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March 2017 to June 2017

Communities need to know more about services due to them by the government of South africa, which is why the department of social development is making an effort to communicate these services on various radio stations on a regular basis.

Media House	Date	Time	Topic
VoH	13 Mar	19:00	Early Childhood Development Centres
K - Radio	15 Mar	18:00	Early Childhood Development Centres
VoC	16 Mar	10:00	Care and Services to Older Persons
VoH	20 Mar	19:00	Probation Services/ Crime Prevention and Support
K - Radio	22 Mar	18:00	Probation Services/ Crime Prevention and Support
VoC	23 Mar	10:00	Youth Development
VoH	27 Mar	19:00	Domestic Violence
K - Radio	29 Mar	18:00	Domestic Violence
VoC	30 Mar	10:00	Early Childhood Development Centres
VoH	03 Apr	19:00	Services to families
K - Radio	05 Apr	18:00	Services to families
VoC	06 Apr	10:00	Probation Services/ Crime Prevention and Support
VoH	10 Apr	19:00	Probation Services/ Crimes Prevention and Support
K - Radio	12 Apr	18:00	Probation Services/ Crimes Prevention and Support
VoC	06 Apr	10:00	Probation Services/ Crime Prevention and Support
VoH	17 Apr	19:00	Services to persons with disabilities
K - Radio	19 Apr	18:00	Services to persons with disabilities
VoC	20 Apr	10:00	Services to families
VoH	24 Apr	19:00	HIV and AIDS
K - Radio	26 Apr	18:00	HIV and AIDS
K - Radio	03 May	19:00	Domestic Violence
VoC	04 May	18:00	Probation Services/ Crimes Prevention and Support
VoH	08 May	19:00	Child Protection Week

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These radio talkshows are aimed at giving communities a platform to interact with development on various services and programmes

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Media House	Date	Time	Topic
K - Radio	10 May	18:00	Child Protection Week
VoC	11 May	10:00	Child Protection Week
VoH	15 May	19:00	2017/18 Policy and Budget Speech
K - Radio	17 May	18:00	2017/18 Policy and Budget Speech
VoC	18 May	10:00	2017/18 Policy and Budget Speech
VoH	22 May	19:00	Services to Victims
K - Radio	24 May	18:00	Care and Services to Older Persons
VoC	25 May	10:00	Domestic Violence
VoH	29 May	19:00	Child Protection Week
K - Radio	31 May	18:00	Child Protection Week
VoC	01June	10:00	Child Protection Week
VoH	05 June	19:00	Substance Abuse
K - Radio	07 June	18:00	Substance Abuse
VoC	08 June	10:00	Care and Services to Older Persons
VoH	12 June	19:00	Services to Victims
K - Radio	14 June	18:00	Registering an NPO
VoC	15 June	10:00	Care and Services to Older Persons
VoH	19 June	19:00	Registering an NPO
K - Radio	21 June	18:00	Poverty Alleviation and Sustainable Livelihood
VoC	22 June	10:00	Substance Abuse
VoH	26 June	19:00	Poverty Alleviation and Sustainable Livelihood
K - Radio	28 June	18:00	Dialogues on teenage Pregnancy

You are encouraged to call for more information concerning the topic of that day for more questions and clarity during the show or you can comment on our facebook page (Mpumalanga Department of Social Development)

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Mission

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To provide equitable, integrated and quality sustainable social development services in partnership with all stakeholders to eradicate poverty and protect vulnerable groups in all communities of Mpumalanga

Vision

A caring, humane and developed society.

Values

We as a department ascribe to the following values:

Ubuntu	Pertains to the humane spirit in which people are to be treated	
Integrity	Pertains to the integrity of employees	
Respect	Pertains to the respect for self, fellow employees and also to the clients that we serve	
Honesty	Pertains to the honesty we expect the employees in the department	
Professionalism	Pertains to the performance and conduct of staff.	
Service Excel- lence	Pertains to the level and quality of service expected by the people of Mpumalanga.	
Efficiency	Pertains to the quality of service and effectiveness in rendering services by the employees	

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WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT DISABILITY AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

NEW DEFINITION OF DISABILITY

Disability is the loss or elimination of opportunities to take part in the life of the community, equitably with others that is encountered by persons having physical, sensory, psychological, developmental, learning, neurological or other impairments, which may be permanent, temporary, or episodic in nature, thereby causing activity limitations and participation restriction with the mainstreamed society.



OFFICE ON THE STATUS OF DISABLED PERSONS (OSDP)

This Office was established to represent and protect the Rights of Persons with Disabilities from discriminatory laws and legislative frameworks and to ensure that persons with disabilities access equal opportunities from services provided by government departments/ Municipalities and to some extend the private sector.

Γ	NO.	USED TERM	CORRECT TERM
TERMINOLOGIES DISABILITY	1	Physically challenged	Person with disability
SA	2	Wheelchair- bound	Wheelchair-user
	3	Handicapped	Disability
ЦЩ.	4	Patient	Customer/ Client
0	5	Diabetic	Person with diabetes
5	6	Deaf and dumb	Deaf people
Ž	7	Mongol	Down Syndrome
N S	8	Insane, mentally retarded	Mental/ Intellectual disability
Ë	9	Epileptic	Person with epilepsy
	10	Dwarf	Short status
	11	Paraplegic	Man/ woman with paraplegic

FOCUS AREAS FOR DISABILITY MAINSTREAMING

Employment of Persons with disabilities Skills development Education Early Childhood Development Accessibility of infrastructure Economic empowerment of persons with disabilities Access to information Reasonable accommodation at work Accessible and affordable houses Assistive devices Accessible transport facilities Recreational facilities Sporting facilities Disability Focal Persons

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Editorial

Note from the editor

Ronnie Masilela: Head of Communications for the Department of Social Development

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Welcome back!!!

Ta Nhluvuko is the name of the official newsletter of the Mpumalanga Department of Social Development. This is the last edition of Ta Nhluvuko in the 2016/ 2017 financial year which ends on 31 March 2017.

