and he expressed the gratitude of the Beaufort West community when he thanked DECAS and in particular project leader

Mr. Thandwa Ntshona for presenting the program in Beaufort West.

Mr Hillary February from Cultural Services concluded the event by doing the vote of thanks. The project was also rolled out in Mitchell's Plain and Khayelitsha.



Bambanani Paddle Together Program



"Changing the face of water sport in the Western Cape and making it more accessible to the broader community, is what the Outrigger Outreach Paddle Together Program is all about" says Head Coach Nigel Reynolds, a former Australian Sports Team member & International competitor.

Over the past 2 years, the program has blossomed with the support of the Bambanani Summer Program and has reached over 20,000 Youth at Risk in the Western Cape, from Plettenberg Bay on the East Coast, to the Cape Metro and as far as Vredendal on the West Coast.

Reynolds said International research has shown that this program reawakes the creativity of young people and develops within them self-esteem, giving them the will to say no to crime, drugs and other abusive behaviour.

During the recent Bambanani Summer Program, the foundation celebrated the launch at Camps Bay Beach and it was attended by the MEC for Community Safety, Leonard Ramatlakane. The launch was to commemorate the sponsorship of three new canoes by Bambanani Community Safety Social Crime Prevention and making history was the new training partnership between the Chrysalis Academy and the Outrigger For Good Foundation.

The Department of Community Safety funded the training of 21 new instructors in vital life skills, beach and open water risk management, planning, teaching, communication skills and equipment management. The symbolic ribbon cutting by the MEC Leonard Ramatlakane was followed by the certificate ceremony, which was attended by CEO of Chrysalis Academy Mrs Nomfundo Matros. She witnessed the handing over of the Instructor accreditation certificates to the candidates who completed the course that was presented just prior to the Summer Program. The graduates were immediately given an opportunity to use their newly acquired skills in the Summer Program and to make much needed income over the holiday season. Mr. Reynolds thanked the Department of Community Safety for their contribution to making a difference to the youth at risk in the Western Cape and they look forward to continued support.

Outrigger Canoeing is currently the Worlds fastest growing water sport with over 50% participation being female.

The program objective is to roll out the Paddle Together Program to all Communities in the Western Cape, placing more canoes with instructors and offering not only outreach to the Youth, but also to the broader community including women, and Tourism initiatives, thereby also giving employment and sustainability to the program.



THE President's Award



The President's Awards is an organisation working with young people in South Africa that was introduced to South African prisons in 1994.

The Reintegration And Diversion for Youth (READY) Programme is rooted within the Department of Correctional Services facilities, including prisons and places of Safety. Prisoners are empowered with business skills, computers, banner-making, fabric-painting or brick laying skills to develop them to their full potential to become responsible, contributing and caring members of society.

In October 2005, 6 inmates from Drakenstein Prison who are Gold Award participants on The President's Award READY Program. They had a unique opportunity to take part in a 4 day community service project along side 9 Gold Award participants from Kenya and over 30 Award participants from the Boland area. The involvement in a project like this is a requirement for the Gold Level of this international Award programme and for the inmates, Kenyans and the Boland participants alike, it was a wonderful opportunity to work together on a community service project.

The group was based at Drakenstein Prison and each day spent a full day at the Drakenstein Day Care Centre where they did maintenance work on the building and grounds. In the words of one participant: "I would like to thank you very much for setting up this wonderful and once-in-a-life-time experience. I really enjoyed being able to interact with other people that I would usually try to avoid. I especially enjoyed participating with the young offenders. I found that they were the most committed to the project". The Deputy Minister of Correctional Services, Ms Cheryl Gillwald, was very encouraged by the experience for the inmates, "This feedback is so fabulous. Congratulations – your efforts are inspiring". The group also spent an afternoon at the Wellington Youth Centre engaging in interactive games with Award participants at the Centre.



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