# COALTION FOR ACCESS TO JUSTICE 2020 CONSITUTIONALISM FUND ANNUAL REPORT

# 1. Background

The Coalition for Access to Justice is a partnership between three organisations SCAT, AULAI Trust and CCJD with working in partnership with community based advice offices (CAOs) and other organisations in the access to justice sector, in order to promote Constitutionalism, awareness of human rights and ensure the provision of quality, free paralegal services to all in South Africa. To this extent the coalition aims to reach 65 communities across seven provinces in South Africa, all of which are poor and marginalised.

The Constitutional Fund has in 2019 approved a R6m grant over a three-year period to the Coalition to fulfil its mission and objectives as contained in their proposal, namely:

- To ensure a sustained community based paralegal service accessible to the grassroots, which is professional and accountable, and focuses on the rights of vulnerable people in South Africa.
- To contribute to building the access to justice sector and ensure that capacity building needs of paralegals and governance structures of CAOs are met.
- To promote human rights awareness in vulnerable communities in South Africa.
- To contribute to knowledge of the sector and use this to empower paralegals to influence policy

The summary report below and the attached coalition partners' reports provides feedback on the activities of the coalition for the 12-month reporting period ending December 2020, and future plans for 2021.

# 2. Organisational sustainability and transformation

All the coalition partners have during this reporting period maintained strong and well-functioning governance and management structures. The boards of the coalition members continued to meet and exercise their oversight and fiduciary duties. There were however minor changes in the governance structures of the coalition partners, i.e. appointment of additional members to the board of Trustees or management boards. We are sad though to report the loss of life of one of our leaders, namely Schalk van der Merwe formerly Director of the AULAI Trust early in May 2020. Either than that, the leadership structures of the coalition partners remained the same during this reporting period.

Despite the impact of the pandemic on the operations of the coalition partners, the partners were still able to operate even though remotely whilst at the same time ensuring that their office premises are COVID-19 compliant. This was made possible by the use of available media and communication platforms, such as Zoom, Microsoft Teams, etc.

#### 3. Coalition activities in 2020

- 3.1 The coalition partners continued to support and capacitate 65 community based organisation in order for them to render much needed access to justice services in their respective communities. This was in the form of grant funding support, capacity building and on-site support and monitoring by the staff of the coalition members. In total the coalition partner organisations have attended to an estimated 67 000 clients in their respective communities.
- 3.2 SCAT and AULAI Trust collaborated in a Mediation and Conciliation workshop for 12 CBOs in the Eastern Cape.
- 3.3 The coalition partners participated in consultation workshops with the Foundation for Human Rights and the Department of Justice on the Policy Paper for the Recognition of Community Based Advice Offices. In addition, the coalition led by SCAT coordinated discussions with other intermediaries and submitted a joint input to the policy paper. This also included participation in on line meetings with CAOSA to discuss the above mentioned policy paper.
- 3.4 The coalition approached various funders, including the Constitutional Fund to repurpose funds meant for workshops and other programs towards addressing the urgent need for food and PPEs in poor rural communities. The funds were made available to the 65 CBOs for the distribution of food parcels and other necessities to the vulnerable members of their communities. A total of R378 495 was proportionally shared between the three coalition partners in this regard.
- 3.5 Two of the coalition partners, namely SCAT and ALUAI Trust were involved in the planning and coordination of the annual Dullah Omar School for Paralegals. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic the school was moved to early 2021. As a result, CCJD facilitated on-line accredited Paralegal training workshops for paralegals which were planned to be one of the streams in the 2020 Dullah Omar program.

## 4. Future collaboration plans for 2021

- The launch of the presentation of the findings and recommendations of the GBV research on the "Rural Community Organisations' Strategic approaches to addressing Gender-Based Violence" conducted by SCAT.
- 2. Facilitating a National workshop for the 65 CBO partners on current issues affecting the sector.
- 3. A meeting with CAOSA to explore collaborations between the two parties aimed at strengthening the advice office sector.
- 4. The coalition has planned to run a series of Fundraising workshops for the 65 CBO staff.

### 5. Finances

For this reporting period the CF advanced R2m to the partners. Please refer to the attached consolidated financial report regarding how this funds were sued by the partners.

# **Annexure 1**



Report by the AULAI Trust to the Constitutionalism Fund on the Project: Community Advice Office Coalition, grant no: OR 2018-46376, for the period 01 January 2020 – 31 December 2020. The Community Advice Office Coalition consists of the Social Change Assistance Trust (SCAT), the AULAI Trust and the Centre for Community Justice and Development (CCJD).

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### **BACKGROUND**

The existing Access to Justice Cluster Programme of the AULUI Trust continues to operate as set out in this report.

#### 1. PROJECT DELIVERY

Objective:

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# Activities:

 To ensure a sustained community based paralegal service which is available to all people, is professional and accountable and focuses on the rights of all vulnerable people in South Africa. a. Conduct on-site visits to the Community Advice Offices (CAOs) to ensure appropriate systems are in place and also to ensure professional operation of the advice office and continually assess the levels of training within the advice offices.

The attorneys and candidate attorneys within the Cluster Programme bring regular visits to advice offices and ensure the operation of such offices. The training needs are assessed hence the training programme offered. The level of training to CBPs improved through the training they underwent over the past number of years.

- To develop ongoing capacity building programmes which ensure that as the sector changes and develops, learning and training needs are met
- To promote human rights awareness in all communities in South Africa.
- To contribute to research in the sector and use this knowledge to empower paralegals to influence policy.

b. Provide, where possible and appropriate, operational and infrastructural support to advice offices with an eye to sustainability.