The month of April presents a new platform on which efforts to build a caring, humane and developed society are doubled. On this month, a financial year starts. Priorities and plans are implemented to deliver comprehensive social development services to the people of Mpumalanga – the Province of the Rising Sun in line with agreement entered into by the people and the ruling Government.

As the mandate of the department instructs, Social Development will continue to serve vulnerable groups with distinction and high speed. Services targeting these groups include amongst others– services to children including the acceleration and expansion of early childhood development services; development of young people and linking them with employment and self-employment opportunities; empowering women, persons with disability and the elderly; fight drugs and substance abuse and strengthen families as a basic unit that moulds individuals.

This publication covers the work of the department from October 2016 to February 2017. Important information on some of the critical services such as substance abuse, foster care, disability and others is also contained in this publication.

The department is of the firm view that you will find this publication and the contents thereof valuable as we move aggressively towards 'an inclusive and responsive social protection system for all.'

Your comments are always welcome. Please make them known to us.

God Bless & Happy reading!

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Children from ECD Centres showcashing talents at the ECD awards

Mpumalanga Provincia Early Childhood Development (ECD) Awards

Early Childhood Development (ECD) remains the most powerful base and foundation on which the bright future of children is laid. The National Development Agency (NDA) one of the two agencies of the department of Social Development hosted the annual Provincial ECD Awards on Monday, 27 February 2017 in at Chill Pepper Boutique Hotel, Riverside under the City of Mbombela Local Municipality. The awards were aimed at recognising the best ECD centre of the year which was won by Khayelihle Pre School represented by Ms. Betty Meisie Mahlangu from Siyabuswa under Dr JS Moroka Local municipality. The second recognised category was the ECD practitioner of the year which was awarded to Progress Day Care represented by Ms. Margareth Ntombifuthi Mtsweni of Secunda under the Dipaleseng Local Municipality.

All those who could not make it are encouraged to put in more effort and do it again this year so that they can stand a better chance of winning.

The winners will represent Mpumalanga in the National ECD Awards which will be



One of the receivers of ECD Awards receiving certificate

held before June 2017.

Key stakeholders such the Departments of Health and Education, NPOs and other organisations continue to ensure that quality ECD Services are delivered to children in all corners of the Province.

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Ms. Busisiwe Paulina Shiba MEC for Social Development in Mpumalanga

As we build a, humane, caring and developed society

We are once again excited to reach you through this important platform. Here, we highlight key achievements and plan of action in the journey towards the year 2030.

Ours as Social Development is to facilitate outcome 13 of the 14 National Government Outcomes which is also chapter 11 of the National

Development Plan. Outcome 13 says "an inclusive and responsive social protection". As the ANC-led government we do our work in partnership with all stakeholders, sponsors and communities in general.

Looking back at the 2016/ 2017 financial year, one remains encouraged by the support and partnership that the department has enjoyed in changing the lives for the better. Fully furnished centres

were constructed and handed over. Families and NPOs were strengthened and capacitated.

Looking into the future, we commit not to deviate from the agreement that we have entered into with the people of Mpumalanga which is tirelessly and courteously deliver comprehensive social development services with our two agencies; SASSA and the NDA. I therefore call on the business sector, media and community members to partner with us as we deliver a message of hope and development to all areas in Mpumalanga.

We will keep the momentum and never regress. The ability and willingness to excel in everything we do is still intact.

We further commit to timeously deal with any problem

that community members may encounter in the line of receiving services from our offices and centres. I have started and will continue with a programme of visiting offices and centres unannounced to get first-hand information and experience at the grass root level.

I am convinced that together with community structures, individuals and all other stakeholders we will handle any challenge that will come our way. Let us all remain focused as we all work towards one goal of a caring, humane

and developed society. A society free of poverty, abuse and drugs amongst other social ills.

May we look after one another and report incidences of abuse, neglect and exploitation. Let us protect and value all children, older persons and persons with disabilities.

God bless!

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SERVICES AND SUPPORT FOR NON PROFIT ORGANISATIONS (NPOs)

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Institutional Capacity Building and Support (ICBS)

SERVICES RENDERED BY ICBS OFFICE Facilitate the implementation of the NPO Act 71 of 1997 Providing information on how to register Provide the application form, model of constitution Register organisations as NPO on -line Follow-up with National NPO Registration Directorate of progress on applications Receive and manage the distribution of NPO Certificate to NPO members C Support NPO to comply with the NPO Act by facilitating the following Receive and check completeness of annual reports from NPOs Submit annual reports for NPOs on-line Print acknowledgement letters of reports submitted and give to NPO members Update NPO information /details of NPOs on the on-line system D Provide capacity building to NPOs with emphasis to amongst others on the following NPO Act Attend to gueries on NPO matters from NPOs ,communities ,government departments Ε and agencies , Private Sector , donors and other stakeholders who have interest in NPOs Manage and maintain NPO database on all registered NPOs in The Province • Coordinate the operations on the 19 NPO Help Desks for NPO on-line services Advocate for compliance with the NPO Act through NPO Forums Conduct NPO Roadshows in Municipalities in the three districts in partnership with the National NPO Directorate For 2017 Activity Target 4500 1. NPOs capacitated 2. Organisations assisted with registration as NPOs 700 3. NPOs supported to comply with the NPO Act 3910 4. Roadshow conducted 12

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GONSULATION ON SOCIAL SERVICES DELIVERY TAKES CENTER STAGE AT STANDERTON

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UNANNOUNCED VISITS TO OFFICES AND CENTRES BY MEC SHIBA

he idea of believing everything that is written down is not always a good one. Customer satisfaction being one of the key goals in the process of providing services also requires a great deal of interaction. This is also in line with the Batho Pele Principles which are aimed at putting people first.



MEC BP Shiba interacting with service users at a SASSA service centre



MEC BP Shiba and centre manager addressing issues with service users at SASSA service centre



MEC BP Shiba interacting with service users

MEC Busisiwe Shiba encourages a process of getting first-hand information, interact with communities and see things that happen on the ground. She leads by example as she randomly selects offices and centres which she visits unannounced.

