

PARTNERSHIPS WITH SECTOR STAKEHOLDERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS

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OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

- Purpose
- Partnerships
 - Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
 - NGOs
- Community Corrections

PURPOSE

To provide an overview on the partnerships that the Department of Correctional Services has with sector stakeholders and service providers regarding rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders.

PARTNERSHIPS: FORMAL EDUCATION

- The Department of Basic Education (DBE)
- The Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET)
- The President Award (TPA)
- Media Works: AET Accelerated Programme
- National Applications Centre (NAC)
- SACE approved service providers: Macmillan Education Teacher Campus, Shutters and Shooters, Van Schaik Bookstores and Pearson publishers.
- School Net for ICT
- University of South Africa (UNISA)

PARTNERSHIPS: FORMAL EDUCATION

- Deputy Minister: Communications with regard to skills development of offenders in the Eastern Cape.

The following areas have been identified:

- Plant and animal production at Middledrift to 25 Adult Male Offenders
 - Film and Video Production at Cradock to 40 Youth Male Offenders; at East London Medium C to 20 Female Offenders
 - Film and Video Production Agriculture Production at Cofimvaba to 20 Youth Male Offenders
- Nelson Mandela Foundation in the accreditation of the Training Workshop at Ekuseni Correctional Centre.
 - Manufacturing, Engineering and Related Services Sector Education and Training Authority (Merseta) in the Boksburg Education Project and equipping the Training Centre at Heidelberg Correctional Centre.
 - Deputy Minister: Tourism in terms of skills development of female offenders at Kgoši Mampuru II Management Area.
 - Sedibeng Technical, Vocational Education and Training (TVET) College with Heidelberg Correctional Centre in terms of skills development for offenders.
 - Gauteng City Region Academy in terms of skills development for offenders at Boksburg Management Area and later also for the broader Gauteng Region.

PARTNERSHIPS: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

- **Department of Sport and Recreation South Africa (DSRSA):**

The partnership is to assist the Department to achieve its mandate with regards to personal development of offenders through sport and recreation programmes and services.

- Through the partnership with DSRSA, we have increased the number of participation of offenders by introducing new programmes and activities.
- Implement sustainable sport and recreation programmes in all correctional centres for leisure time utilization and therapeutic and academic purposes.
- Indoor sport and Recreational equipment were procured Nationally in support of Operation Vala (Festive Season Program).

PARTNERSHIPS: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

- **Department of Arts and Culture (DAC):**

DAC and DCS has signed the MoU to implement the Art Access programme in Correctional Facilities. Art Access Programme is part of a broader campaign of ensuring Art Access to all, in particular to marginalized and vulnerable groups in society. The key objectives of this programmes is to transform and empower offenders through the arts, culture and heritage which have the potential for self-sustainability, post-incarceration and rehabilitation, while under correctional supervision and social integration.

- Provide quality support services to talented offenders in the region including the provision of appropriate marketing and selling skills with regards to establishing Art Galleries in DCS.
- A Train the trainer programme on Beadwork has been developed in Correctional Centres.

PARTNERSHIPS: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

- Through this partnership, individual and group talents were discovered through a coordinated drama performance by offenders. The outcome of this programme based on the partnership is to expose talent and educate community on Crime Prevention, through Grahamstown Arts Festival and State Theatre.
- (i) South African Book Development Council (SABDC):**

The partnership is assisting to facilitate the expansion of Library Programmes and Services in DCS through the establishment of book clubs at the Correctional Centres, reading, writing, storytelling and compilation of poetry books by offenders.
- Offender participation in this programme starts at the Correctional Centre Level, Management Area Level, proceeds to Regional Level and lastly to the National Championships where talents are showcased at a National platform.
- Coordinate the nationwide outreach and advocacy projects through the book development and participating during the National and International Days.

PARTNERSHIPS: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

(ii) Centre for the Book (CFB):

The partnership is between DCS and the CFB which is a branch of the National Library in the DAC. This is an annual programme aimed at encouraging offenders to develop appreciation and knowledge through reading of books, reviewing, providing analysis and engaging in constructive educative debates on topical issues

PARTNERSHIPS: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

- **Badminton South Africa (BSA):**

The partnership will assist with the planning, development and implementation of the programme at Correctional Services centres. Through this partnership offenders will be trained as technical officials and become coaches.

- **South African Table Tennis Board (SATTB):**

The partnership will assist with the planning, development and implementation of the programme at Correctional Services centres. Through this partnership offenders will be trained as technical officials and become coaches.