The Cluster Programme contributes where possible this support to advice offices through, inter alia, re-granting.

c. Identify legal services stakeholders within communities and regions to provide added support.

The Clusters have a good working relationship with Legal Aid South Africa and legal NGOs and encourage relationships of these organisations with advice offices.

d. Clusters provide access to legal services through the following activities: direct legal services provision to indigent, rural communities; back-up legal services to paralegals in CAOs and other members of the community by providing advice telephonically and taking referred cases from advice offices when they cannot take them further themselves; and on-site support to CAOs by attorneys.

# <u>Direct legal service provision to poor and marginalised, rural</u> communities

\*Increase in access to justice through increased provision of free legal services to indigent people

The number of visits to CAOs brought about increased access to justice to the communities in 2020. The numbers of people assisted were as follows:

TOTAL:	28 875
- Eastern Cape Access to Justice Cluster	8 554
- North West Access to Justice Cluster	7 293
- Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster	4 319
- Limpopo Access to Justice Cluster	5 527
- Cape Human Rights Cluster	3 182



<sup>\*</sup> Increase in efficiency in the delivery of free legal services through both the CAOs and the University Law Clinics (ULCs)

The Clusters continue to render effective legal services to communities in that matters are referred to ULCs where legal intervention is necessary. The types of cases addressed are:

- Civil matters
- Consumer law
- · Family violence
- · Evictions & housing
- Labour matters
- Money claims
- Divorce actions
- Maintenance orders
- Social grants
- Children's Court
- Pension / Provident Fund
- Mediations

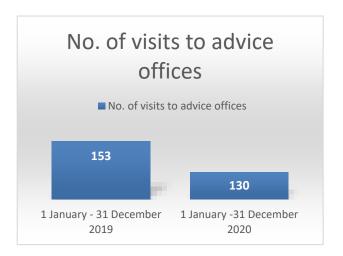
Furthermore, the Clusters continue with "on-site" training to paralegals at CAOs during the visits to these offices.

# Back-up legal services and telephonic advice

The AULAI Trust through the Access to Justice Cluster Programme continued with this activity. The national lock down and COVID-19 restrictions had an impact on the number of visits to CAOs. Specifically University Law Clinics and Advice Offices had to work from home / on a rotational basis. The following visits were conducted:

The number of visits to CAO's:

TOTAL:	130
- Eastern Cape Access to Justice Cluster	3
- North West Access to Justice Cluster	47
- Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster	39
- Limpopo Access to Justice Cluster	30
- Cape Human Rights Cluster	11



Regarding telephonic advice: The Community Based Paralegals (CBPs) as well as clients contact the Attorneys and Candidate Attorneys regularly in this regard. We do not keep record of these calls specifically. During 2020 and due to the difficulties experienced the number of physical visits to advice offices decreased. University Law Clinics had to implement alternative measures to maintain contact with the advice CAOs, such as telephonic and electronic advice and consultations, WhatsApp support groups, etc.

# On-site support to CAOs

The on-site support to CAOs continued as set out above.

Kindly refer to **Annexure "A"** as to the geographical information and reach within the Access to Justice Cluster Programme.

# Training to Community Based Paralegals (CBPs): case and file management, office and financial management, aspects of the law

This training takes place during visits to CAOs. It is done by the Attorneys and Candidate Attorneys to ensure that the files they work on are properly structured. As far as aspects of law are concerned – this aspect receives attention on an ongoing basis at visits to CAOs as such.

#### Training workshops to members of the community

The training workshops in this regard continued and the people reached were as follows:

# \* Promote effective rights literacy so that poor communities are better informed and hence more able to access their rights.

The number of workshops as well as the number of people reached through the workshops are as follows:

	No. of workshops	No. of people reached
- Cape Human Rights Cluster	19	567
<ul> <li>Limpopo Access to Justice Cluster</li> </ul>	17	650
<ul> <li>Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster</li> </ul>	52	2 085
<ul> <li>North West Access to Justice Cluster</li> </ul>	33	729
<ul> <li>Eastern Cape Access to Justice Cluster</li> </ul>	7	582
TOTAL:	128	4 613

These workshops mainly address Human Rights matters and more specifically the following topics are covered: Divorce – Marital regimes, Unemployment Insurance Fund, Domestic Violence, Harassment, Gender Based Violence, Labour, Eviction, Maintenance, Custody of Children, General rights of Women and Children, Consumer Awareness, HIV & Aids, Drug Abuse and Gender Violence.

Kindly refer **Annexure** "A" as to the detail of the outreach within the Access to Justice Cluster Programme.

## **On-site Visits to CAOs**

The on-site visits to CAOs continue as set out herein and it is ensured that appropriate systems are in place as described herein.

## **Registered Training to Community Based Paralegals:**

## North-West University, Potchefstroom Law Clinic

The North-West University, Potchefstroom Law Clinic (NWU) continues with the presentation of the formally registered Short Learning Programme on Mediation Skills with registered short-course code T50 100 1 to CBPs.