This is proving to work better as community members get an opportunity to voice their views and explain their experiences when visiting Social Development offices and centres.

Some of the sites visited unannounced thus far include; Marapyane office, Elukwatini office, Carolina office, Swartfontein Treatment Centre, Swalala Office, Msogwaba Office, Standerton Office and many ECD construction sites. At one of the sites, MEC Busisiwe Shiba once said that "the Batho Pele principles assist in keeping high levels of courtesy in the public sector. Batho Pele is not an "add-on" activity; it is a way of delivering services by putting citizens at the centre of public service planning and operations. It is a major departure from a dispensation, which excluded the majority of South Africans from government machinery to the one that seeks to include all citizens for the achievement of a better-life-for-all through services, products, and programmes of a democratic dispensation."

Any office and centre can at any time have the MEC coming in to witness the manner in which services are provided including the treatment of community members and assess if day to day challenges are timeously and effectively addressed



MEC BP Shiba interacting with service users



Batho Pele (People First) principles are aimed at giving guidance to all government officials or service providers a directive on how to improve service delivery and building good human relations. They are designed to keep receivers of service happy and satisfied at all times and maintaining good image of the government

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positive response.

You are entitled to receive It is your constitutional right

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Coutesy charter is aimed at giving guidance to all government officials or service providers a directive on how to improve interaction with government services users, improving service delivery and building good human relations. They are designed to keep receivers of service happy and satisfied at all times and maintaining good image of the government



Staff members shall greet all customers in a friendly and respectful manner.



Staff members shall identify themselves by name when dealing with customers, be it in person, telephonically or in writing.



Staff members shall ensure that the style and tone of written and verbal communication is acceptable and polite.

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Staff members shall ensure that inquiries are promptly attended to.

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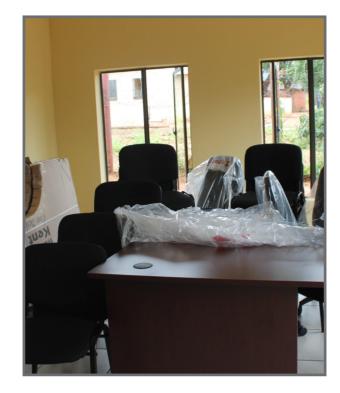
Customers with special needs, such as the elderly or infirm and persons with disabilities, shall be treated with care and consideration based on the fundamental principle of human dignity and equality.



Ensuring Quality Infrastructure And Accessible Social Services In Communities

A furnished state of the art service centre for older persons opened at Umjindi

Older persons continue to suffer in the hands of family members as well as community members and structures. The fact that one has lived for so many years and that some are even placed at residential care facilities does not dimish their rights in any way. Every person including the elderly have the right to freedom and respect as well as the right to be treated fairly by others. Older persons deserve better treatment by all. ۲



a positive, caring and supportive attitude towards older persons for them to feel wanted, respected and play an integral part in society.

These are some discussions which MEC Busisiwe Shiba had with community members at Umjindi under the City of Mbombela Local Municipality when opening and handing over furniture to Sikhulile Mhola Service Centre – a centre for older persons.

Ehlanzeni District Municipality, the City of Mbombela Local Municipality, Nkosi Traditional Authority, National Lotteries Commission, Barberton Mines, SAPPI, Lakesure and Vakasha Travel and Tours are some of the key stakeholders who graced and sponsored the event, construction of building as well as furnishing it.

MEC Shiba emphasised on the fact that older persons too, must enjoy human rights and that their rights must be respected. The rights that an elderly person has in terms of the Older Persons Act supplement the rights that an elderly person has in terms of the Bill of Rights.

The Older Persons Act highlights the fact that older persons too enjoy rights as contemplated in section 9 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and they indicate that older persons may not be unfairly denied the right to;

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- Participate in community life in any position appropriate to his or her interest and capabilities;
- Participate in inter-generational programmes;
- Establish and participate in structures and associations for older persons;
- Participate in activities that enhance his or her income generating capacity;
- Live in an environment catering for his or her changing capacities; and
- Access opportunities that promote his or her optimal level of social, physical, mental and emotional well-being.

MEC Shiba said as she concluded her speech "Ladies and gentlemen, as the ANC –led



government we want to see older persons staying at their houses with their families until their last breathe. However, some circumstances force them to be accommodated at residential care facilities. In this regard, I call on all people of the Province to consider themselves lucky if they have Gogo noma Mkhulu in their household. This is becoming a rare and scarce resources in our communities. We therefore should not view the elderly as only vulnerable people but we need to promote active ageing which makes them live meaningful lives."

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ERADICATING POVERTY





"One Government Facility, One Public Facility, One Household, One food Garden" as the fight on poverty is intensified

he 17th of October has been declared as the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty in all countries, particularly in developing countries as stipulated in resolution 47/196 of the General Assembly.

ONE FAMILY AT A TIME

This day has become one of the priorities of development considering that the promotion of the eradication of poverty and destitution requires public awareness. Under the theme "One Government Facility, One Public Facility, One Household, One food Garden" the Department of Social Development with government agencies, Gert Sibande District Municipality, Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality and other stakeholders observed this day at Ekulindeni Township under Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality on Friday, 28 October 2016.

MEC Busisiwe Shiba handed over a number of items to various groups including; vanity packs to people with albinism; blankets and goodies to the elderly; food parcels to the needy households; school uniforms to needy learners and equipment to various NPOs.







