UPDATES:

- Let's make our community safer, together. During the first week of July community safety
 practitioners from around the country took part in a VCP facilitators' training on the Toolkit for
 Participatory Safety Planning. Check it out, it's a great resource for community engagement
 around safety discussions, roleplays and community mapping included. Contact: <u>Thulani</u>
 <u>Mahlangu</u>. (GIZ-VCP)
- On Youth Day 2016, the <u>Ulutsha Street Festival</u> took place in Walmer Township (NMBM) where over a thousand residents experienced their neighbourhood as a safe space, worth loving and protecting. Contacts: <u>Jonas Schumacher</u> (Masifunde Learner Development); <u>Jessie Bohr</u> (GIZ-VCP).
- In July, the Eastern Cape Department of Safety and Liaison officially launched the <u>Eastern Cape Provincial Safety Strategy</u>. Contact: <u>Pumla Nqakula</u> (Eastern Cape Department of Safety and Liaison).
- The past three months saw a joint implementation of the Capacity Assessment between the Department of Safety and Liaison and GIZ-VCP, to design a realistic and results-oriented capacity development strategy for building safer communities and the support of the Provincial Safety Strategy in the Eastern Cape. At a final workshop with all relevant partners in Bhisho in August a draft implementation plan was produced for the programme to kick off in September. Contact: Pumla Nqakula (Eastern Cape Department of Safety and Liaison).
- On 20th of June the Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation kicked off a pilot project on the institutionalization of violence prevention measures in the Community Work Programme (CWP), to be implemented in conjunction with the Department of Cooperative Governance and GIZ-VCP. The pilot will be implemented in Gauteng at CWP sites in Erasmus, Orange Farm, Ivory Park and Tembisa. Contact: Maximilian Vogt (GIZ-VCP).
- How do we realize the integrated and inclusive approach to violence prevention practically? From 21st to 24th June some core implementing partners of VCP came together for a training on facilitating multi-stakeholder engagement. The training, conducted by the Collective Leadership Institute, focused on tools and methods for strengthening stakeholder processes in various collaborative activities. Contact: Maximilian Vogt. (GIZ-VCP).





 Masifunde Learner Development's Youth for Safer Communities (YSC) project, implemented with the support of GIZ-VCP, joined forces with the Eastern Cape Department of Education and the Project for Conflict Resolution and Development (PCRD) to officially launch the Nelson Mandela Bay Safer Schools Network on the 28th July 2016, in Port Elizabeth. Contact <u>Shane Mangcangaza</u> (Masifunde Learner Development).

COMING UP:

- 6-7 September 2016 | WHO Violence Prevention Alliance 2016 Annual Meeting | Cape Town
- 8-9 September 2016 | <u>International Conference on Violence Prevention: From Scientific Excellence to Effective Practice</u> | Cape Town, WHO Violence Prevention Alliance & UCT Safety and Violence Initiative.

PUBLICATIONS AND RESOURCES:

- Cabinet recently adopted the <u>White Paper on Safety and Security</u> and the <u>Integrated Urban</u> <u>Development Framework</u> and its <u>Implementation Plan</u>
- The inaugural edition of the <u>State of Urban Safety in South Africa Report</u> was recently published by the South African Cities <u>Urban Safety Reference Group</u>, which is convened by the South African Cities Network (SACN) with the support of GIZ-VCP.
- A summary article on the report is available here. The SACN recently published its 2016 State of the Cities Report. A "People's Guide" to the report has also been released. Look out for the urban safety content!
- The SACN has also recently launched the online <u>SA Cities Open Data Almanac</u>, which includes an Urban Crime Index for the member cities of the network.

NEW SAFERSPACES CONTENT:

- Blog | "Making the Number positive": Addressing youth needs that gangs fulfil
- Understand | <u>Positive parenting in South Africa key to development and violence prevention</u>
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 North Park Upgrade Pilot
- Be Inspired | <u>INGWE Youth Development Programme</u>

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