The training was provided for 5 days and covered a number of aspects including:

#### Module 1: Mediation Skills

- 1.1 What Is Mediation?
- 1.2 The Advantage of Mediation vs Litigation
- 1.3 Mediation Strategies
- 1.4 Mediation Intake Procedure
- 1.5 First Session
- 1.6 Setting the Agenda
- 1.7 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

## Module 2: Mediation in Family Related Matters

- 2.1 Divorce Trends
- 2.2 Effects of Divorce or Separation on the Parties and Children
- 2.3 Emotional Stages in the Divorce Process
- 2.4 Children's Involvement in Mediation Process
- 2.5 Best Interests of Child Standard
- 2.6 Divorce Mediation Process
- 2.7 The Unmarried Father and Mediation

#### The training was presented as follows:

REGIONS	NUMBER OF WORKSHOPS	NUMBER OF PARALEGALS	NUMBER OF CAOs
Mpumalanga	1	10	8
North West	1	10	9
Gauteng	1	10	6
Eastern Cape	1	10	8
KwaZulu- Natal	1	10	6
TOTALS	5	50	37

# Evaluation of Training Programme by attendees:

			iation Skills Training	(T50 100 01)				
			2020					
INSTRUCTORS		Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	No vote cast	TOTAL	8
INSTRUCTORS		41	. 7	0	0	1		49
OVERALL TRAINING		Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	No vote cast	TOTAL	Т
		38	9		0	2		49
	10	WHAT EXTENT H	AVE YOU ACHIEVED THE	TRAINING'S PLANN	ED RESULT?			ĺ
Completely		To a large extent	To a reasonable extent	To a lesser extent	Not at all	No vote cast	TOTAL	3
	27	18	0	0	0	4		49

#### **Rhodes University Law Clinic:**

Rhodes University Law Clinic presented a short course on the Consumer Protection Act using a combination of printed materials, including a manual developed by their staff, videos and online discussions. The training took place from 9-20 November 2020 and 28 participants received training.

They also conducted a 2-day workshop on Governing bodies: roles, function and purpose using a combination of a manual, other printed resources, videos and online discussions. The course took place on 7 and 8 December 2020 and advice office staff and management committee members received training.

#### Food distribution:

The primary objective of this project is the distribution of food parcels to vulnerable households to assist with poverty alleviation in the communities that the Clusters are involved in.

The funds will be re-granted to the ULCs in January 2021, to distribute amongst PAOs within the Cluster.

A full report is attached hereto as **Annexure "B"** 

#### 2. CHALLENGES AND SETBACKS

## Challenges:

- The funding to continue with the programme remains a challenge.
- The sustainability of CAOs is a challenge to ensure service delivery within the Cluster Programme.

## <u>Setbacks</u>

The COVID-19 national lock down and subsequent restrictions has had a huge impact on the Cluster Programme and, generally, on its beneficiaries, the communities living in informal settlements and in vast rural areas. ULCs had to close their offices for both students and clients were unable to pursue Cluster visits, with the legal practitioners having to work from home. Similarly, PAOs had to close their offices during the starts of the lock down, with CBPs having to work from home. As a result of these limitations, both ULCs and PAOs struggled to submit reports on their activities, with limited or no access to offices, computers and data.

#### 3. ANTICIPATED DEVIATIONS

As a result of the challenges and setbacks mentioned above, a decrease in the number of workshops held, the number of training interventions and the number of on-site visits to advice offices can be seen. Some PAOs and ULCs are still working from home or on a rotational basis.

## 4. CHANGES TO GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES

It is with a heavy heart that we have to report on the untimely passing of the previous Programme Manager of the Trust, Prof Schalk Meyer, who passed away on 2 May 2020. Ms Chrisna Landsberg has been appointed as the Programme Manager since 1 January 2021.

## 5. CONCLUSION

- Despite the setbacks as mentioned above, the program achieved the following results: back-up legal services to CAOs, legal services to the communities and community outreach programmes. Within the scope of the program these needs were satisfied.
- The quantitative progress within this program is set out above. Regarding the qualitative aspects, the attorneys and management of the clusters oversee the quality of the work done and ensure that it is of a high standard.
- It is evident from the feedback we received that the target groups benefit from this program.
- The program impacts and contributes to a positive change in the lives of thousands of people, as a result of the resolution of their legal problems. There are numerous examples in this regard.
- Save for the setbacks as mentioned in this report, there were no additional unintended results or consequences as the program is well established and the services rendered.
- Within this programme the AULAI Trust also cooperates with other stakeholders, such as SCAT, the CCJD and the Centre for the Advancement of Community Advice Offices in South African (CAOSA).
- As the activities within the program are ongoing (i.e. rendering legal and back-up legal services) the need will continue to exist. This program is work in progress and cannot be completed.

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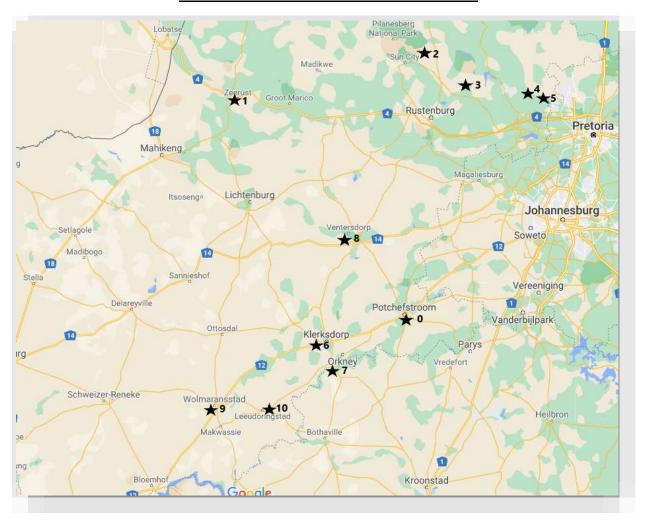
# Annexure "A"