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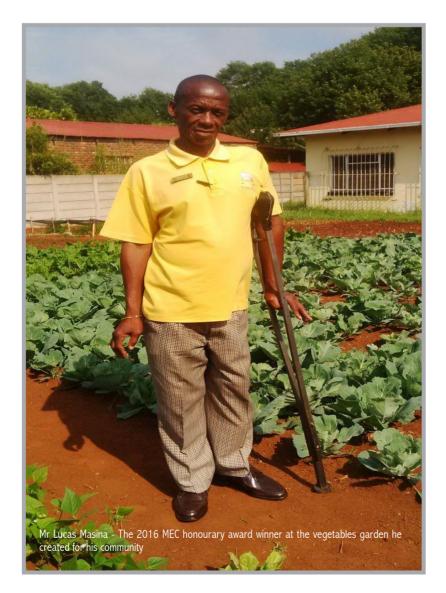
Selfless efforts awarded

Meet Mr Lucas Masina,

the winner of the MEC's Honourary Award for the year 2016

Disability could not stop Lucas from fighting the burden of poverty and starvation in his community. He worked selflesly with the hope of ensuring his community has a backup plan againts hunger.

Mr Lucas Masina is the winner of the MEC's Honorary Award for the year 2016. His award was awarded to him during the ceremony of the MEC's Service Excellence Awards held at Ingwenyama Lodge outside of White River on 24 November 2016. Mr Masina, a Telkom Operator stationed at the Emakhazeni sub-district office (Belfast), entered for the MEC's Service Excellence awards under the Honorary Award Category.



e has been an employee of the department since the year 2008 to date. While doing his daily duties as a receiving agent of all clients at this office, he was exposed to predicament of clients who approached the office because of abject poverty. He says that as a person with disability himself, he felt a burden on his shoulders to help and contribute towards society. He took an initiative in 2015 and approached the office manager concerning unused space behind the offices, permission was granted and the journey began. He started a vegetable garden. He approached the local department of Agriculture for assistance with tools and they freely gave. He bought seeds and began planting different types of vegetable such as cabbage, spinach, tomatoes, carrots, beetroot and many more.

He arrives at works hours before the initial working time and leaves office late to nurture the garden. He also works on holidays. The vegetables are of benefit to the community of

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Emakhazeni more especially penurious clients who visit the office who are not able to receive Social Relief of distress immediately upon arrival.

What an excellent initiative Mr Masina. Congratulations on an excellent achievement.

When addressing the attendees, MEC Busi Shiba said "We are doing this because outstanding performance in various initiatives constitutes an important contribution to deepening the values of community service and empowerment. The Batho Pele principles assist in keeping high levels of courtesy in the public sector. Let me highlight the fact that Batho Pele is not an "addon" activity; it is a way of delivering services by putting citizens at the centre of public service planning and operations."

The MEC hopes that Mr Masina's story will encourage all officials to want to innovatively and exceptionally do better.





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What to know about Care And Services To Older Persons

With the number of older persons in the South Africa, there is a need to empower and protect the elderly in our communities and ensure their wellbeing and acceptability both in homes and society.

The department of social development has services and programmes in place that fully support, protect and empower older persons in communities by providing residential care and community-based services to older persons according to the Older Persons Act (Act 13 of 2006).

These programmes are aimed at empowering and protecting Older Persons and also the promotion and maintenance of their socio-economic activities.



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Services available to older persons

The following programmes are implemented to achieve the said aims.

Active Ageing Programme:

Is a programme that is aimed at Older Persons who are 60 years and above. It involves keeping the elderly persons active through exercising, playing sport, with the aim of reducing the risk of several chronic diseases such as hypertension, diabetes, osteoporosis, etc.

Residential facility (old age homes)

It is a building used primarily for the purpose of providing 24 hours' service to Older Persons who can no longer be cared for in the community due to physical or mental frailty.



Assisted living Facility:

Is a housing facility for Older Persons over 60 years who do not need 24 hour care and have a certain percentage of minimum independence. Such programmes institute a move towards units/ homes that are more open; within the community to facilitate deinstitutionalisation according to the Older Persons Act 13 of 2006.



Home Based Care:

Care provided or services rendered at the place where a frail Older Person resides, excluding at a residential facility, by a caregiver in order to maintain such frail Older Person's maximum level of comfort, including care towards a dignified death according to the Older Person's Act 13 of 2006.



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Community Based Care and Support Centres:

These are centres that are meant for Older Persons to visit during the day for the purpose of socialising, exercising, handwork and empowerment programmes. 4

Other services provided

- Counseling to Older Persons
- Awareness campaigns on issues pertaining to older persons
- Capacity building on legislation pertaining to older persons
- Forums for older persons
- Intergenerational programmes

Some of the most recent achievements include;

- Celebration of the World Elder Abuse Awareness: March against Elder Abuse at Steve Tshwete Local Municipality and presented a memorandum to the Middleburg Magistrate's Office. This was a collaborative effort between Age in Action and DSD.
- Local Golden Games were conducted in the 18 Local Municipalities
- District Golden Games in the 3 District Municipalities
- Provincial Golden Games and a Gala Dinner with the MEC for Social Development
- Forum AGMs in the 3 Districts
- Provincial Forum AGM and election of new committee into office on the 6th and 7th of October 2016.
- Celebration of the International Day of Older Persons through recognition of the unsung Every Day Heroes. The MEC officially opened and handed over furniture to Sikhulile Mhola Service Centre at Emjindini Township.
- Our Older Persons participated in the provincial Older Persons Parliament in October 2016.



- National Older Persons Parliament
- National Older Persons Forum in October 2016 where the Provincial Chair (Mr. Matthew Ngwenya) was elected as a Treasurer in the National Executive Committee representing the Province.
- The Provincial Golden Games Team participated in the National Golden Games. Team Mpumalanga for soccer participated up to the quarter finals and they got position 2 in the National Golden Games. Overall Mpumalanga team got position 4.
- Awareness campaigns on the rights of older persons, departmental services available, Alzheimiers and dementia, Protocol on Management of Elder Abuse and the Older Persons Act 13 of 2006 ware conducted in the local municipalities.