PARTNERSHIPS: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

- **South African National Amateur Boxing Organization:**

The partnership is assisting with the planning, development and implementation of the programme at Correctional Services centres. Through this partnership offenders are trained as technical officials and managers. In support of the programme in DCS boxing equipment was procured for all Management Areas.

Offender participation in this programme starts at the Correctional Centre Level, Management Area Level, proceeds to Regional Level and lastly to the National Championships where talents are showcased on a National platform.

PARTNERSHIPS: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

- **Athletics South Africa (ASA):**

The partnership assists with the planning, development and implementation of the programme at Correctional Services centres. Through this partnership offenders and officials are trained as technical officials.

Offender participation in this programme starts at the Correctional Centre Level, Management Area Level, proceeds to Regional Level and lastly to the National Championships where talents are showcased at a National platform.

PARTNERSHIPS: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

- **South African Football Association (SAFA):**

The partnership is assisting to coordinate the football leagues at Correctional Centre Level and to showcase talent of the offenders.

Offender participation in this programme starts at the Correctional Centre Level, Management Area Level, proceeds to Regional Level and lastly to the National Championships where talents are showcased at a National platform.

PARTNERSHIPS: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

- **South African Rugby Union:**

The partnership is assisting to coordinate the rugby leagues at Correctional Centre Level and to showcase talent of the offenders. Through this partnership offenders are trained as technical officials.

Offender participation in this programme starts at the Correctional Centre Level, Management Area Level, proceeds to Regional Level and lastly to the National Championships where talents are showcased at a National platform.

This coordinated approach is geared towards building and supporting self-sufficiency and necessary for reducing the likelihood of former offenders becoming involved in criminal activity.

PARTNERSHIPS: SPIRITUAL CARE

Partnerships with various church/faith based organisations include the following:

- Quality Assured Service Providers rendering Services and Programmes to offenders in Correctional Centres: Alpha Prison Ministries, Prison Fellowship SA, New Life Behaviour Ministries, Kairos, EEIII (Evangelism Explosion Edition III), Lotsha Ministries.
- Religious Bodies that assist in the management of church/faith groupings within Correctional Centres: Jewish Prison Board, National Muslim Prison Board, Hindu Prison Board, SAACOM (Southern African Association for Correctional Ministry), SSCAB (Security Services Christian Advisory Board) ATR (African Traditional Religion) & Rastafarians.
- Partnerships exists with different churches/faith groups who appoint own Spiritual Workers for Rendering of Services and Programmes to offenders: ± 1794 spiritual workers.
- Established partnerships with church/faith groups such as Kara Development Ministries, African Traditional Religion, Rastafarians, Jewish, Muslim, ZCC (Zion Christian Church), Shembe (Nazareth Baptist Church) Israel Vision, Buddhists, Pagans and Hindus resulted in the development of Spiritual Care Policy Guidelines which guide provision of special religious needs to offenders.

PARTNERSHIPS: SPIRITUAL CARE

- A long existing partnership exists with the Bible Society of SA, making Bibles available to offenders through Annual Bible Donations for distribution to various Correctional Centres.
 - Training of Spiritual Care personnel is facilitated by the One Year Course on Correctional Ministry through the partnership with the Theological Department of UNISA.
 - Working Relations have been established with Institute for Healing of Memories and Counselling Workshops for offenders were conducted in Goodwood and Pollsmoor Correctional Facilities.
 - Partnerships are in place with Community Radio Stations such as Radio Pulpit and Umhlobo Wenene for linking offenders with their family and communities.
 - Relations are in place with Bible Correspondence Institutions such as Emmanuel Press, All Nations, Bybelkor, Bible Way, Kenneth Copeland, World Hope Ministries, Radio Pulpit, Nehemiah Bible Institute and SDA Voice of Prophecy.
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PARTNERSHIPS: SOCIAL WORK SERVICES

The following Quality Assured Service Providers are rendering Services and Programmes to offenders in Correctional Centres and Community Corrections:

- Nicro – Rendering Pre-release programme and Tough enough Programme
- Khulisa – Rendering Crime prevention Programmes
- FAMSA – Rendering Relationship and Anger in ‘Anger out programme’
- SANCA – Rendering Alcohol and Substance abuse awareness programmes
- Fear Free Life – dealing with gangsterism

PARTNERSHIPS: SOCIAL WORK SERVICES

- Training of 297 officials was conducted (including Social Workers) on Child Justice Act and Children's Act.
- DCS officials trained by DSD on Chapter 5&6 of the Children's Act to capacitate officials to register ECD Centres in DCS as mandated.
- Training of Social Workers in trauma counseling was provided by NICDAM and spearheaded by DSD.
- SANCA trained 44 Social Workers based at Youth Centre on SANCA Ahanang Programme.
- No formal partnerships have been entered into in regard to psychological services.
- However, there are discussions with universities which train psychologists aimed at improving the profile of DCS as a competitive employer of psychologists, as well as a place where training opportunities should be explored.
- Such initial explorations are being initiated with the Psychological Society of South Africa and the Health Professions Council as well.