# **Community Outreach Programme:**

The above amounts only reflects the number of community workshops conducted and number of members of the public reached during these workshops. Most clusters however engage within in their community by way of other activities, such as radio talk shows, door-to-door campaigns, etc. To illustrate this aspect, a number of extracts from the reports from the clusters are as follows:

# **CLUSTERS WITHIN THE PROJECT**

# **NORTH-WEST ACCESS TO JUSTICE CLUSTER**



NR	Name of organization	Distance from Potchefstroom - One way trip - (Km / Mi)
0	North-West University, Potchefstroom Campus, Law Clinic:	_
U	North-West Access to Justice Cluster	
1	Tlhaofalo Advice Centre	224 km / 139 mi
2	Bojanala Legal Advice Centre	178 km / 110 mi
3	Lethabong Legal Advice Centre	227 km / 141 mi
4	Lethabong Drop-in Centre (Jericho)	237 km / 147 mi
5	Letlhabile Network Against Domestic Violence, Child Abuse and HIV-Aids	223 km / 139 mi

6	Jouberton Legal Advice Centre	55 km / 34 mi
7	Orkney Legal Advice and Development Centre	47 km / 29 mi
8	Boikhutso Paralegal Advice Office	70 km / 43 mi
9	Tswelelang Advice Office (Wolmaransstad)	134 km / 100 mi
10	Leeudoringstad Advice & Development Centre	111 km / 68 mi

# **Community Outreach Workshops:**

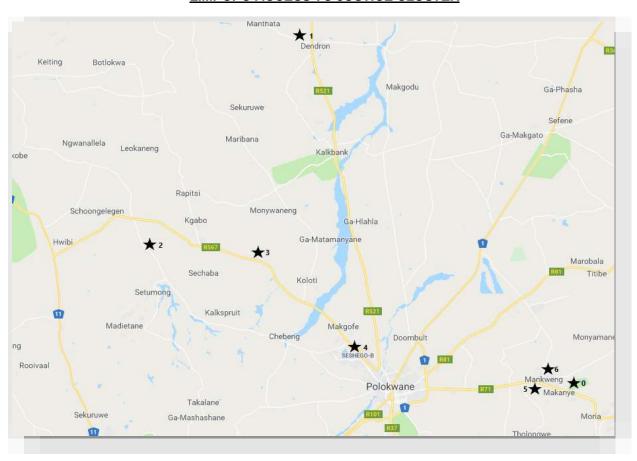
Various community workshops were planned with the cooperation of traditional leaders and/or the CAOs throughout the North-West Province. A total of 33 community workshops were held during the reporting period, reaching a total number of 729 members of the community.

The following illustrates the community outreach workshops and additional activities conducted by the North-West Access to Justice Cluster (advice offices and university-based Law Clinics):

Date	Advice Office / ULC	Туре	Topic	No. of attendees
14/01	NWU: Law Clinic	Workshop	Children's matters & Wills	16
15/01	NWU: Law Clinic	Workshop	Eviction, Maintenance & Law Clinic services	24
16/01	Tlhaofalo	Case work	Case-work and follow up	12
16/01	Tlhaofalo	Workshop	Gender Based Violence	25
16/01	NWU: Law Clinic	Workshop	Mediation, types of marriages, Labour, Divorce & Domestic Violence	20
17/01	Reabetswe	Workshop	Wills & Estates	19
21/01	NWU: Law Clinic	Workshop	Maintenance & Domestic Violence	16
21/01	Lethabong Drop-In	Workshop	Domestic Violence	12
22/01	NWU: Law Clinic	Workshop	Law Clinic services	69
23/01	Boikhutso	Dialogue	Teenage Pregnancy	38
23/01	NWU: Law Clinic	Workshop	Law Clinic services	26
28/01	NWU: Law Clinic	Workshop	Law Clinic services	11
15/02	Tlhaofalo	Workshop	Gender Based Violence	30
19/02	Boikhutso	Workshop	Elderly abuse	25
25/02	Jouberton	Workshop	Governance	12
25/02	Jouberton	Workshop	Governance	14
05/03	NWU: Law Clinic	Workshop	Labour Relations, Wills & Estates	15
11/03	NWU: Law Clinic	Workshop	Children's matters, Pension, Labour, Money Claim, Divorce	23
11/03	Lethabong Drop-In		Divorce & Wills	9
06/05	Tlhaofalo	Workshop	Covid 19 grant	6
19/05	Lethabong Drop-In		Covid-19 Lockdown Regulations	20
07/07	Lethabong Drop-In	Monitoring	Monitoring Human Rights	507
07/07	Letlhabile	Distribute	Food parcels	3
08/07	Letlhabile	Distribute	Food parcels	15
09/07	Letlhabile	Distribute	Food parcels	2
13/07	Lethabong Drop-In	Monitoring	Monitoring Human Rights	166
15/07	Lethabong Drop-In	Monitoring	Monitoring Human Rights	297
20/07	Lethabong Drop-In	Monitoring	Monitoring Human Rights	418
07/08	Lethabong Drop-In	Workshop	Divorce	16
13/08	Jouberton	Workshop	Children's Act & Care of Children	14
29/08	Lethabong Drop-In	Workshop	Money Claims (Pension, UIF, RAF)	16
31/08	Lethabong LAC	Workshop	Participation of community in local governance	18
10/09	Jouberton	Workshop	Employment Law	11

