



**Western Cape  
Government**

**GARDEN ROUTE DISTRICT SAFETY SUMMIT,  
PROVINCIAL AND LOCAL PRIORITIES  
DETERMINATION OF POLICING NEEDS AND PRIORITIES AND  
SAFETY STRATEGY REVIEW  
15 & 16 OCTOBER 2019**

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## Introduction and purpose of the session

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- To reflect on the crime situation in the Garden Route District
- To understand the legal mandate and need for a district safety forum
- To determine the Policing Needs and Priorities for the region as per the Constitutional mandate
- To develop a safety plan for the Garden Route District



# Department of Community Safety: Vision and Mission

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## **Vision:**

- **A safer open opportunity society for all whilst building resilient communities which are responsive to safety needs**

## **Mission:**

- **The Department of Community Safety aims to increase safety for all in the Province by promoting professional policing through effective oversight and by facilitating safety partnerships and programmes to build greater safety and security organisational resilience.**





# District Safety Approach

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- DoCS has been allocated funds over four-years to support district municipalities to attain safety objectives.
- The Department of Community Safety will develop a resilience model in order to build safe & cohesive communities for each District Municipality



## District Safety Approach (cont.)

- DMs must develop a district safety plan and spend funds in accordance with the plan. They must also appoint a coordinator, train and deploy mediators to address social unrest, and provide quarterly reports to DoCS.
- This can be monitored through the municipal safety structure.







## District Municipality Approach (cont.)

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- Mediation teams trained and established in Overberg District & Garden Route
- Coordinators appointed in Overberg and Garden Route.
- Set up quarterly meetings with Executive Mayors & Municipal Managers
- Provincial District approach – regular participation in PCF and DCF fora.



Garden Route District Municipality, the leading, enabling and inclusive district, characterised by equitable and sustainable development, high quality of life and equal opportunities for all.





# BUDGET ALLOCATION

Municipality	Financial Year			
	2018/19 Allocation (R'000)	2019/20 Allocation (R'000)	2020/21 Allocation (R'000)	2021/22 Allocation (R'000)
West Coast	800	1 100	1 400	1 400
Cape Winelands	1 000	1 100	2 000	2 100
Overberg	1 000	1 100	2 000	2 100
Garden Route	1 200	1 300	2 100	2 323
Central Karoo	1 000	1 100	2 000	2 100
<b>R30 223 000</b>	5 000	5 700	9 500	10 023

# DoCS' Approach



Community Safety  
Improvement Partnership

Promoting  
Professional Policing  
through effective  
oversight

M&E through police station oversight visits  
WC Police Ombudsman  
Watching Briefs  
DVA audits, etc

Promote safety at  
public spaces and  
buildings

School Safety Risk assessments  
Security provisioning at provincial buildings  
NHW accreditation

Establish and  
maintain viable  
Safety Partnerships

Capacity building & support to CPF through  
EPP, Matching grants for CPF  
Support to District Municipalities  
NHW stipend payments  
Working with CJS stakeholders (Prov Joints,  
etc)  
Youth safety religious partnership, Chrysalis  
Youth work programme

# DoCS' Approach



Community Safety  
Improvement Partnership

## Promoting Professional Policing through effective oversight

- M&E through police station oversight visits
- WC Police Ombudsman
- Watching Briefs
- DVA audits, etc

## Promote safety at public spaces and buildings

- School Safety Risk assessments
- Security provisioning at provincial buildings
- NHW accreditation

## Establish and maintain viable Safety Partnerships

- Capacity building & support to CPF through EPP, Matching grants for CPF
- Support to District Municipalities
- NHW stipend payments
- Working with CJS stakeholders (Prov Joints, etc)
- Youth safety religious partnership, Chrysalis
- Youth work programme



# Garden Route: Community Police Forum Progress

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1. Community Police Forum's actively participated in:

- Eden Cluster Anti-crime Summit – 29 & 30 Jan 2019
- Western Cape Liquor Authority (WCLA) Workshop – 13 Apr 2019
- After School Gamechanger Project – 3 & 4 July 2019
- Eden Cluster and Garden Route DM Work sessions on Mediation & Alcohol Harms Reduction (AHR) Gamechanger – 23 & 24 Aug 2019

2. CPF Cluster Boards (Eden and Da Gamaskop) meet monthly with respective Community Police Forums

3. Eden Cluster Board participate in monthly Cluster JOINTS Meetings



## Training NHWs



# Neighbourhood Watch – Eden District & Da Gamaskop

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- Currently 46 accredited NHWs in the Eden & Da Gamaskop SAPS Clusters;