PARTNERSHIPS: QUALITY ASSURED / APPROVED SERVICE PROVIDERS

ORGANISATIONS	SERVICES
Right to Care	South Africa Global Fund programme – reduce the rate of new HIV & TB infections by at least 50% and to provide access to an appropriate package of treatment, care & support to 80% HIV – positive people & families.
Footballers 4 Life	Strengthening of TB & HIV services in prison through advocacy, awareness & education.
Fear Free Life	The Fear Free Life gang management & rehabilitation programme
New Life Behaviour	New life behaviour programme

PARTNERSHIPS: QUALITY ASSURED / APPROVED SERVICE PROVIDERS

ORGANISATIONS	SERVICES
Global Harvest Prison Network	National 50 Days of prayer & fasting
Lotsha Ministries	Ukuphula Iketanga Series
World Hope Ministries	Spiritual Care programme
Babies Behind Bars	Education, Skills Development, Sport & Recreation and Social Reintegration
The Alpha Course South Africa	To restore and rehabilitate mental, spiritual and physical attitudes and behaviour through faith
The Prem Rawat Foundation	To discover inner resources such as dignity, hope, clarity and choice, and to enable the inmates to recognise their innate value.

MoU: FORMAL EDUCATION

The Department of Basic Education (DBE)

The Department of Correctional Services signed a MoU with DBE in order to improve the standard of education in correctional facilities. The MoU has already born fruit because DBE has conducted training workshops for educators and officials of DCS in the following: South African School Administration and Management System (SA-SAMS); training of educators in Life Sciences and also donated the Mind the Gap study guides in various subjects to all full-time schools in DCS. They also donated Learner Teacher Support Material (LTSM) in the form of teacher reference books, readers and classroom charts for the establishment of School Library and Information Services in our Further Education and Training (FET) fulltime schools.

MoU: FORMAL EDUCATION

The Department of Basic Education (DBE)

- Production Workshops : MoU was signed for the manufacturing, delivering and rehabilitation of school furniture in March 2013.
- An Addendum to existing memorandum was signed in October 2014

MoU: FORMAL EDUCATION

The Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET)

- The Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) has assisted the Department of Correctional Services in providing us with Adult Education and Training (AET) practitioners in various AET Centres without any cost to the department. The Department also signed an MoU with them for the establishment of career resource centres in St Albans and Helderstroom Management Areas and consequently, the following personnel were trained in running these centres :
 - 15 educators from both Management Areas
 - 4 Librarians
 - 4 IT officials
 - 2 officials in HR from both Management Areas

MoU: FORMAL EDUCATION

- The Department signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with an agency known as the National Applications Centre (NAC). This is a youth led Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) which has the capacity to amass resources for youth development through partnering with other stakeholders like Merseta, Department of Communication (DOC) and the National Youth Development Agency etc. This partnership resulted in Department of Communications donating a computer laboratory at Boksburg Management Area and through this partnership, the following technology was donated for youth development:
 - 15 television sets with Open View HD satellite television
 - 60 computers donated by the Landbank with internet connectivity from Telkom
 - Online learning material and training from iNetSI
 - Teacher Training and support by Intel

MoU: FORMAL EDUCATION

University of South Africa (UNISA)

The Department of Correctional Services is in the process of signing an MoU with the University of South Africa (UNISA) to assist offenders who are involved in distance education to have access to online connectivity within a secure environment so that they can be able to apply for registration online and be able to post their assignments online as well. This is to mitigate possibilities of offenders having access to own personal computers with access to uncapped internet through use of private modems. The university also assists the Department with the running of examinations as they provide invigilators for this purpose.

The President Award (TPA)

The Department of Correctional also signed a MoU with The President Award (TPA) which deals with holistic development of offenders. TPA helps youth offenders to develop qualities of leadership, self-worth, initiative, self-discipline, entrepreneurship and commitment to community service.

