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Khayelitsha Crime Prevention Imbizo

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The Khayelitsha Community has suffered severely from incidents of mass murders linked to extortion over the period of last two years which escalated to Cape Town Metro areas in the Western Cape and other parts of South Africa. The Minister of Police General Bheki Cele has made interventions through the deployment of policing resources such as additional police personnel, vehicles and mobilization of other spheres of government to support the efforts to change the existing obstacles hindering effective policing. Issues such as the current environmental design, the increased population, and expanded informal settlement areas through illegal land invasion, have been highlighted as major problems for policing and requiring an integrated approach and response.

Khayelitsha Development Forum in collaboration with Community Police Forums and Neighbourhood Watches convened a Crisis Response Summit to outline what type of interventions were required with the involvement of all role players which culminated in a Crime Prevention Imbizo, on 18 July 2022. The Imbizo was also attended by the Minister of Police, other departments or entities and the City of Cape Town to respond to the needs or outcomes report from the Summit.



Minister of Police General Bheki Cele, MEC for Community Safety Mr Reagan Allen, Provincial Commissioner Lt. General Thembisile Phathekile, and the Provincial CPF Board Chairperson Ms Frances Lukas addressing the audience during the Imbizo.



KDF Chairperson, Mr Ndithini Thyido reflecting on the proposals made from the summit, GBVF NGOs Coalition representative, Ms Nonzame Sili highlighting the plight of women and vulnerable sectors as stipulated by the GBVF Summit Commission, Youth and Neighbourhood Watch Members outlining the types of motivation for their sectors to continue boosting the fight against crime in their streets.



The community members who attended the Khayelitsha Crime Prevention Imbizo. Senior Police Management Team led by the Police Minister, Deputy Minister with MEC and Community Stakeholders engaging on what sustainable solutions and methods or strategies that must be applied in improving policing to combat all forms of violent crimes in Cape Town.

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