## **All accredited NWHs received:**

- accreditation certificates,
- Starter Kits (consisting of reflective vests, strobe lights, torches, magnetic decals for the vehicles, First Aid Kit, Fire Extinguisher, safety whistles and a storage box) and T-shirts and caps;

## **Benefits of accreditation**

- free training in your community ie. Basic NHW Training, First Aid (Level 1) and Basic Fire fighting;
- qualify for funding (R10 000) towards their operational and administrative costs;



# Accreditation of NHWs





# Neighbourhood Watch – Eden District & Da Gamaskop

- In August, DOCs held an event in George where the process for the Professionalisation of NHWs was explained;
- New brand for Neighbourhood Watches was introduced;
- New Neighbourhood Watch Management System (NHWMS) where members of the public can apply online for accreditation was introduced, &
- New Communication and Reporting application (ie.Kaizala) that is currently being piloted, was introduced.





## Neighbourhood Watch – Eden District & Da Gamaskop cont.

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### **Eden Cluster: 34**

George: 4

Calitzdorp: 1

Plettenberg Bay: 3

Dysselsdorp: 1

De Rust: 2

Conville: 7

Knysna: 11

Ladismith: 2

Oudtshoorn: 3

### **Da Gamaskop Cluster: 12**

Mossel Bay: 6

Riversdale: 1

Barrydale: 1

Still Bay: 3

Swellendam: 1

# Provincial Priorities

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Based on the Premier's State of the Province address in July 2019, five strategic priorities were identified:

1. Enabling economy and creating a job in every household
2. Empowering people
3. Public transport, Mobility and Spatial Transformation
4. Safe and cohesive communities
5. Innovation across government and Culture Change in the Western Cape

Strategic case documents are in process of development for each one, identified areas for action and engagement, and outcome indicators.



# Apex Safety Priorities for the Western Cape

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**Premier Allan Winde announced on 19 September 2019:**

- **Vision – to halve the murder rate in the Province within 10 years**
- **Each MEC has been allocated certain safety priorities**
- **The implementation will be coordinated through the Premier's Safety Cabinet:**
  - Ministers, SAPS and other stakeholders in the Criminal Justice System will be held accountable for delivery metrics
- **The safety initiatives will follow a data driven approach.**
- **The detailed safety plan is still under development.**

# Apex Priorities

MEC	Priorities
Community Safety (MEC Fritz)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Training &amp; deployment of 3000 law enforcement officers (City of Cape Town)</li><li>2. Deployment of 50 investigators in high crime areas</li><li>3. Expand Chrysalis academy interventions</li><li>4. Enhance police oversight</li><li>5. Change legislation to ensure cheap alcohol pricing amended.</li></ol>
Social Development (MEC Fernandez)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Identifying, profiling &amp; supporting youth at risk of violent or criminal behaviour</li><li>2. Deliver parenting programmes to reduce violence, GBV and substance abuse</li></ol>
Sport, Arts & Culture ( Marais)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Coordinate Youth-In-Service programme – increase work opportunities for youth 18 – 24.</li><li>2. Additional after school programmes for youth at risk.</li></ol>

# Apex Priorities

MEC	Priorities
Finance & Economic Opportunities (Maynier)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ensuring placement of Chrysalis graduates after 1 year EPWP placement.</li> <li>2. Improving tourist safety.</li> </ol>
Health (Mbombo)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Roll out First 1000 Days to support 10 000 mothers &amp; caregivers, focus on at-risk mothers</li> </ol>
Agriculture (Meyer)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Roll-out of rural safety plan</li> </ol>
Education (Schafer)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Increase school safety by upgrading physical infrastructure</li> <li>2. Implement programmes aimed at reducing violence on school grounds</li> <li>3. Transform to Perform Programme (instils values)</li> </ol>
Transport & Public Works (Madikizela)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Road safety and reducing road deaths</li> <li>2. Optimisation of provincial Highway Patrol</li> </ol>

# Apex Priorities

MEC	Priorities
Human Settlements (Simmers)	1. Increase safe spaces through environmental design – incl stopes, lighting, and communal spaces in new developments.
Local Government, Environmental Affairs & Development Planning (Bredell)	1. Review of policies & processes to improve safety through urban & rural planning, design & spatial planning



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Thank you