MoU: SPORT, RECREATION, ARTS, CULTURE AND LIBRARIES

- Department of Sport and Recreation South Africa (DSRSA)
- Department of Arts and Culture (DAC)
- Badminton South Africa (BSA)
- South African Table Tennis Board (SATTB)
- Professional Golfers Association of South Africa
- Department of Sport and Recreation South Africa (DSRSA)

MoU: SPIRITUAL CARE

- There are currently partnerships with the NGO's, Heartlines and Moral Regeneration Movement (MRM) specifically focussing of the development of positive values and norms for inmates and officials in DCS. At this point in time a draft Memorandum of Understanding between DCS and Heartlines has been developed. MoU's with the Moral Regeneration Movement (MRM), Institute for Healing of Memories and Christian Revival Church are on development phase.
- Spiritual Workers and Volunteers of different churches/faiths are appointed as well as Services Providers which inter alia pay attention in building the character and inculcating positive values to inmates.
- The National Commissioner signed a MoU on behalf of DCS with the Christian Revival Church on 6 November 2016.

MoU: PERSONAL CORRECTIONS

- The Department has entered into a partnership through renewable MOUs with four tertiary institutions in Gauteng and Kwazulu/Natal. These MoUs are intended to provide third year and post graduate criminology/corrections students with practical work experience in corrections field. Students participate in this project termed *Experiential Learning* on a voluntary basis.
- The tertiary institution involved are:
 - University of South Africa
 - University of Pretoria
 - University of Kwazulu/Natal
 - University of Zululand
- Through this partnership a total of 123 criminology/corrections students benefited from SASSETA bursaries to the value of R50 000 each.

NGO s

❑ 67 Blankets for Nelson Mandela Day:

The objective of the project is to ensure that offenders are given the opportunity to reach out to communities outside Correctional Centres walls. By hand-making blankets that are donated to 67 Blankets for Nelson Mandela Day, the offenders get to make a difference in the lives of those who are living in poverty stricken circumstances.

- This is a skills development project that aims at giving offenders a positive and creative way to reach out to the disadvantaged communities that exist outside of DCS facilities.
- Lastly it creates a structured environment within the various Correctional Centres to facilitate the project.
- Approximately ± 2000 inmates nationally, inclusive of all categories are involved in the project and the sponsor of wool and crochet hooks by 67 Blankets for Nelson Mandela Day has sustained the project since 2015.

NGO s

- **67 Blankets for Nelson Mandela Day:**

The partnership focuses on profiling our offender programmes of rehabilitation for re-integration in front of millions of South Africans;

- Serves as a climax for showcasing and demonstrating successes in Correctional Services delivery on social re-integration.
- Knitting together broken lives.
- Breaking the Guinness World Records set by 67 Blankets for Nelson Mandela Day on the 22 April 2016, in Drakenstein, WC Region.

Pledge of Cooperation:

Organisation	Date Signed
1. 67 Blankets for Nelson Mandela Day:	14 August 2015

NGO s

❑ Van Schaik Bookstores:

- A consignment of books donated by Van Schaik Bookstores were sent to the FS/NC Region and this entailed the following:
 - ✓ Afrikaans books
 - ✓ English books
 - ✓ Physical Science X-Kit for Grades 10,11 and 12
 - ✓ Life Sciences

NGO s

The following dedicates programmes in building character and positive values are implemented and rolled-out in correctional centres in partnership with the NGO Heartlines. Officials (Moral and Development Coordinators) and Spiritual workers of different faiths are also trained in the conducting the programmes:

- Living Positive Values: discussion 8 values.
- Values for Life: a practical resource for teaching about values for young people.
- Living Godly Values: an eight week course of inculcating positive values.
- Heartlines for Youth: course specifically dedicated to youth and positive values.
- Values for Money: assisting a person to apply positive values regarding money.
- CHATSEC (Combating HIV and Aids through Spiritual and Ethical Conduct): course assisting inmates in making decisions that are based on positive values and building their character. This programme stems from a partnerships with the Chaplaincy of the SANDF.

NGO s

The following programmes have been developed to assist inmates in building character and applying positive values:

- Pre-Release Programme (Module on Applied Basic Values) for inmates. This programme has been developed in partnership with the FBO Lotsha Ministries.
- Family Firm Foundation: dealing with restoring relations in the family and taking up responsibility for the family.
- Healthy Relationships: addressing the value of other persons and importance of healthy relationships.
- Self Image: a programme that is building character and valuing the self of the inmate.

NGO s

Spiritual Care has maintained partnerships with NGOs such as:

New Life Behaviour

- Provision of behavioural change programme to inmates

Alpha South Africa

- Alpha Prison programme focuses on teaching offenders Basic Course in Christianity to support their rehabilitation.

Kairos

- Presentation of Kairos Weekend Programme for motivating, counselling and mentoring inmates within group setting.

Evangelism Explosion (EEIII)

- Basic Christian Teachings

Hope Prison Ministries

- Restorative justice programmes

Jericho Walls

- Christian Prayer Group for offenders

NGO s

Buddhist Temple Bronkhorstspruit

- Buddhist programmes and services

LOTSHA

- Pre-release and reintegration programmes

Prison Fellowship SA

- Offers a Sycamore Tree Programme (restorative justice)

Radio Ministries

- Community Radio Stations such as Radio Pulpit and Umhlobo Wenene for linking offenders with their families and communities.