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Recognizing the On-Going Valuable Contributions By Grandparents In Families And Communities



he first Sunday of October has since 1973 been declared as a Grandparents 'day. On this day, families and the general community take stock and appreciate the valuable contributions made and continues to be made by older persons. The event's aim is also to promote a progressive view to older persons – a view which seeks to positively look at ageing in line with legislations such as the Older Persons Bill which seeks to ensure that the rights, dignity and independence of older persons are upheld. This day was celebrated on 9 October 2016 at Solomon Mahlangu Stadium, Kwa-Mhlanga, under the Thembisile Hani Local Municipality. Grandparents are viewed as the foundation and strong pillars that keep families together. They possess great wealth of experience necessary to take families forward and preserve basic values and cultures. In many families, grandparents have become sole providers who provide emotional and financial support to their families, while some view them as a burden to society. At their age, they are at times forced by circumstances to be primary caregivers for their grand-kids.

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SERVICES FOR CHI EVERY CHILD DESERVES DESERVES TO BELONG SOMEWHERE | Know more about Foster Care

FOSTER CARE

Foster care is one of the basket of services provided by the Department of Social Development to children who have been found to be in need of care through Children's court. It is a service for children who are unable to remain with their families because of abuse, neglect, death of parents and temporary inability of a family to take care for the children. The child is then placed in the care of a suitable person who is not a biological parent or guardian of the child. To obtain this type of service, one must visit a Social Development office closest to their place of residence. Alternatively, one may call the departmental toll free number at **0800 20 40 98**.

Purpose of foster care

The purpose of foster care is to;

- Protect and nurture children by providing a safe, healthy environment with positive support.
- Promotes the goal of permanency planning by promoting re-unification services.
- To ensure that children are placed at a least restrictive and most empowering environment that promotes growth, development while ensuring that the child is kept within community of origin

ARE THERE SPECIFIC QUALITIES THAT SHOUL QUALIFY ME TO BE A FOSTER PARENT?

YES: To qualify as a foster parent you need to have certain qualities to be recommended or considered.

The following requirements can qualify you to be a foster parent

- A fit and proper person to be entrusted with the care of the child.
- Able to provide for the safety and well-being of the child
- Willing to undertake, exercise and maintain the responsibilities of such care
- Properly assessed by a designated social worker to determine suitability to foster a child or children

Over the age of 18 years.

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Where do i apply to be a foster parent or what are the steps that i need to follow to become a foster parent?

The following steps can be followed in order to foster a child

All children who are in need of care must be brought to the attention of local welfare organization or Social Development office nearest to their place of residence.

Step 1

Step

The social worker must investigate whether the child is in need of care and protection as well as the circumstances of the proposed foster family to determine their suitability.

The social worker must compile a report in respect of the findings.

Step

A Children's court enquiry is opened by the social worker in terms of the Children's Act. The social worker, the child and the prospective foster parent appear before the Commissioner of Child Welfare to determine the placement of the child concerned.

Step 4



The Commissioner makes an order in terms of the Children's Act no.38 of 2005 as amended. It can be a 2 year order or until the child reaches 18 years.

Once the order is made, the social worker assist the foster family to apply for foster child grant.

Step 6

step 7

The social worker continues to assist the foster family and render supervision services.

Childline: 0800 055 555 Child welfare: 013 753 3330



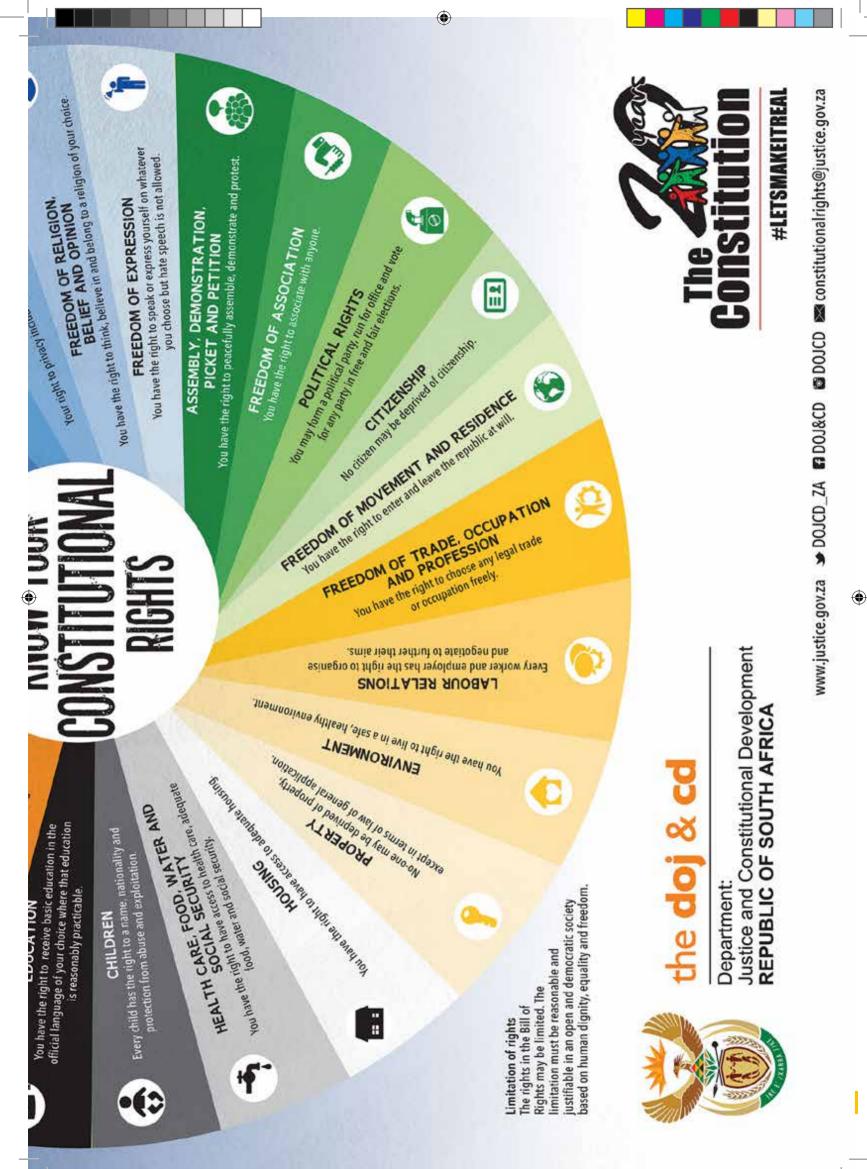
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10 December 1996. Chapter 2 of the Constitution contains the Bill of Rights which provides for the following rights: The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa was signed into law by former President Nelson Mandela on



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Swartfontein Treatment Centre gets gifts and a soccer kit to ensure physical fitness

were the order of the day on 21 December 2016 as service users at Swartfontein Treatment and Rehabilitation Centre celebrated an early Christmas with MEC for Social Development, Ms Busisiwe Shiba.