16/09	Lethabong Drop-In	Workshop	Maintenance	30
24/09	Lethabong Drop-In	Dialogue	No to Human Trafficking	27
12/10	Lethabong Drop-In	Door-to-door	Human Rights	60
20/10	Tlhaofalo	Assessment	Place of Care	3
26/10	Tlhaofalo	Meeting		10
26/10	Lethabong Drop-In	Workshop	BIS petition (Human Rights)	12
28/10	Lethabong LAC	Workshop	Cluster and Advice Offices	72
03/11	LetIhabile	Workshop	Train the trainer: Human Rights	20
05/11	Tlhaofalo	Door-to-door	Visits to farms	5
11 - 26/11	Jouberton	Meeting	Assisting addicts	3
20/11	Lethabong Drop-In	Workshop	Human Rights	16
30/11	Jouberton	Door-to-door	Signing petition	458
27/12	Jouberton	Meeting	Basic Income Grant	9

# LIMPOPO ACCESS TO JUSTICE CLUSTER



NR	Name of organization	Distance from Mankweng - One way trip - (Km / Mi)
0	University of Limpopo, Law Clinic:	_
	Limpopo Access to Justice Cluster	-
1	Manthata Advice Office	115 km / 71 mi
2	Matlala Advice Office	157 km / 98 i
3	Ditenteng Advice Office	85 km / 53 mi
4	Bloodriver Advice Office	57 km / 35 m
5	Mankweng Community Law Advice Office	10 km / 6 mi
6	Mankweng Advice Centre	5 km / 3 mi

# **Community Outreach Workshops:**

Community training and information dissemination remain one of their strategic ways of extending their services to communities. Their working relations with tribal authorities' i.e Chiefs and Indunas remain intact and their interaction with their communities through facilitating community workshops and information sharing sessions remains key and critical. The areas that they visited include Moletji, Senwabarwana, Ga-Mamabolo, Ga-Dikgale, Ga-Mothapo, Ga-Makgoba, Ga-Mothiba and Mankweng. Their Candidate Attorneys, the Cluster Attorney and the Cluster Co-ordinator is responsible for organizing and implementing these workshops and information sessions.

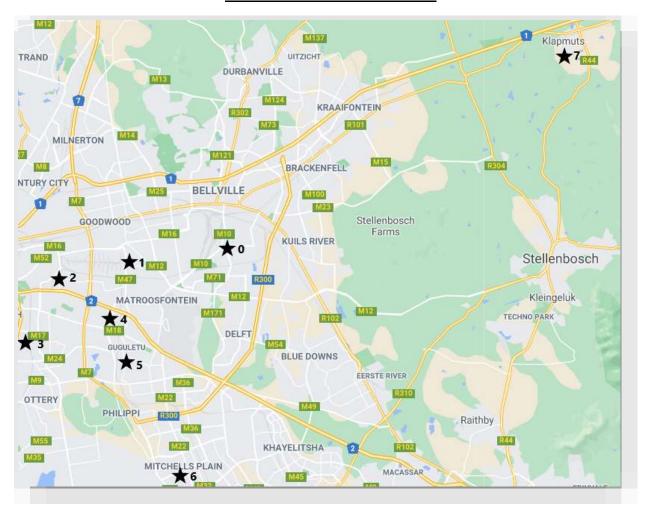
A total of 17 community workshops were held during the reporting period, reaching a total number of 650 members of the community. The following community outreach workshops and additional activities were conducted by the LAJC:

Date	Advice Office /	Туре	Topic	No. of
	ULC			attendees
24/01	Bloodriver	Workshop	UIF	35
12/02	Matlala	Dialogue	LGBTI	102
21/02	Bloodriver	Workshop	Maintenance	22
13/07	Mankweng AC	Workshop	OHS / COIDA	23
14/07	Mankweng AC	Workshop	OHS / COIDA	28
15/07	Mankweng AC	Workshop	OHS / COIDA	19
17/07	Mankweng AC	Workshop	OHS / COIDA	31
30/07	Mankweng AC	Workshop	OHS / COIDA	19
31/07	Mankweng AC	Workshop	OHS / COIDA	24
07/08	Mankweng AC	Workshop	OHS / COIDA	18
23/08	Bloodriver	Workshop	Consumer Rights	34
16/09	Bloodriver	Workshop	Domestic Violence	29
19/10	Bloodriver	Workshop	Unfair labour practices	36
13/11	Bloodriver	Workshop	Gender Based Violence	41
10/11	Matlala	Workshop	Lawyers' fees	50
02/12	Mankweng AC	Workshop	16 Days of Activism	36
11/12	Mankweng AC	Workshop	16 Days of Activism	17

# **Media Advocacy**

The University of Limpopo Law Clinic's standing slot with local campus radio station (Radio Turf) through which public education is conducted, continues as arranged. The Cluster Attorney and the Candidate Attorneys attend to the slot and address different topics ranging from Divorce, Maintenance, Custody, Domestic Violence, Social Security, Labour Law, Civil and Criminal Law. The show, called current affairs, is hosted weekly on a Wednesday.