Correspondence Courses

- Relations are in place with Bible Correspondence Institutions such as Emmanuel Press, All Nations, Bybelkor, Bible Way, Kenneth Copeland, World Hope Ministries, Radio Pulpit, Nehemiah Bible Institute and Seventh Day Adventist Voice of Prophecy.

NGO s

Zion Christian Church (ZCC)

- Spiritual Care services and programmes.

Hindu Prison Board

- Spiritual care services and programmes to Hindu inmates.

NICSA (National Interfaith Council of SA)

- Participation of NICSA members in the rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders.

African Traditional Religion (ATR)

- Provision of Spiritual services and programmes for ATR inmates.

Jewish Prison Board

- The Jewish Prison Board provides support on policy matters relating to Jewish spiritual programmes and services.

South African Council of Churches (SACC)

- After Care and Social Reintegration programmes. Assisted DCS with the reintegration of inmates affected by remission of sentence projects.

NGO s

Safety and Security Christian Advisory Board(SSCAB)

- Consultation on spiritual care policy, support for the chaplaincies of the security services personnel and monitoring the provision of Chaplains and Spiritual Workers by the churches.

Rastafarian Council

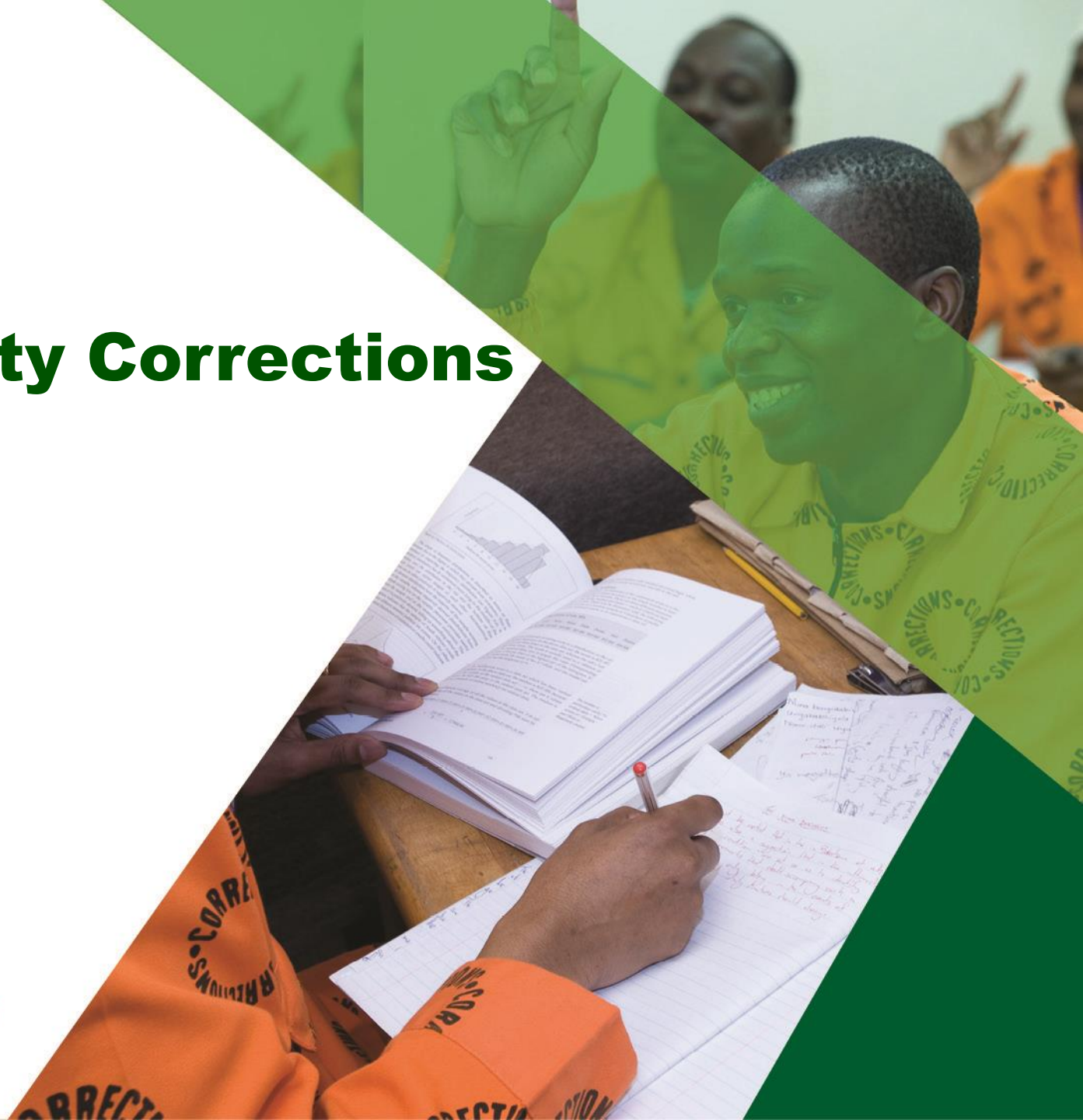
- The Rastafarian Council assists in the provision of Spiritual Care programmes and services to Rastafarian offenders

