

## **GARDEN ROUTE COMMUNITY SAFETY PROJECT**

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#### **Purpose of the Project**

- Eden Cluster Anti-Crime Summit on 29-30 January 2019 – announcement of the Safety initiative Project by the Garden Route District Municipality Mayor

#### **Since then, and flowing from the Summit:**

- Western Cape liquor Authority Workshop in the Eden Cluster;
- After School Violence Game Changer in the Eden Cluster;
- Information Workshop with role-players of the District and local Municipalities and community members with regards to the background and contextualisation as well as the roles of the District and the local Municipalities – today we are taking these initial discussions a step further with the mediation and safety plan as the main topics for the day;
- The Sessions today is to build mediation Capacity and strengthen the safety plan development and tomorrow's session is to provide solutions to the misuse and abuse of alcohol;
- All these initiatives invite us all to work towards an integrated approach towards crime prevention and to build partnerships involving all spheres of Government, all relevant Departments and the broader community represented by CPFs, NGOs, Religious leaders, and community based organisations;
- Through these partnerships we are building social cohesion and resilience against crime;
- All input, workshops and related meetings since the Anti-Crime Summit are leading to the development of safety plans where each Municipality should develop their safety plans involving all role-players and stakeholders in their respective areas of jurisdiction;

#### **These safety plans should:**

- Lead to the development and implementation of viable safety projects; and
- To register these safety plans with the IDP processes of the Municipalities. In this way our discussions do not become talk-shops with non-deliverables, but in this approach, we are able to keep one another accountable with the progress of SAFETY in our communities.

I wish you well and enjoy the two days with us. Go back to your communities: inform them of the outcomes, bring them together and implement.