



Province of the
EASTERN CAPE

Department of Safety & Liaison

PROVINCIAL CRIME PREVENTION STRATEGY (PCPS)

A Multi-Agency Collaboration



Background

- ⌚ March 2005 Provincial Executive Council approved process
- ⌚ Department of Safety & Liaison to be lead department and provide new focus on crime prevention efforts
- ⌚ Lay out clearly what is required of other departments
- ⌚ The roles of local authorities

PCPS Characteristics

- ⌚ Based on the principle of the NCPS;
- ⌚ Links closely to the Provincial Growth and Development Plan (PGDP)
- ⌚ Will not “recreate the wheel” but will be implemented through existing structures such as the Social Needs Cluster, Community Safety Forums, CPFs, Ward Committees, etc

PCPS Objectives

- ⌚ During the forthcoming 5 year period, to reduce crime, particularly those involving interpersonal violence and corruption in the Eastern Cape;
- ⌚ Improved multi-agency collaboration in crime prevention matters resulting in improved service delivery and perceptions of safety;
- ⌚ Present a clear, easily understood policy framework to guide crime prevention activities and expenditures by government agencies.

Key Features of EC Crimes Patterns

- ⌘ High levels of interpersonal violence (rape, murder, etc.) - assaults and sexual violence against women and children of particular concern;
- ⌘ Most violent crime takes place between people who know each other;
- ⌘ Most interpersonal violence involves the prior consumption of alcohol;
- ⌘ Corruption involving government officials causes major concern and impacts negatively on investor confidence and economic growth prospects.

4 Pillars of PCPS

- ☞ Strengthen communities
- ☞ Prevent violence
- ☞ Prevent corruption
- ☞ Strengthen Criminal Justice System

Pillar 1: Strengthening Communities against Crime

Aim:

- ⌚ Rebuild and restore the social fabric of the Eastern Cape
- ⌚ Increase the resilience of communities and individuals against crime
- ⌚ Reduce participation in crime
- ⌚ Reduce the risk of criminal victimisation
- ⌚ Change the behaviour of offenders, potential offenders and victims

How:

- ⌚ Public education and messaging
- ⌚ Community mobilisation against crime
- ⌚ Strengthen families, parenting and life skill, through education, training, care and support

Who:

- ⌚ Department of Safety and Liaison
- ⌚ Department of Social Development

Pillars 2: Preventing Violence

Aim:

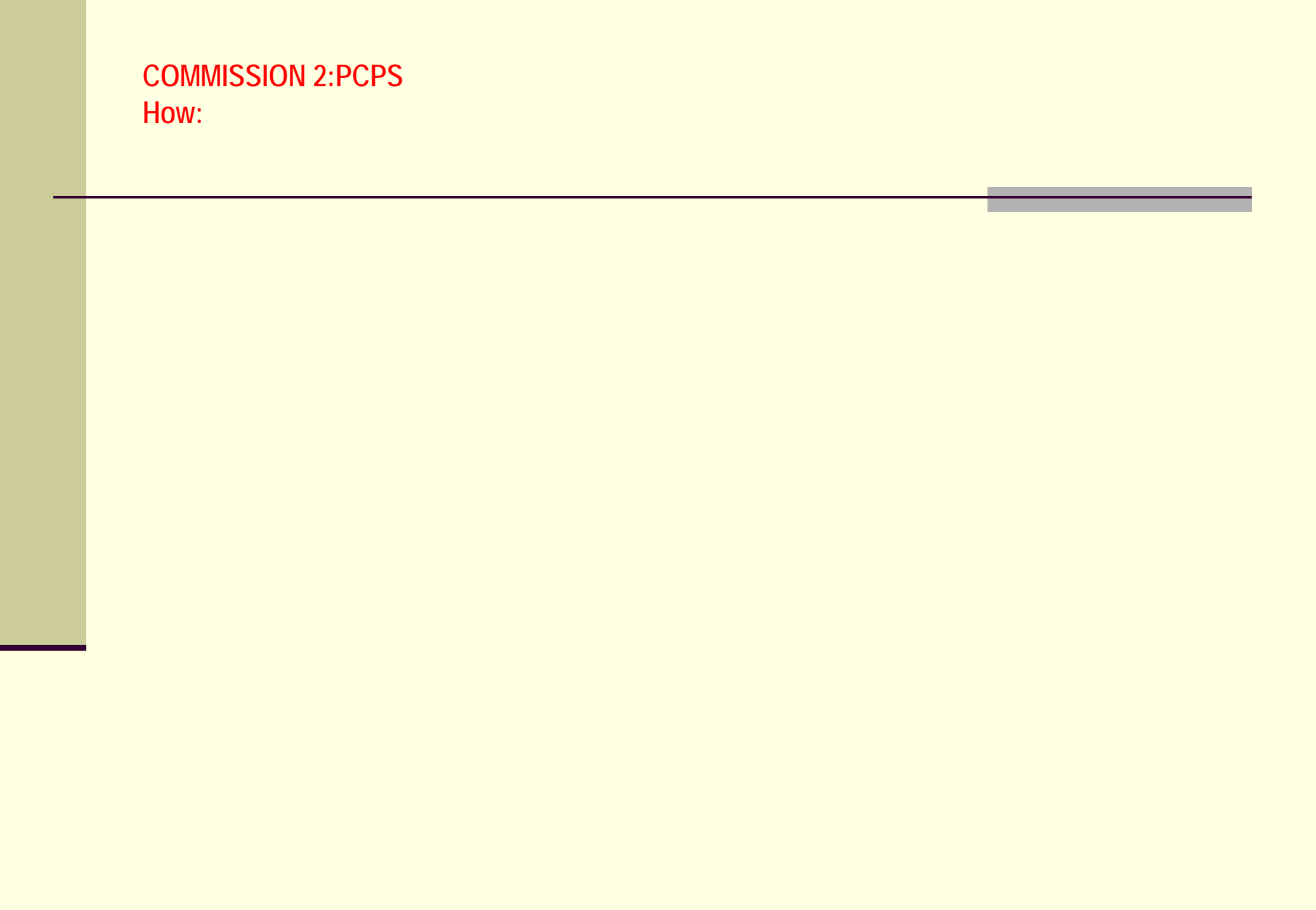
- ⌘ Reduce the negative effects of criminal victimisation
- ⌘ Prevent secondary re-victimisation
- ⌘ Prevention victims from becoming future perpetrators
- ⌘ Prevent disputes from becoming violent
- ⌘ Break the casual link between alcohol and violence
- ⌘ Prevent repeat offenders, particularly incidents of violence

