

IN THE CHILD PROTECT FIELD

The Child Protection Week Campaign is in June 2019 the Campaign, initiated in 1997, to raise awareness and mobilize communities to care and protect children from abuse, neglect, exploitation and from all forms of violence. The 2019 CPW will be marking a 365 day of the commurial of the child protection campaign during June 2019. We have trained change agents on the leadership for results on community capacity enhancement. This is in order to do the dialoging with the community and the children .The change agents with the UNDP has identified a core set of human rights principals that guides our response that equality nondiscrimination human dignity, no violence anticipation included, accountability and responsibility their principles are at upon the promotion during community dialogs.

In his duration, our Founder/Director is working 365 days a year with the Child Protection by promoting the protection development and well-being of Children plus providing information rights and responsibilities in all spheres of Government. He has been very valuable in structuring Child Protection policies and legislation during his leadership. He is in partnership with many NGO's in Child Protection issues. His relationship with all Government Departments has provided him with high quality facilitator who is qualified and current in the Child Protection field. He has been very successful in prevention of abuse and neglect especially children of youth headed households and children with special needs and disabilities. Being highly qualified in this field various Government Departments are negotiating with each other to gain Martins knowledge and expertise. He is a successful leader who strives to develop and has the ability to negotiate in a winning team. When Martin is required to attend conferences strategic plan meetings etc., he is always willing and able. All Government Departments commend Martin in all his abilities and pleasant approach to all. We look forward to a continued and supportive relationship with Martin in years to come.

The best interest of the child: This principal governs all our work. Child-Centeredness: Provide child-centred services that take cognisance of the rights of children and young people and preserve the family unit where possible Child Participation: Ensure children's voices are heard in all of our projects Accountability: Remain accountable to the children we serve, the social work profession, our partners and the Chubby Chums team. Transparency: Remain transparent in all aspects of service delivery Respect: Demonstrate respect for persons of all class, race, language, religious, cultural and sexual orientations Communication: Maintain open and direct communication Representation: Reflect all South African cultures in our management team, and Development and Empowerment: Develop efficient and effective staff, volunteers, organisational structures, policies and procedures that will enhance service delivery to children Confidentiality: Work within a development model of social service delivery that respects the client's right to confidentiality within the limitations of the child protection system. These values enable us to deliver efficient, effective, specialised, culturally sensitive, accessible and supportive social.

The ability of an organisation to reach it goals depends on the attitudes, skills and knowledge of volunteers, which are gained from training and development. Child protection is a specialised field that requires people who are not only passionate but also competent in their field so that they are able to meet the complex needs of the beneficiaries. We recognise that on-going professional development and the development of skills is necessary to ensure that those who are providing services to our Children clients have the skills needed to provide services of a high quality, and that they feel confident in doing so. Our training and development department has both an internal and external component Facilitate parent talks and workshops on child rights issues and Positive Parenting skills for parents at clinics and schools on demand. Positive parenting sessions are held to encourage supportive parenting. Together with local Child Protection Partners we will create and implement activities to raise awareness on child protection issues

Planned Activities in the Child Protection Committee's

The Child Protection unit and the Committee's will provide counselling, support, referrals and information to children in an ethical and professional manner. Facilitation of child protection interventions through referrals to our partner Organisations is available at all times

Counsellors will respond sensitively to the needs of children. We recognize that any form of disclosure is difficult to verbalize. Research conducted in South Africa has shown that children will phone up to the SAPS 10111 before they have enough courage to talk to the counsellor about the problem troubling them

We will recruit, select and train new counsellors in order to ensure that the 10111 lines are covered adequately at all times and to minimize abandoned calls

We continue to contribute to youth development in training and mentoring students and interns from the Foundation for Professional Development services in child protection

Supervisors and counsellors will receive on-going training in the form of case discussions, group supervision and monthly workshops. Specific focus will be given to statutory processes and the implementation of the Children's Act

In order to increase our social service delivery and to maintain the standards set by the SA Council for Social Service professionals in the child protection field

Professions, on-going supervision and support will be provided to our Social Auxiliary Workers in child protection

Our experience at Chubby Chums well-known brand and our grassroots Community Centers gives us a unique position from which to intervene effectively to strengthen families and communities, promoting the African concept that children are central to our future.

