## **NATIONAL BLITZ: NELSON MANDELA BAY**

The spate of rape, domestic violence and murder of women and children in our country is increasing every day. As a responsible citizenry, we should all take a stand and condemn rape and any act of violence meted at women and children. It is against this background that GCIS partnered with the Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality, various civil society organisations, Faith Based Organisations, government departments and community to make voices heard against these barbaric acts and call for all as proud South Africans to stand up and act. The purpose of the activity was:

- To raise public awareness and educate communities about the scourge of rape that is in the country
- To mobilise partners and society to stand up and act against abuse



Figure 1: YAC Official Phumzile, NMBM



Figure 2: Mabhuti Dano Constituency Services NMBM, handing over leaflets



Figure 3: SASSA Official interacting with vendors



Figure 4: P. Ntanta GCIS handing out leaflets



Figure 5:SASSA Official handing over leaflets for a morning read



Figure 6: Thabisa Nxumalo, Constituency Services NMBM handing out leaflets



Figure 7:Cllr Desi, Portfolio Head of Constituency Services interacting with the public



Figure 8: Cllr Desi and Mr Kutta from the Office of the Premier having a man to man discussion



Figure 9: Department of Justice Official having a discussion at the Taxi Rank



Figure 10: Portia Mlisa, interacting with the public

## **Media Briefing**



Figure 11: Executive Mayor Cllr Ben Fihla, Cllr Desi, Andy Kawa and Portia Mlisa as the Programme Director



Figure 12: The attendees at the media briefing



Figure 13: Closure of the briefing, holding hands in unity to fight against violence



Figure 14: The public holding hands in support of the fight against violence

## March to the High Court



Figure 15: Executive Mayor Cllr Ben Fihla at the start point of the March, City HAll



Figure 16: Getting ready for the March to the High Court



Figure 17: On the way to the Court



Figure 18:The Public marching to hand in the petition



Figure 19: St Johns Church Band leading the march to the High Court



Figure 20: The band and public marching up Western Road



Figure 21: The March led by Executive Mayor Cllr Benson Fihla as we arrived at High Court



Figure 22: Arrival at High Court

## **DIALOGUE**



Figure 23: Participants at 16 Days of activism Dialogue at Wool Board



Figure 24: Participants during the dialogue