Community Corrections



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PURPOSE

The purpose of this presentation is to provide information to the Portfolio Committee on the following:

- Historical developments of the Community Corrections system
- Mandates
- Key Definitions
- Number of offenders under Community Corrections
- Capacity at Community Corrections
- Objectives of Community Corrections
- Partnerships with academia, civil society organisations, government departments, entities, community and faith based organisations to deliver effective reintegration support services.
- Halfway Houses
- Support Structures
- Service Points
- Community Profiling.
- Restorative Justice
- Challenges

History

- In 2016, Community Corrections celebrates the 25th anniversary in South Africa
- Correctional Supervision was implemented on 15 August 1991 in South Africa
- During 1993 an entirely new release policy was developed and implemented on the 01st of March 1994
- During the year 2000 provision was made for the placement of awaiting trial persons (ATP) in the system of community corrections in terms of Section 62 (f) of the Criminal Procedure Act, 1977 (Act 51/1977)
- Correctional and Parole Supervision serve as an alternative to incarceration and are collectively referred to as Community Corrections.

Mandates

- Correctional Services Act, 111 of 1998 (Act No 111 of 1998), as amended
 - Criminal Procedure Act, 1977 (Act 51 of 1977)
 - White Paper on Correctional Services (2005)
 - Electronic Monitoring Policy, 2014
 - Social Reintegration Policy, 2008
 - International Instruments on Non-Custodial Sentences
 - Halfway House Policy, (2013)
 - Community Participation Policy (2014)
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Definitions

- **‘Probationer’** - refers to a person who is serving a sentence of correctional supervision and was sentenced by a court of law to correctional supervision or has been placed on correctional supervision by the CSPB/National Commissioner or his / her delegate
 - **‘Parolee’** - refers to a person who has been placed out of correctional centre before the expiry of the sentence to serve the remainder of his / her sentence of imprisonment in the community under the supervision and control of Community Corrections
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Number of offenders under the Community Corrections system

Category	Sub-category	Male	Female	Total per sentence category
Parole	Sec 73 - CSA, 111/1998	50,487	1,450	51,937
Correctional Supervision (Probationers)	Sec 276(1)(h) -CPA, 51/1977	5,901	1,259	7,160
	Sec 276(1)(i) -CPA, 51/1977	5,964	469	6,433
	Sec 276 A(3) -CPA, 51/1977	31	9	40
	Sec 287(4)(a) -CPA, 51/1977	2,415	189	2,604
	Sec 287(4)(b) -CPA, 51/1977	216	8	224
	Sec 297 -CPA, 51/1977	155	24	179
Awaiting Trial Persons (ATP's)	Sec 62(f) -CPA, 51/1977	1,094	51	1,145
Total		66,263 (95%)	3,459 (5%)	69,722

Capacity of Community Corrections

Staff (Persal Post establishment):

- Funded: 2205
- Filled: 2007

Offices:

- 218 (***WC-26, EC-40, KZN-36, GT-13, LMN-66, FS/NC-37***)

Partnerships with stakeholders

- Department of Correctional Services has formalised partnerships with various stakeholders such as NPOs, FBOs, CBOs and Government Departments for the employability, successful reintegration of parolees and probationers, support to ex – offenders and family support .
- The DCS has also entered into agreement with Institutions of Higher Learning to utilise students to conduct community profiling within communities.