We remain concerned for young people growing up in Gauteng with our rapid urbanization, informal settlements, single parent or child headed households, increased maternal HIV infection rate, poverty and difficulty in accessing child protection and other essential services. We seek to maximize our impact through continued services, digital information dissemination to empower communities to deal with these social ills and promote positive transformation.

The child protection committees in Gauteng makes sure that the child protection business of child safety and positive development. Each year, we try to increase or enhance the services we offer to the community in order to build a caring environment for every child in our province. In the next year, our focus will be on programming in the child protection committee's for children and sustainability of our, child protection committee's to ensure that the child safety net is sustained.

The child protection services focuses on four specific areas of intervention: crisis intervention, facilitation of child protection, a referral and advisory service and counselling. Trained counsellors provide support, information and appropriate intervention including risk assessment, in the preferred language of the child on issues such as: the physical, sexual and emotional abuse and neglect of children; adult survivors of abuse; perpetrators of abuse and sexual offenders; trafficking, abduction and prostitution of young boys and girls; exposure and witness to domestic and criminal violence; internet pornography; sexuality and gender discrimination; poverty, homelessness, begging and referrals for social grants; behavioral problems; family relationships and parenting skills; legal issues, maintenance, divorce, corporal punishment; bullying and school-related problems e.g. bursaries and school fees; disabled children at risk; physical health e.g. anorexia and emotional health e.g. depression and suicide; substance abuse; HIV/AIDS, child-headed households and bereavement; foreign nationals and refugee children.

Our Director is very involved in the children's Parliament the team has established a children's Parliament with the Nelson Mandela's and social development where the team takes the children to the Parliament this is how we get children's participation and we hear the children's voices. Nine provinces has a child ambassador who speaks on behalf of the children, all children interface with all the ministers at all levels.

Our child ambassador's focuses on workshops will be on affording children to make inputs on several strategies for ending violence against children. The children's parliament has progressed so much that they have done their own South African manifesto on speaking on issues of children., and the children's manifesto this year 2019 has first gone to the ministers, then it has gone to the parliament and then handed over to the President., to make sure the children's participation ensures children's voices to be heard.

Child Protection Is EVERYBODY'S Business
Nobody has the Right to abuse you
Be aware, be Safe.

Government cannot eliminate the scourge on its own and a multi-sector response is required to address and end child abuse, neglect and exploitation that's why we are working with Social Development as a team.

Working Together to Stop Child Abuse.
Working Together to Stop Child Neglect.
Working Together to Stop Child Exploitation.
Working Together to Promote the Importance of ECD.
Working Together to Report Child Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation
So please help us to help others children

Working collectively to brighten the light in and around every child has been very successful in the healing of child survivors. The establishment of culture of the respect for all Children's Rights as outlined in South African Bill of Rights and Constitution is essential to the continued well-being of our communities and the future stability of our country.

Networking with all stakeholders within the field of Child Protection to combat violence against Children and Youth. Child participation ensures Children's voices are heard in all our projects. The best interest of the Child this principal governs all our work in the Children Act. We empower both children and adults, thereby preventing Child Abuse and ensuring early intervention in case of Child Abuse and Neglect.

The home is like a Safe House to us in our work that started as an after-hours service for abused and abandoned Children. With traditional organizations closed at night and during weekends, many traumatised children were in the unfortunate position of having to stay at police stations until the Welfare Agencies opened their doors for office hours. This constituted secondary trauma for the Child.

We continue to work in partnership with other Organizations to improve Child Protection services. We are gratified by our positive relationships with the Gauteng Departments of Health & Social Development, Department of Education and Criminal Justice System including the SA Police Service and our other organizations: This gives us great opportunities to our vision of 'working collectively to brighten the light in and around every CHILD and we look forward to a time when Children's rights are honoured by all in Gauteng.

CHILD PROTECTION UNITS

We would like to inform the public that the Child Protection Units are coming back into full force; they will be linked with the FCS (Family Violence Child Protection and Sexual offenders). There always has been a complete Child Protection Unit, situated in the Batho Pele, Building 91, Commissioner Street Johannesburg. For further information, kindly visit our website www.chubbychums1.co.za.