Gifts which included a soccer kit were handed over to the Centre. Swartfontein Treatment and Rehabilitation Centre is the only Public Treatment Centre in Mpumalanga and it caters for all residents of the Province over the age of 18. Both males and females become patients of the centre due to the fact that substance abuse affects everyone irrespective of gender, race and background.

Various dignitaries including Pastor Negross Manana and members of the Substance Abuse Forum came in full force to celebrate the special day of Swartfontein Treatment and Rehabilitation Centre.

Young people empowered at a life changing Youth Camp

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The Provincial Youth Camp is done also in order to prepare the participants to partake in the National youth camp, which is represented by all Provinces.

The 3 day long Camp also had presentations and exhibitions from various public and private sector organisations. The prime of these presentations was to create real growth and empowerment opportunities for the youth. The Camp was a huge success and it ended on high note with performances and plays by the participants and MEC for Social Development Ms. Busisiwe Shiba closing it with words of encouragement and sharing government's commitment to youth development.

In the spirit of building an adaptive and positive behavior that enables young people to deal effectively with life challenges and lay a solid foundation for their future, the Department of Social Development held a Provincial Youth Camp from 15 – 18 November 2016 at the Eagle Greek Resort in Sabie under Thaba Chweu Local Municipality. Young people who are between the ages of 17 and 24 from all districts on the Province partook in different activities such as; Dialogue on Social Transformation and Patriotism, Team Building and Adventure Activities.





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Khunjuliwe Secondary School

Ready for the 2017 Academic Year



The current government has made Education one of its key priorities. In the efforts to ensure that learning and teaching happens on the first day of school re-opening, Government deploys its officials led by political principals to ensure that the above happens.





n a bright and a sunny morning of 11 January 2017 in the premises of Khunjuliwe Secondary School in Standerton stood over 949 learners well dressed in their school uniform. MEC for Social Development, Ms Busisiwe Shiba led officials from the Department of Education as well as other stakeholders when visiting the school for the above purpose. Everything was found to be in order as learning and teaching was ready to take place on the first day of school.

Shiba welcomed back all new and returning learners in to the new academic year and most importantly gave congratulatory remarks for the good performance to both the school and the 2016 class of Grade 12 for obtaining a 97.8% pass rate. She challenged the 2017 class to emulate the class of 2016.

She further indicated that the Mpumalanga Provincial Government under the stewardship of Premier DD Mabuza continues to intervene and assist disadvantaged and good performing learners to further theirs studies through a Provincial Bursary Scheme and other platforms to ensure that learners gain access to tertiary education.

Dignity packs were then donated to needy learners to restore their dignity and self esteem.

MEC Shiba concluded her brief speech by assuring learners that all learners who will be found to be in need and qualify will in addition to the other benefits from Government benefit from the social relief of distress programme from Social Development.



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Know More About Substance Abuse

Working Together to Combatist

What is a drug?

A drug is any substance other than food, derived from natural and synthetic sources which brings change in the functioning of the body and or mind.

What is addiction?

Addiction is a compulsive drug use characterized by an overwhelming pre-occupation with the use of a drug.

What is binge drinking?

Is the consumption of an excessive amount of alcohol in a short period of time. For males: the average is not more than 4 drinks a day/ 14 per week

For females: the average is not more than 3 drinks a day/ 7 per week

About 1 in 4 people who exceed these limits already has an alcohol use disorder and the rest are at greater risk for developing this problem.

Why do people or young people use drugs?

Peer-pressure, Boredom Stress, Curiosity Rebellious act, Fun experimentation Media (bad influence by some content)

Different types of drugs (Classifications of drugs)

- Socially acceptable drugs:
 Alcohol, Nicotine, caffeine and snuff.
- **Inhalants drugs**: benzyne, petrol, glue and spirit.
- Over the counter drugs: pain killers.
- Prescribed drugs: slimming tablets, cough mixture and sleeping tablets.
- **Illegal drugs**: nyaope, dagga, heroine and cocaine.

Signs and symptoms of substance abuse

- Not being able to control and how much you drink.
- Not being able to stop once started.
- Drinking fast.
- Vomiting and diarrhea.
- Extreme weight loss.
- Shaking and sweating.
- Strange behavioural patterns.
- Sudden change of friends.
- Disappearance of valuables and money.
- Bloodshot eyes.

Effects of drugs/ substance abuse

- Brain damage
- Accidents
- Loss of production at work

School grades deteriorates

- Slurred speech
- Headaches
- Breathing difficulties
- Impotence
- Sexual assault and domestic violence
- Impaired judgement
- Liver damage
- Lung and throat cancer

Intervention programmes or treatment centres for people with substance abuse problems

Prevention services and Early interventions

These are services aimed at preventing a person from using or continuing to use substances that may lead to abuse or result in dependence.

Community based services

It is a service provided to persons who abuse or are dependent on substances and to persons affected by substance abuse while remaining within their families and communities.

Outpatient services

It is a non-residential service provided by a treatment centre or halfaway house to persons who abuse substances and to persons affected by substance abuse and which is managed for the purpose of providing a holistic service.