Partnerships with stakeholders

The following NPOs signed MOUs with the Department to train and employ parolees , probationers and ex – offenders:

- Nunnovation Africa Foundation
- Kishugu (Working on Fire)
- Moqhaka Development Agency
- Women of Value South Africa
- New Life After Prison
- Vezokuhle Youth Development Project in EC,
- Beauty for Ashes in WC,
- World Focus Victim, Youth and Community Development in LMN,
- Xilembeni in LMN,
- One Foundation in LMN,
- Klerksdorp in LMN
- Naturena in Gauteng
- Bloemspruit in Mangaung (FS/NC) newly established

Partnerships with stakeholders

- Still Rise
- Fear Free Life
- Lenzos
- Traditional leaders
- Environmental Affairs
- NICSA
- Dream Team
- Sekwanele
- Khulisa
- NYDA
- COMPRA
- Siphilisiwe
- FOCODI
- FOvOC
- BUSAC(Business Against Crime)

Partnerships with Institutions of Higher Learning

- University of Zululand
- University of Venda
- University of Limpopo
- UNISA
- University of Kwazulu-Natal

Programmes rendered by stakeholders

- ✓ Skilling on construction, building , plumbing, welding, carpentry.
- ✓ Employment
- ✓ Training on job preparedness
- ✓ Personal empowerment
- ✓ Entrepreneurs skills
- ✓ veld fire fighting
- ✓ Beauty and hair
- ✓ Computer literacy
- ✓ Organic garden for patients
- ✓ Renovating housing, schools
- ✓ Planting of trees, cleaning of parks
- ✓ Confectionery
- ✓ Web development, ICT

Halfway House

- The Department of Correctional Services is faced with a challenge of keeping offenders qualifying for parole longer than necessary within a correctional centre. Most of offenders have not been released on parole because they do not have monitorable addresses.
- In addressing this, the department has formed partnerships with NPOs to support those offenders who have no monitorable addresses and support system by establishing halfway houses.
- In 2016/17 the department has entered into contractual agreements in FIVE (5) regions with 8 Halfway House agencies to support families and released offenders for successful reintegration.

Halfway House

Halfway House (HH)

REGION	HALFWAY HOUSES
Gauteng Region	Naturena
Eastern Cape Region	Vezokuhle Youth Development Project
Western Cape Region	Beauty For Ashes
Limpopo, Mpumalanga And North West Region	Xilembeni Halfway House
LMN	World Focus Victim
LMN	Klerksdorp One Foundation Halfway House Youth and Community Development

Support structures

- The undermentioned service providers are providing the following:
 - **Department of Environmental Affairs:** support the parolees and probationers by utilising them in cleaning of parks, grave yards, planting of trees in schools, renovation of schools, town halls and rehabilitating desks and broken windows.
 - **Department of Public Works:** partner with NPOs, NGOs, FBOs and CBOs to assist in skilling and training of parolees and probationers for job opportunities.
 - **Department of Social Development:** provide social relief of distress to parolees and probationers .
 - **NPOs:** support the parolees, probationers and ex – offenders with working tools (starter packs) for them to be able to have their own businesses and become entrepreneurs (self sufficient).
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Support structures

- **Kishugu Group:** (implementing agent of **working on fire**) in W/Cape, LMN and GP they trained parolees on veld fire fighting and employed them so that they can be able to put bread on the table for their families.
- **Working for water:** to train and employ parolees and probationers on environmental conservation initiatives. It enjoys sustained political support for its job creation efforts and the fight against poverty. Negotiations are in process .
- **Nunnovation Africa Foundation:** trained ten (10) parolees on ICT and Web Development and also placed them on experiential learning and provide them with a stipend of R2000 for six (6) months while on training. Three (3) learners passed the training and were placed in Braamfontein ADIC Company for experiential learning. Other five parolees were placed at Mo Africa Itlhokomele Educational Projects for further training.

Support structures

- **Moqhaka Development Agency:** trained parolees on plumbing, building, carpentry welding and employed them.
- The parolees are employed into various aspects of skills within the construction of low cost housing such as civil engineering, Horticulture, bricklaying by this NPO
- **Women of Value South Africa:** trained ten (10) female parolees on computer literacy and provide them with a stipend of R1500.00 while on training.
- **New Life After Prison:** assisted parolees with starter pack tools to open their own business such as welding machines, car wash machines and sewing machines.

Support structures

- **Nomasojabula Training Centre** assisted the department by training and hiring parolees with an N6 Engineering qualification as an End User Computer Training Facilitator/Moderator and one in the position of Skill Development and Training Practitioner (Mentor) who has a qualification in Building and Civil Construction.
- **City of Jo'burg's** Gateway project has employed ten (10) parolees in active construction projects which have seen more confidence in the employment marketing strategy of parolees and probationers at Johannesburg Community Liaison.