## **CAPE HUMAN RIGHTS CLUSTER**



NR	Name of organisation	Distance from Bellville - One way trip - (Km / Mi)
0	University of the Western Cape, Legal Aid Clinic	_
	Cape Human Rights Cluster	
1	Elsies River Community Advice Office	9 km / 6 mi
2	Langa Community Advice Services	23 km / 14 mi
3	Athlone District Advice Office	24 km / 15 mi
4	Heideveld District Advice Office	14 km / 9 mi
5	Gugulethu Paralegal Advice Office	15 km / 9 mi
6	Mitchells Plain Community Advice and Development Project	18 km / 11 mi
7	Ubuntu Rural Women and Youth Movement (Klapmuts)	38 km / 24 mi

## **Street Law Voluntary Programme:**

Street Law is a non-profit organization headed by the UWC Law Clinic. Street Law do not receive funding from the Law Clinic, nor the Law Faculty. As such they are required to do fundraising to ensure that the students taking part in the programme are able to carry out their mandate. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic they have focused primarily on community projects, which includes the following:

- Soup Kitchen Drive on 31 May 2020;
- Sanity Towel Drive supplying 8 primary schools with 6 month supply of sanitary towels, namely: Belmore
  Primary in Hanover Park, Cecil Road Primary in Salt River, BergRivier Primary in Boland, Mfuleni High
  school and Springdale Primary in Mitchells Plain.

Mandela Day: Partnering with the Southern Suburbs Legal Advice Centre they delivered 4 months supply
of sanitary towels and face masks to 430 students at Ukhanyo Capricorn and Perivale Primary Schools
in the Southern Suburbs.

A grand total of 1339 children received a supply sanitary towels. Towards the end of the year their focus shifted to provide food parcels to 100 families in Wellington. These families are farmworkers who were left abandoned by their employers. They have not received any source of income for the last 6 months and are desperately in need of assistance.

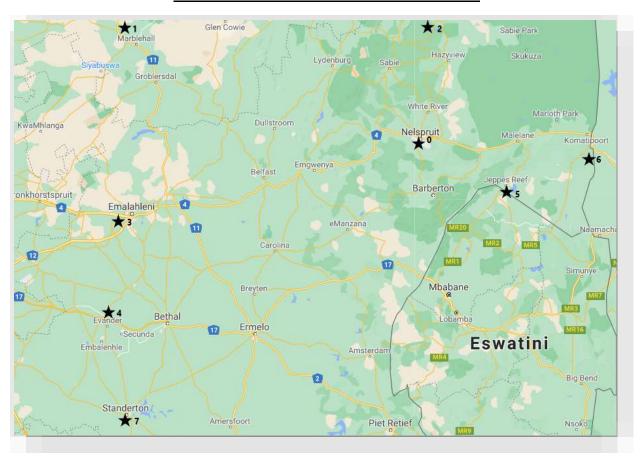
# **Community Outreach Workshops:**

A total of 19 community workshops were held during the reporting period, reaching a total number of 567 members of the community.

The following community outreach workshops and additional activities were conducted by the CHRC:

Date	Advice Office / Type Topic ULC		No. of attendees	
01/07	Langa	Workshop	Training: Health & Hygiene	15
11/07	Ubuntu	Training	ESTA	12
15/07	Ubuntu	Training	Labour Relations Act	12
18/07	Guguletu	Workshops	67 minutes & Gender Based Violence	12
10/08	Ubuntu	Info sharing	Gender Based Violence	20
14 – 18/09	Heideveld	Drafting	Free Wills	27
18/09	Ubuntu	Info-sharing	Gender Based Violence	30
24/09	Ubuntu	Info-sharing	Food sovereignty	80
05/10	Athlone	Workshop	Wills	12
12/10	Athlone	Workshops	Wills	17
16/10	Ubuntu	Training	Women land rights	10
27/10	Ubuntu	Training	Women land rights	38
29/10	Ubuntu	Training	Women land rights	40
30/10	Elsies River	Info sharing	Legal Aid services	12
31/10	Ubuntu	Training	Women land rights	34
31/10	Athlone	Open day	Services by advice office	15
03/11	Ubuntu	Training	Women land rights	35
07/11	Ubuntu	Training	Women land rights	36
07/11	Athlone	Open day	Services by advice office	50
10/11	Ubuntu	Training	Women land rights	50
14/11	Athlone	Open day	Services by advice office	7
16/11	Ubuntu	Training	Women land rights	40
18/11	Ubuntu	Training	Women land rights	42
24/11	Elsies River	Workshop	Gender Based Violence	20
28/11	Ubuntu	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	10
29/11	Ubuntu	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	6
30/11	Ubuntu	Protest		72
30/11	Elsies River	Info sharing	Legal Aid services	30
02/12	Ubuntu	Training	Gender Based Violence	20
03/12	Ubuntu	Webinar	Land debate	30
04/12	Ubuntu	Radio	Live interview	
20/12	Ubuntu	Reflection	End of year	34
21/12	Athlone	Open day	Services by advice office	13

# **MPUMALANGA ACCESS TO JUSTICE CLUSTER**



NR	Name of organisation	Distance from Nelspruit - One way trip - (Km / Mi)		
0	North-West University, Potchefstroom Campus, Law Clinic:	-		
	Mpumalanga Access to Justice Cluster			
1	Ukuthula Community Advice Office	305 km / 190 mi		
2	Bohlabela Resource & Advice Office	99 km / 62 mi		
3	Kwa-Guqa Advice Office	223 km / 139 mi		
4	Leandra Community Centre (Advice Office)	290 km / 180 mi		
5	Nkomazi Community Advice Office	101 km / 63 mi		
6	Masisukumeni Women's Crisis centre	105 km / 65 mi		
7	Standerton Victim Empowerment & Advice Office	305 km / 190 mi		

# **Community Outreach Workshops:**

A total of 52 community workshops were held during the reporting period, reaching a total number of 2085 members of the community.