Chubby Chums is in partnership with Child Protection Units and is a Child Protection Officer in the Johannesburg and Far East Rand regions Our Founder/Director has a high position in the Child Protection field Gauteng. He has become a Child Campaigner. He works with Child Protection & Treatment Services. We remove abandoned

children from hospitals and clinics .We deal with public complaints concerning children's issues. We complete a form 36/22/23 of Child Care Act and this will allow us to have all the information we need. After that it is registered in the Child Protection Register for Child Abuse Neglect & Exploitation. Child Protection cross-cutting all issues of children under the age of 18 years.

This information is considered strictly confidential and can only be used by the Child Protection team, Courts and all Social workers. These are the procedures of the Children's Act no 38 of the 2005 Government Gazette. These children are physically, mentally and sexually abused, abandoned. At this point the District Surgeon who then supplies us with a full medical report examines of the Child and a J88. We then call the intake Social Worker where we jointly assess the child. A form a 22 / 23 36 is then issued with a Court Order. The Child Protection Officer takes the form to Court, the Judge stamps the form. The Judge determines as to where the Child should be placed in a case of Child Abuse, Neglect & Exploitation.

We work with Teddy Bear Clinic who does assist us by doing the court preparations with the children we then monitor the child on a day-to-day basis to see if the child copes. We work very closely with the intake Social workers, Child and Youth Care Centers, Social Workers and the Court Social Workers all the Child Protection units are on standby 24/7. We are also on standby 24hrs a day 7 days a week. Protecting children is everybody's business. Communities who care report Child Abuse. You can report any form of abuse at any organization working with children or at your local SAP, Police official, Social Development never turn a Child away, don't look the other way, act against abuse, when a child needs help!! We enhancing all campaign are done for child protection

Chubby Chums in partnership with Child Protection Units, Forum, Committees plan functions for the Child Protection week, School holiday Programs, School visit, Scholl Talks and Fun days .We are now in the process of doing programs, campaigning for Child Protection that is a daily function. Our Founder/Director has been trained in all the Protocols of the child Protection procedures. Chubby Chums is one of the officers of the right to children. He works with a number of clinics counseling physical therapy, courts, Child Protection treatments and services are there to minimize trauma for the child and always putting the child first. The roll players co-coordinators assist with child cases, we all so make sure the all principles of the Children's Act of 2005 are meet.

We are aware that there are lots of children abandoned, abused and sexually molested. We assist children with mental health issues i.e.: Physically Disabled. We deal with a lot of sex offenders. We try and get the communities involved at all times. Every year on the 1st of June we celebrate International Children's Day Child Protection Week, which is from normally 29 May to 4 June. At these events we try to target children who are disadvantaged, by giving them entertainment during school holidays and having a school holiday program. The Provincial/Local Departments get together with registered NGO's to be roll players for the children. By this we try and educate the public on protocols on how to protect your child and to explain to the public how the child protection system works. Teaching the public their rights and responsibilities, do you know where to report child abuse? Do you know there are many adults who really don't give a dam? The Regional Committee's is responsible for Child Protection week.

Child protection deals with cases victims who are from birth to the age 18 years. The following crimes are investigated: Rape, indecent assault, statutory rape sexual intercourse with (girls under the age of 16) Attempted murder and assault, GBH (Grievous bodily harm) Common assault if a child is 3 years or younger and the assault occurs more than once. Kidnapping/abduction, kidnapping for purposes of sexual exploitation/marriages, application, Crimes as contained in the domestic violence and the Child Care Act and films and publications act, illegal withholding / removing a child from their legal guardian including trafficking or contravening a court order with respect to abandoning a child.



**Green means life, Green means growth, Lets conserve our children, give them hope.
Wear a green ribbon to show you care and support. Stand up,**

***Be committed and protect a child
So when you see someone wearing a green ribbon just think
A about supporting Child protection***

The Green Ribbon lets victims and survivors know that we are united in their support. It emphasizes the importance of partnerships to tackle child abuse, neglect and exploitation. Wearing the Green Ribbon is an ongoing activity to show a person's commitment for the protection of children and will be marketed strongly during the Child Protection Week.

Let us strengthen our collective efforts against child abuse, neglect and exploitation

Child Protection Week ushers us in a period in which all of us could ensure that children are protected from all forms of abuse, neglect and exploitation. Government cannot eliminate the scourge on its own and a multi-sector response is required to address and end child abuse, neglect and exploitation. The partnership between Government, the non-Governmental sector, the media, organized Labour and civil society, is essential, for preventing child abuse, neglect and exploitation.