Support structures

- **Sekwanele Ex-Convict Reintegration Association of SA:** they assist in offering job placements to parolees and ex – offenders.
 - **Khulisa:** provide restorative justice to victims, facilitate VOD and reintegration programmes.
 - **FOCODI (Former Convicted Offenders Development Initiative):** provide reintegration, rehabilitation and skills development to offenders.
 - **FOVOC (Foundation for Victims of Crime):** they trace victims to participate in the parole board hearings.
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Support structures

A Partnership has been entered with **Bapong BaMogale Tribal Authority**, who provided 5 hectares of land for farming to the Department for Ex- Offenders (Parolees and Probationers), The cultivation has already began. This will help to creating employment for offenders and further enhance reintegration.

Service Points

- According to Batho Pele principles, access to information should be made available to the people.
 - The Department has established service points in order to bring community corrections services closer to the communities where the offenders are residing.
 - Since 2014, the Department managed to establish 424 service points nationally.
 - Since the establishment of service points, the number of violations have significantly decreased resulting in adherence to parole conditions by offenders.
 - The establishment of service points promotes partnerships with different stakeholders for a successful reintegration of offenders.
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Community Profiling

- To draw a full picture of communities where offenders comes from.
- This is done in order to identify resources and opportunities that are available within various communities.
- To encourage collaboration between individuals and organizations for the purpose of joint partnerships.
- To expand the base for community support for offenders that return to the community.
- The Department has entered into agreement with University of Zululand, Venda, UNISA and Kwa-Zulu Natal Universities.
- By the end of the second quarter for the year under review the Department managed to establish 79 Community Profiles nationally.

Outreach Activities

- The Department hosted ex-offender work sessions in the Eastern Cape, Gauteng, Western Cape and Freestate/Northern Cape as part of our on-going work to help with rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders back to the communities.
- More than three hundred ex-offenders attended this session, coupled with NGO's Cluster Departments, Provincial and Local government, with the intension to empower them to establish ex – offenders desks.

Outreach Activities (Cont...)

- The Department hosted a special female ex-offender Entrepreneur Development session in partnership with Still rise, more that forty (40) female Ex-Offenders received information from successful women in business on how to start their own business. They also received motivational and spiritual counselling.

Outreach Activities (Cont...)

- On special Project;

The Department is currently reviving Community Correction Forums throughout all Management Areas as part of our ongoing work to strengthen Community safety forums. The aim is to put communities in the centre of the work of Corrections and forge partnerships with relevant stakeholders to fight crime, help with poverty alleviation programs and strengthen and market Restorative justice in our communities

Outreach Activities (Cont...)

- Ongoing partnerships with Government departments:

Currently work is being done on concluding a MOU with the Department of Social Development, SASSA, Home Affairs and Department of Labour, several meetings are already being held to conclude this process. The aim of this partnerships is to provide support to Ex-Offenders as part of vulnerable groups to reintegrate back to communities and prevent re-offending.

Restorative Justice

- The Department since 2012 has committed itself in reviewing its approach on RJ with the aim of placing victims at the centre of its activities.
 - The victim is afforded an opportunity to express voluntary desire to engage the offender and seek answers like how and why crime happened.
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Restorative Justice

- In addressing the participation of victims in our activities the Department has contracted 63 Auxiliary Social Workers to trace and prepare victims.
 - We are in a process of reviewing the RJ policy and we will incorporate provisions of the Child Justice Act in the RJ policy.
 - We have formed partnerships and collaborative arrangements with religious leaders, NPO's and traditional leaders. These partnerships strengthen support mechanisms for victims/offended, offenders, parolees and probationers. We see them playing a major role in the successful reintegration of offenders into their communities.
 - DCS is an active participant in the VEP Forum, the VEP Forum plays an important role in public education, awareness campaigns on victims' rights, and services for victims of crime.
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RJ Partnerships

- FS/NC Region – CRC Church in Bloemfontein , the partnership has been extended to cover other provinces
 - Eastern Cape – 12 Apostles Church in Christ
 - LMN Region -Christ Worship House- Thohoyandou
 - KZN Region – DCS Partnered with Churches and Ukhozi FM at the Durban Management Area
 - WC – Hope Prison Ministry offered DCS 9 restorative justice facilitators for a VOD at Brandvlei Management Area. The church is also doing Family and Offender Mediation
 - FOVOC is an NPO working with the victims of crime. They trace and prepare victims for RJ
 - NPOs through the VEP Forums –
 - Traditional leaders are part of VOD Forums
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RJ Partnerships

- The restitution foundation and Khulumani are working with the victims and offender of the Worcester Bombing.
 - UKZN College of Humanities – to train DCS personnel on the facilitation of VOD's
 - Prison Care and Support Network- provide Restorative Justice to offenders and victims.
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Challenges

- Budgetary Constraints
 - Funding model for NPOs
 - Victim participation
 - Criminal record expungement
 - Stigmatisation
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