ALREADY HOOKED? SEEK IMMEDIATE HELP

are you or any member of your family, friend or anyone you know suffering from substance absue or do you suspect or see any signs of substace abuse from anyone you know? There are various tratment and care centres that can assist in dealing with substance/drug abuse in the province

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES CENTRES

The following are treatment centres in the province (private, public and NPOs) for outpatient, inpatient treatment fadilities:

	Name of facility	City	Type of facility (i.e. in-patient; out-	Ownership/Manage-						
2			patient; halfway house	ment structure (i.e.						
2				NGO; Private; State)						
	HLANZENI DISTRICT									
-	Swartfontein Treatment Centre	White River	Inpatient treatment facility	State						
	SANCA Lowveld Alcohol and Drug Help	Nelspruit	Outpatient treatment facility	NPO						
	Centre									
	Healing Wings South Africa Adult Inpatient	Schagen	Inpatient treatment facility	Private						
	centre									
	Healing Wings Youth Centre	Schagen	Inpatient treatment facility	Private						
	White River Manor	Plaston	Inpatient facility	Private						
	JKANGALA DISTRICT									
	SANCA Witbank Alcohol and Drug Help	Witbank	Outpatient treatment facility	NPO						
	Centre									
	SANCA Thembisile Alcohol and Drug Help	Kwaggafontein	Outpatient treatment facility	NPO						
	Centre									
	GERT SIBANDE DISTRICT									
	Mkhondo Alathia Rehabilitation Youth Centre	Piet Retief	Inpatient treatment facility	NPO						
	SANCA Mkhondo Alcohol and Drug Help	Piet Retief	Outpatient treatment facility	NPO						
	Centre (Outpatient)									

Inpatient services

These are services which are rendered in a residential treatment centre. They provide short term and long term treatment services.

Reintegration and Aftercare services

It is an on-going professional support to a service user after a formal treatment episode has ended in order to enable him or her to maintain sobriety or abstinence, personal growth and enhance self-reliance and proper social functioning.

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Campaign on Substance Abuse, Prevention and Rehabilitation.





Top-Ms Isabel Makhushe: Programme manager for substance abuse addressing the youth on drug abuse



he department of social development held an awareness campaign for Substance Abuse, Prevention and Rehabilitation in the University of Mpumalanga to the new students on their Orientation Day on 01 February 2017.

Information was shared to the student on how to prevent the use of drugs in institutions of higher learning, whereby student leaders need to determine the nature and extent of the drug problems on their campuses and make a plan of action on how to reduce the levels of substance abuse. They were advised that when preparing the plan of action, student leaders must determine the contributing factors to the use or abuse of substances.

Students were given the opportunity to ask questions and make inputs on the issue of substance abuse, because it affects them most.

The department of social development committed that it is willing to partner with Institute of Higher Learning in an effort to reduce the level of substance abuse.

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TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Support this campaign by putting on an orange attire on the

25TH OF EACH MONTH

as we add our voice to the fight against violence on women and children



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BREAKING THE SILENCE Victim Empowerment Programme

Victim empowerment is an approach to facilitating access to a range of services for all people who have individually or collectively suffered harm, trauma and or material loss through violence, crime, natural disaster, human accident and/or through socio-economic conditions.

Who is a victim?

A victim is any person who has suffered harm, including physical or mental injury; emotional suffering; economic loss or substantial impairment of his or her fundamental rights, through acts or omissions that are in violation of the criminal law.

Types of abuse victims may experience

- Physical abuse: beatings, assault with weapons including guns.
- Sexual abuse: rape, sexual

harassment, use of objects, touching, exposure to

- Pornography by force, forced to sell sex, including sex by force by a husband/ wife.
 - Economic abuse: refusal to provide maintenance, excessive control over money, gambling with family money, hiding assets including investments.
 - Harassment: telephone calls monitoring, being followed by people to intimidate you, phone calls that have no one but laughter or threats or heavy breathing on the receiving end
- Psychological and emotional abuse: dehumanizing words (useless, stupid), deprived right to work, isolated from friends and family, staying under guard.

Services to victims:

All victims of abuse have the following rights

- The right to be treated with fairness and with respect for your dignity and privacy.
- The right to be offered information.
- The right to receive information;
- The right to protection;

- The right to assistance;
- The right to compensation; and
- The right to restitution.

Facilities available for victims of crime

Shelters

Victims of domestic violence and other gender based crimes are accommodated for a maximum of 6 months. Some come with their children. Victims must be above 18 years of age. They provide physical care, life skills, counseling, liaising with schools and ECD centres for the children to go to school, with business for the placement of some survivor for jobs, with Local government for houses for the families to be released to, extended families and communities for the reintegration of victims to society. They also work with offenders and perpetrators outside the facilities on life skills to change behavior. Facilities in the province:

- 1. Louieville Shelter
- 2. Leseding Shelter
- 3. Badplaas Shelter
- 4. Tirisano Shelter
- 5. Middelburg Shelter
- 6. Grace Shelter
- 7. Grip Shelter

Victim Support Centres

They are community based offices and are easily accessible for victims of crime. They sometimes provide overnight stay in case of an emergency and the client is then taken to the shelter the following day once she has been provided with support and care. They are operated by volunteers. Due to lack of proper sites and funding, some operate within SAPS premises.

- Calcutta Victim
 Empowerment Centre
- Mhala Victim Empowerment
 Centre
- Vuyeselo Victim
 Empowerment Centre
- Masikumeni Women Support Centre
- Schoemasdal Victim Centre
- Standerton Shelter
- Khayalothula Trauma Centre



A PARENTS' MEETING FOR CHILDREN IN STIMULATION CENTRES

As part of the many disability awareness month activities, the Deputy Minister for Social Development. Ms. Hendrietta Bogopane-Zulu and the MEC for Social Development, Ms. Busisiwe Shiba held a meeting with parents for children in stimulation centres around Mpuluzi at Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality on 19 December 2016. At this meeting, a two-way discussion was held to seek ways of delivering quality stimulation services to children with disabilities in stimulation centres. Parents were urged to be involved in taking charge of their children's education and growth. Like any children, children in stimulation centres too have rights and responsibilities, they also need to be loved, encouraged and supported.