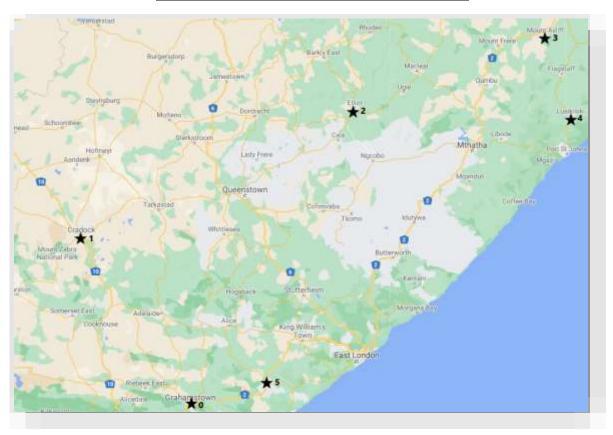
The following community outreach workshops and additional activities were conducted by the MAJC:

Date	Advice Office / ULC	Туре	Topic	No. of attendees
21/01	Bohlabela	Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	50
22/01	Bohlabela	Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	49
22/01	Standerton	Workshop	CSO	20
23/01	Bohlabela	Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	55

24/01	Masisukumeni	Workshop	Human & Legal rights	78
27/01	Bohlabela	Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	55
28/01	Standerton	Workshop	PTT: LGBTQI+A	20
29/01	Standerton	Workshop	PTT: LGBTQI+A	20
29/01	Standerton	Workshop	Community complaints & donations	10
29/01	Bohlabela	Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	39
30/01	Standerton	Workshop	Women life skills	28
30/01	Bohlabela	Workshop		37
30/01		Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	31
	Leandra	•	Info sharing	
02/02	Standerton	Workshop	Operational support	41
03/02	Masisukumeni	Workshop	Human & Legal rights	84
03/02	Masisukumeni	Workshop	Human & Legal rights	83
04/02	Bohlabela	Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	61
05/02	Bohlabela	Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	39
06/02	Bohlabela	Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	68
06/02	Standerton	Workshop	Maintenance, domestic violence, civil matters	27
13/02	Bohlabela	Workshop	Basic Conditions of Employment	58
18/02	Leandra	Workshop	Domestic Violence	34
20/02	Standerton	Workshop	Integrated service delivery	26
10/03	Masisukumeni	Workshop	Human & Legal rights	65
12/03	Masisukumeni	Workshop	Human & Legal rights	84
21/03	Masisukumeni	Info sharing	Pre-court session	12
04/05	Masisukumeni	Distribution	Face masks	
05/05	Masisukumeni	Distribution	Face masks	
14/05	Masisukumeni	Training	Pre-court training	
06/06	Nkomazi	Workshop	Labour / COIDA & Covid 19	50
07/06	Nkomazi	Workshop	Labour / COIDA & Covid 19	50
08/06	Standerton	Workshop	Access to Justice	28
14/06	Nkomazi	Workshop	Labour / COIDA & Covid 19	50
20/06	Nkomazi	Workshop	Labour / COIDA & Covid 19	50
21/06	Nkomazi	Workshop	Labour / COIDA & Covid 19	50
22/06	Standerton	Workshop	Domestic Violence & Covid 19	38
01/07	Standerton	Workshop	Access to Justice & Covid 19	36
11/07	Nkomazi	Workshop	Covid Relief Fund	20
15/07	Standerton	Monitoring	Covid 19	36
16/07	Standerton	Workshop	Access to Justice & Domestic Violence	28
17/07	Standerton	Workshop	Access to Justice	34
20/07	Standerton	Workshop	Domestic Violence & Covid 19	36
21/07	Standerton	Workshop	Access to Justice & School safety	26
22/07	Standerton	Workshop	General prevention & measures to reduce	32
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23/07	Standerton	Workshop	Covid 19 & Access to Justice	29
06/08	Standerton	Workshop	Access to Justice	14
11/08	Standerton	Workshop	Domestic Violence & Access to Justice	15
12/08	Ukuthula	Workshop	Home Affairs: ID document applications	34
17/08	Standerton	•		38
		Workshop	Legal problems of the poor	38
26/08	Standerton	Workshop	Court procedures, preparation & appearance	
03/09	Standerton	Workshop	Civil and family matters	20
01/09	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Gender Based Violence	
08/09	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Gender Based Violence	00
14/09	Standerton	Workshop	Free legal services, advice and access to	22
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06/10	Bohlabela	Petition	Basic Income Support	55
13/10	Bohlabela	Petition	Basic Income Support	55

14/10	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Customary Marriage	
20/10	Bohlabela	Petition	Basic Income Support	55
21/10	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Civil Marriage	
26/10	Bohlabela	Petition	Basic Income Support	55
27/10	Masisukumeni	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	33
27/10	Bohlabela	Petition	Basic Income Support	55
28/10	Nkomazi	Workshop	Youth development & talent show	52
28/10	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Wills	
18/11	Bohlabela	Meeting	Gender Based Violence	8
04/11	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Elderly abuse	
11/11	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Child abuse	
15/11	Standerton	Awareness	16 Days of Activism	15
17/11	Standerton	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	37
18/11	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Role of the father	
20/11	Standerton	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	41
24/11	Standerton	Workshop	Human rights	13
25/11	Masisukumeni	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	164
26/11	Masisukumeni	Dialogue	Gender Based Violence	26
26/11	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	16 Days of Activism	
27/11	Nkomazi	Awareness	16 Days of Activism	81
29/11	Standerton	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	13
30/11	Masisukumeni	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	30
01/12	Masisukumeni	Dialogue	Gender Based Violence	58
02/12	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Substance abuse & HIV	
03/12	Masisukumeni	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	26
09/12	Masisukumeni	Awareness	Gender Based Violence	15
09/12	Kwa-Guqa	Radio	Disability	

