



**Women's Charter for
Accelerating Development
Report Back Session.**

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SUSTAINING GROWTH
THROUGH OUR PEOPLE



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BRIEF BACKGROUND

- CHDM is Category C municipality situated in the north-eastern part of the Eastern Cape, a linking node to all regions in the province.
- Bordered by the Joe Gqabi District to the north, Cacadu and Amathole District to the south, OR Tambo District to the east, and Northern Cape to the west.
- 2nd largest district in the province, making up almost a third of its geographical area.
- Comprises six local municipalities: Inxuba Yethemba, Enoch Mgijima, Intsika Yethu, AB Xuma, Sakhisizwe and Emalahleni.
- The current statistics of the District depicts that there are 452 780 females and 419 685 males.



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DISTRICT GENDER MACHINERY

There are structures in place within the district and local municipalities focusing at advancing the gender equality agenda and these include:

Women's Forum (Special Programmes Unit)

- The Women's Forum has been established at the district level
- Four LMs have already established theirs with two other LMs due to sit in October to establish these.

Women's Caucus (Office of the Speaker)

- The committee deals with women's issues across the district and ensures quarterly sitting of district women's caucus meetings and Women Caucus Chairpersons from Local Municipalities



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WOMEN'S FORUM FUNCTIONALITY

- ❑ The District Women's Forum is functional, sits on a quarterly basis and was elected in 2018 comprising representatives from all local municipalities.
- ❑ The structure is due for re-election and focuses on the following:
 - Coordination and implementation of women's programmes in the district
 - Advocate for the implementation of women's programmes in the district working closely with SPU.
 - Ensuring participation of women in the development of responsive programmes targeting women in the district.
 - A gender mainstreaming strategy and implementation plan is in place and currently under review.
- ❑ The structure is budgeted for within the budget of the Special Programmes Unit to ensure gender mainstreaming in programming.
- ❑ Various programme initiatives have been carried out in an organized and consistent manner across the different initiatives with clear coordination, resulting in sector-wide impact in partnership with local municipalities and relevant stakeholders. These initiatives include:



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GENDER BASED VIOLENCE INTERVENTION MEASURES

Programmes	Objectives
16 Days of Activism against Women and Children (Ezingqolweni)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure mass mobilization of human and financial resources for the effective implementation of victim support programmes focusing on ending raging violence in Ezingqolweni village and mitigating its effects. <input type="checkbox"/> To empower community through skills development and training to maximize safety of the population. <input type="checkbox"/> Encourage an active and community safety awareness of all people in the village. <input type="checkbox"/> Encourage participation of community and government in joint safety programmes.
GBV Awareness Campaign (McBride)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Same as above
GBVF Establishment of Rapid Response Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> (GBVF RRTs) are Multi-Stakeholder Structures that have been recommended by the NSP on GBVF to enable coordination of multi stakeholder efforts in the fight against GBVF. A number of KEY stakeholders are participants these are: Government departments, relevant state funded entities, international development institutions that are represented in the community, non governmental organisations representing various interest groups, different community sectors like the traditional leaders, traditional healers, religious leaders, institutions of higher learning represented in the area, organised groups of professionals (school principals,), other community interest groups (LGBQTIA+ persons, persons with disabilities, youth) and other community formations.
Nyamukara Women Empowerment Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The programme is focused on transformation of lives through capacity building and skills development which will provide women survivors with tangible skills to enable them to reclaim their lives and dignity.
Moral Regenartion Movement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> To improve and construct accepted human behavior and character including focus on GBV rife areas and partnership with other existing structures.
Women's Caucus	Dealing with women's issues across the district, improve and develop women's capacity through various



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LED PROGRAMMES

- CHDM has made a noticeable dent through Local Economic Development programmes with women as beneficiaries and receiving support in some of these to root out joblessness in many parts of the district.
- The district is currently implementing various programmes ranging from Tourism, Heritage and Agriculture where women are also participants.
- There are **Irrigation schemes programmes** such as vegetable production which benefits women and the majority of Co-ops are led by women: CDHM annually provides a budget allocation of R750 000.00 towards these.
- On **Grain producing programme** (Rafi) has women Co-ops that are benefiting, where the district invests R1 million annually.
- Heritage events are largely led by women and these are supported annually, where the district invests varying amounts but current year is R1,8 million



LED PROGRAMMES

- **Skills training programmes** through various SETAs benefit learners whom females are a majority.
- **Food security programme** where women are supported with vegetable seedlings, piggery, poultry and animal feed each year, with varying investment from R200 000 to R500 000 each year.



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !

A close-up photograph of two hands shaking, symbolizing agreement or partnership. The hands are positioned in the center of the frame, with the fingers interlaced. The background is blurred, showing the colors of a flag (red, white, and green).