Deputy Minister idicated that the role of parents is not to "cure" the disability, but to give social and emotional support that their children need to work and go through challenges. The manner in which parents behave and respond to challenges has a big impact on their children's whole life. A good attitude does not necessarily solve the problems associated with any kind of disability but it goes a long way in giving a child hope and confidence.

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Mpumalanga Social Development Offices (Service Centres)

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Mpumalanga Department of Social Development districts, sub-districts and satelite offices addresses and contact details

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Kriel Branch Office	Municipal Building, Queenton Street, Kriel,	072 608 6169 017 648 3253	Office Swalala Branch Office	Stand no 100 Jerusalem	013 755 4036	Morgenzon Branch Office	166 Sivukile Main Road, Sivukile, Morgenzon	0177933153
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Office	Centre Bethal Road Hendrina	013 293 9906	Mangweni Branch Office		013 780 9904	Office	community hall public works 20 elukwatini	0178830251
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Mandate of SASSA

Vision

To provide world-class social security services.

Mission

To administer quality social security services, cost effectively and timeously using appropriate best practices by:

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at the right time and place. NJALO!

Developing and implementing policies, programmes and procedures for effective and efficient social grants administration system;

Paying the right grant amount, to the right person at the right time, and at the most convenient place that he/she may choose;

Delivering innovative, cost effective and efficient services to individuals, their families and community groups via multi- and easy access channels using modern technology.

Values

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The Constitution and the Batho Pele Principles forms the foundation of our values, which are:

paying the right social grant, to the right person,

- Promotions and protection of human dignity
- Confidentiality
- Integrity
- Fairness
- Transparency
- Equitability

SASSA is an Agency under the Department of Social Development. Established nationally in April 2006 is mandated to ensure the provision of a comprehensive social security services against vulnerability and poverty within the constitutional and legislative framework.

There are currently eight (8) types of grants under the Social Assistance provided by the Agency, namely:

- Grant for elder persons,
- Disability grant,
- War veteran's grants,
- Care dependency grant, foster child grant,
- Foster child grant
- Child support grant,
- Grant-in-aid, and
- Social Relief of Distress

For more information on the various types of grants call SASSA toll free number on 0800 60 10 11 or call the customer care unit on 013 754 9340.

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Unlocking Potential



The NDA continues to play a critical role in contributing towards the eradication of poverty. This is achieved through provision of grants to civil society organisations that carry out development projects of poor communities. The agency also capacitates civil society organisations to enable them to run sustainable programmes.

An appeal is made to the private sector and other organisations to partner the NDA in fighting poverty.

NDA National Development Agency

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FAMILIES

- Shelter for Destitute Families
- · Marriage Enrichment
- Family Support

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Profiling of Households and Communities
- . Community Mobilisation
- Funding and Support to Community Based and Household Initiatives
- · Facilitate Registration of NPOs/ CBOs
- · NPO Support and Capacity Building

WOMEN AND VICTIM EMPOWERMENT

- · Shelter for Abused Women
- · Victim Empowerment
- · Counselling
- · Skills Training and Development
- · Income Generating Activities

OLDER PERSONS

- · Counselling
- Residential care facilities
- · Service centres
- · Home based care
- · Skills training and development

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

- · Counselling
- Residential Care
- Protective Workshop
- Day Care Centre for Children with disabilities
- · Home Based Care
- · Skills, Training and Development

CHILDREN

- · Foster Care
- Alternative Care
- · Adoption Services
- · ECD and Partial Care
- · Child Protection Services
- · Child and Youth Care Centres

CIAL DEVELOPMENT

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

- Funding of NPOs rendering youth development
- services (Youth Development Centres)
- National Youth Service Programme
- · Life Skills Programmes
- · Youth Empowerment Programmes
- · Socio-economic development programmes

CRIME PREVENTION AND SUPPORT

- · Counselling
- · Diversion Programmes
- Secure Care Facilities
- · After Care Services
- · Life Skills Training and Development

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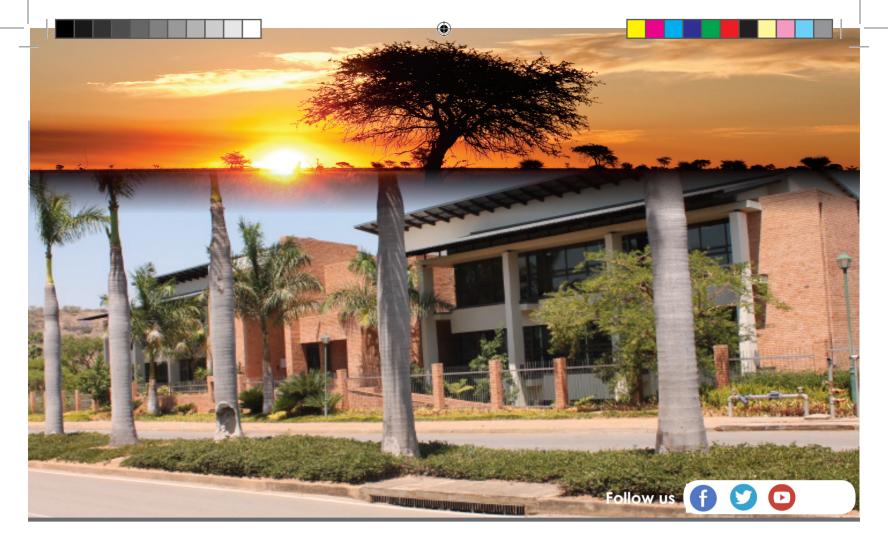
- · Counselling
- · Material assistance for families in distress

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

- · Counseling
- · In-Treatment Centres
- · Out-Patient Treatment Centres
- · After Care Services
- Life Skills Training and Development
- Active ageing
- · Funding of NPOs
- Monitor Compliance to Norms and standards
- · Quality Assurance

HIV AND AIDS

- · Psychosocial Support
- · Home Community Based Care
- · Skills Training and Development
- · Child Care Fora
- · Drop in centre



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