# EASTERN CAPE ACCESS TO JUSTICE CLUSTER



NR	Name of organisation	Distance from Grahamstown - One way trip - (Km / Mi)
0	Rhodes University Law Clinic	-
1	Cradock Advice Office	173 km / 107 mi
2	Elliot Paralegal Advice Centre	346 km / 215 mi
3	Latita Care and Development Centre	506 km / 315 mi
4	Lusikisiki Paralegal Advice Centre	484 km / 300 mi
5	Metro Community Services	72 km / 45 mi

A total of 7 community workshops were held during the reporting period, reaching a total number of 582 members of the community.

The following community outreach workshops and additional activities were conducted by the ECAJC:

Date	Advice Office / Type Topic ULC			No. of attendees	
26/02	Rhodes Law Clinic	Workshop	Domestic Violence, Harassment &	44	
			Gender Based Violence		
28/02	Rhodes Law Clinic	Workshop	Domestic Violence, Harassment &	56	
			Gender Based Violence		
28/02	Rhodes Law Clinic	Workshop	Domestic Violence, Harassment &	82	
			Gender Based Violence		
03/03	Rhodes Law Clinic	Workshop	Domestic Violence, Harassment &	9	
			Gender Based Violence		
10/03	Rhodes Law Clinic	Workshop	Domestic Violence, Harassment &	130	
			Gender Based Violence		
12/03	Rhodes Law Clinic	Workshop	Domestic Violence, Harassment &	232	
			Gender Based Violence		
14/02	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
24/04	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
11/05	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
15/05	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
03/07	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
03/07	Elliot	Distribution	Soup kitchen	50	
10/07	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
04/08	Elliot	Visit	NGO	7	
06/08	Metro	Workshop	Eviction & land rights	29	
21/08	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
24/09	Elliot	Distribution	Soup Kitchen	70	
02/10	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
30/10	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
09-17/11	Elliot	Course	Consumer rights	19	
13/11	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
19/11	Elliot	Awareness	International men's day	30	
24/11	Elliot	Assistance	CPF elections 40		
04/12	Rhodes Law Clinic	Article	Grocott's Mail		
09-10/12	Elliot	Meeting	UN Development Plan	24	

## Annexure "B"

# NARRATIVE REPORT ON THE FOOD PARCEL PROJECT

#### 1. STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES

The main objectives are as follows:

- 1.1 To empower the University Law Clinic and the community-based advice offices that forms part of the Cluster and the poor and marginalized communities it serves by means of a once-off direct contribution by the Trust to the following activities:
  - 1.1.1 The procurement and distribution of food parcels in consultation with the cluster advice offices
  - 1.1.2 The promotion of cooperation between role players in the advice office sector.

#### 2. MAIN FOCUS AREAS

The main focus area for this project is to provide poverty alleviation to vulnerable households in communities that formed part of the Cluster programme of the AULAI Trust.

The funds were distributed to the University Law Clinics who made contact with the community-based advice offices to identify households in dire need of assistance. The households targeted were those with no income and who cares for elderly, cares for disabled persons, is female-headed households, is child-headed households and / or who has been severely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and / or HIV/Aids.

## 3. REPORT ON ACTIVITIES

	CHRC	ECAJC	LAJC	MAJC	NWAJC	Totals
No. of communities reached	TBC	18	TBC	7	10	35
No. of households reached / parcels delivered	TBC	50	TBC	56	50	156
No. of kilometers travelled	TBC	1688	TBC	1315	1374	4378

Funds were equally distributed to each Cluster Law Clinic. The food parcels were distributed in the January and February 2021.

Please note that the distribution of food parcels in the Western Cape and Limpopo Province will be conducted before the end of February 2021. A full report in this regard will be submitted.

The content of food parcels consisted of a mix of the following food products:

- Rice
- Maize meal
- Soya mince
- Baked beans
- · Cans of fish
- Peanut butter
- Tea
- Sugar
- Oil
- Milk / powder milk

- Potatoes
- Onions
- Tomatoes
- Salt
- Soup powder
- Beef / chicken stock cubes
- Bread
- Peas
- Pumpkins







#### 4. CHALLENGES

Some of the beneficiaries at two of the advice offices had difficulties to collect their parcels from the advice offices and Law Clinic staff had to wait for hours to ensure that these households received their parcels.

Due to the financial policies of the respective University Law Clinics within the Cluster, the formalization of agreements, purchase, procurement and distribution of the food parcels were delayed until January and February 2021. Most of the university staff are still working from home / on a rotational basis and as such the Trust followed an understanding and flexible approach in this regard.

## 5. IMPACT

The households identified received some basic food products that would supplement their diets and alleviate their hunger over the coming weeks. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic a number of the households reached struggled to survive during the past few months. The relief provided by the Trust ensured that these households have adequate food for the next couple of weeks. The households expressed their sincere thanks for the contribution towards their livelihoods especially during these difficult times.