How:

- ⌚ Victim Empowerment- supporting and providing services to victims
- ⌚ Reduce the carrying and use of weapons
- ⌚ Ensuring that public spaces are clean and safe
- ⌚ Controlling the public supply of alcohol, and educating the public in the responsible use
- ⌚ Improved the rehabilitation of offenders

COMMISSION 2:PCPS

How:



Cause (can be turned to be a solution)

Who:

- ⌘ Department of Safety & Liaison
- ⌘ Department of Social Development (Victim Empowerment)
- ⌘ Municipalities (Safer places)

Pillar 3: Preventing Corruption

Aim:

- ⌄ Reduce corruption in the province
- ⌄ Change perceptions about corruption in the province

Who:

- ⌄ Office of the Premier (anti-corruption unit)
- ⌄ SAPS, Department of Safety and Liaison

Pillar 4: Strengthen the Criminal Justice System

Aim:

- ⌚ Improve the effectiveness of the criminal justice systems, and so deter potential offenders
- ⌚ Provide better services to services to victims of crimes
- ⌚ Restore public confidence in the criminal justice systems

How:

- ⌌ Modernisation of the CJS in the province
- ⌌ Enhancing co-operation between role-players
- ⌌ Implementation of various relevant Acts and Charters
- ⌌ Training of staff

Who:

- ⌌ Department of Justice

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■ Prevent Violence

- Use PCPS as tool to fight crime
 - Awareness campaign
 - Public education
- Encourage community participation
 - Identify hot spots
 - Report criminal activities
- Establish initiatives like:
 - Committees
 - Neighbourhood Watch (Your child is my child)
- Engage other Gvt Depts. e.g. Local Government –lights- types of houses(that contribute to crime-Arts & Culture-sport and recreation);Dept of.. Mprove road conditions
- Engage NGOs and CBOs
- Engage Liquor Board; Tavern ownersn –control liquor outlets
- Sensitise children about crime at a very early stage

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- Promote Moral Regeneration Movement
- Promote good family values
- Making Police Stations accessible to the communities they service
- CPF members to be exemplary-not be involved in criminal activities

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Prevent Corruption

- Encourage community to inform police about corruption (Report & reject corruption)
- Oppose bail
- Supply information to DSD about fraudulent grants
- Encourage community members to be witnesses
- Victims of corruption to be given support
- Encourage Home Affairs to correct ages of offenders
- Data base for corrupters & corruptees "name & shame them"
- Review remuneration packages
- Teach communities about Human Rights
- Induct government employees –so to be aware of corruption
- Strengthen communication-awareness of systems available dealing with corruption-
Advertise toll-free anti-corruption number
- Educate communities

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Strengthen CJS

- Establish CJF
- Build sound relations between community & CJS
 - CJS to have monthly Imbizos with community
 - CPF mediate between CJS & Community
- Engagement of all law & enforcement depts
 - SAPS
 - DoJ & C D
 - NPA
 - Traffic Dept
- Community correction by DCS- to participate ???/
- Strengthen co-operation between detectives & prosecutors
- Lawyers should work with detectives
 - Alleviate bureaucracy & secrecy
 - Quality assurance
- Capacitate law enforcers with new developments /prescripts/ new legal frameworks
- NPA make initiatives & programmes transparent
 - Witness protection programmes