

GENDER BASED VIOLENCE PLAN

Introduction

The Men & Women of Drakenstein Municipality says no to Gender-Based Violence (GBV)!

Drakenstein Municipality has declared a fight against GBV pandemic which should be a focus point 365-days of the year; not only on occasions.

"All forms of violence against women and children should be eradicated. As the Drakenstein Gender Forum we should respect and protect all the vulnerable groups in our Communities. As a municipality, we will play our role and work together with other spheres of government, law enforcement agencies and NGOs, to help ensure the safety of our female colleagues and the women of Drakenstein."

Objectives

The objective of this program is to improve available services provision and raise community awareness of services for survivors of sexual assault with South Africa, which is plagued by the highest rates of gender-based violence in the world.

What is the meaning of gender-based violence?

GBV is described **violence** which is directed at an individual **based** on his or her biological sex OR **gender** identity. This includes physical, sexual, verbal, emotional, and psychological abuse, threats, coercion, and economic or educational deprivation, whether occurring in public or private life

Examples of GBV

- domestic violence;
- sexual harassment;
- acid throwing;
- reproductive coercion;
- female infanticide;
- prenatal sex selection;
- obstetric violence;
- online gender-based violence; and
- mob violence; as well as harmful customary or traditional practices.

Project Plan: September – December 2020

Gender Based Violence Awareness Drive Rural Areas

No.	Venues	Whom	Date
1.	Wellington Parking next to municipal building	GV/NT/Gender Forum	05 September 2020
2.	Simonduim (Outside Community Hall	GV/NT/Gender Forum	12 September 2020
3.	Paarl Boulevard (Taxi Rank)	GV/NT/Gender Forum	19 September 2020
4.	Gouda (Outside Community Hall)	GV/NT/Gender Forum	25 September 2020
5.	Saron Community Hall	GV/NT/Gender Forum	25 September 2020

Saron (Outside Community Hall)

Gender based Violence Workshop:

A gender-based Violence workshop will be held on the 2 October 2020 in partnership with Cape Wineland District Office and VPUU.

Gender Based Violence Workshop

Date	Time	Venue	Target Group	Who
2 October 2020	10:00-13:00	Paarl East Thusong	Representatives from Ward Committees	G Veldsman & Cape Winelands

16 Days of Activism Planning Meeting

Date	Time	Venue	Target Group	Who
10 October 2020	10:00-12:00	Paarl East Lecture Room	Gender Forum	G Veldsman

16 Days of Activism stakeholder Engagement Meeting (Draft of Calendar for 16 Day)

Date	Time	Venue	Target Group	Who
17 October 2020	10:00-12:00	Paarl East Thusong	Stakeholders	G Veldsman

Launch of 16 days of Activism

Date	Time	Venue	Target group	By who
25 November 2020	10:00- 12:00	Paarl Civic Courtyard	Public	Gender forum G Veldsman

Total Project Plan Outcomes

- To institute 16 days of activism for 365 days;
- Have behavioural change among victims and perpetrators alike;
- That the Drakenstein Community has been informed of all the aids available to them;
- Organizing results-oriented workshops on primary and secondary response to violence against women, targeted across sectors and leading to multisectoral plans of action for coordinated responses to this form of violence.
- Mapping services, activities and violence-related legislation to create an effective mechanism for a multisectoral approach to strengthening the health sector response to violence against women, and identifying gaps and priorities to move forward.
- Conducting rapid assessment of health sector readiness to increase safe and confidential identification, response, referral and documentation of violence, in order to identify barriers to strengthening health sector response to violence against women and highlighting areas where interventions should be targeted.

Acknowledging that the quest for gender equality and the eradication of violence and abuse against women cannot be achieved without the active involvement and commitment from men.

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