

**HELP & SHELTER
WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER GERMAN COMMITTEE PROJECT
MONTHLY M&E REPORT- MAY 2010 - Submitted by Danuta Radzik**

Community Educators' Monthly Reports

KANEVILLE

Community Educator: Tessa Greene

Community Mobiliser: Juliet James

Community: Kaneville, East Bank Demerara

Activities: A total of 13 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 175 Females: 103 Males: 72

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 147 Females: 87 Males: 60

H&S Leaflets Distributed: 193

of H&S Posters Distributed: Nil

of Other Posters Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- Attendance and participation at steering committee meeting (KDC)
- Distribution of trophies and medals to winners of Kaneville Inter-Field Competition
- Meeting with Diamond Women's Group
- Meeting with Headmistress of Craig Nursery School
- Counselling sessions
- Steering Committee Food Sale
- Meetings with Head of Grove Nursery School and NDC
- Visit to GBTI to open an account for steering committee (KDG)
- Awareness sessions Kaneville Youth
- Awareness session students from Diamond Secondary School
- Awareness session for men in Kaneville
- Awareness session with parents at Craig Health Centre, pre-natal clinic
- Awareness session with Grade 6 students of Craig Primary School

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Steering Committee Meeting- 6th May

- A total of 6 persons, 5 females and 1 male attended the meeting. Matters discussed were plans for first anniversary of Kaneville Development Group (KDC). Members were asked to give more support to project activities for the stamping out of GBV.

Distribution of Trophies & Medals for Kaneville Inter-Field Competition – 8th May

- A total of 15 residents, 11 males and 4 females were present as the CE and CM distributed the trophies and medals to the winning participants of the Inter-Field Competition. Those in attendance all showed interest in having more activities to bring the youth together in a positive way. One youth approached the CE about holding a Kaneville Beauty Pageant he was encouraged to share this idea with residents and the KDG.

After the awarding of trophies and medals the CE took the opportunity to talk about H&S. In the discussion that followed, some of the youth expressed disappointment that H&S could not fund the building of the community centre instead of the residents having to wait on funding from other agencies. The CE explained that H&S itself is dependent on funding from agencies to carry out its programme and core activities.

Counselling Case- 12th May

- CM spoke to 5 Kaneville residents who had been involved in a brawl, resulting in injuries and which is now a case in the Magistrate Court. After speaking to those involved promises were made about not getting involved in any further conflict situations.

Visit by GT&T Officials & NDC re erecting of Sign Board for Kaneville Community – 13th May

- The CM was present at the meeting and noted that the overseer for the NDC was delighted to know that through representation by the Kaneville Development Group GT&T had committed to erecting a Sign Board identifying the Kaneville Community.

Meeting with the Diamond Women's Group – 13th May

- The CE observed that the members of the Women With a Vision Group were planning for the long term as they discussed keeping files and records in a systematic manner in order to track and monitor their 1st year achievements. The CE was able to advise them on labeling of files and how to organize files/ books for record keeping eg file for minutes of meetings, correspondence, contributions/donations etc.
- The July 5th Walk against DV was also discussed. The colours red, green, gold, blue and white were chosen for the small flags that participants would write their individual message on and carry during the Walk. The group is also hoping to have a banner and matching yellow (females) white (males) T-shirts.
A counseling case of reported child abuse involving a woman and her children was referred to one of the H&S counselors for follow up.

Counselling Case – 20th May

- A client was brought from the Diamond Women's Group to the Diamond Sec. School for counselling. The school facilitated this emergency by offering the use of the Senior Mistress Office for counselling. After discussion the client was referred to H&S by the CE and subsequently referred to the Shelter. This same client was scheduled to visit the Timerhi Police Station the following day. The Diamond Women's group raised the question of financing for women to travel to H&S Crisis Centre. Plans are to be made for raising emergency funds for such situations.

Steering Committee Food Sale – 29th May

- A total of \$5,800 was raised through this fundraiser. The money will be used to buy items for food hampers for 3 residents, 2 who are elderly and disabled and 1 resident who is visually impaired. During the food sale a total of 44 H&S leaflets on Anger Management, Rape and DV were distributed.

Visit to Craig Nursery School- 27th May

- The CE and CM visited the school to meet with the H/M to discuss sensitizing students and parents on DV. They were welcomed and in September, the start of the new school year they will be invited to return for discussions on conducting of awareness sessions. The H/M reported that one of the students appears to be suffering from abuse. The CE promised to send leaflets and posters for the school.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions***Awareness Session with Kaneville Youth – Self-15th May***

- A total of 13 young people, 11 males and 2 females between the ages of 9-16 yrs participated in this 1hr 20 min session on Self. Feedback indicated that the session was very interactive as the facilitator encouraged the participants to talk about issues that were bothering them. Participants were asked if

things people said or did to them years ago were still affecting them. Most of the children said that they still remember being hurt (beaten) by parents/guardians and being verbally abused. They particularly remembered those occasions when they were beaten for a so called offence which they were not guilty of.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation and understanding of topics discussed were rated as good and facilitation and the session overall were rated as very good.

A total of 38 H&S leaflets- For Parents, Child Abuse, Rape, Anger Management- were distributed.

Students of Diamond Secondary School – Domestic Violence – 20th May

- A total of 36 students, 20 females and 16 males between the ages of 12-14 yrs participated in this 1 ½ hr session on DV.

Discussions were held on types of DV and students were placed into groups to act out the different forms of DV such as physical, sexual, verbal and emotional. The students did a good job in portraying their understanding of the topics very clearly through their dramatic performances and observations.

Evaluation of the session showed that participation, understanding of topics presented facilitation and the session overall were all rated as very good.

The headmistress requested that session or visits be made every week.

Male Residents of Kaneville – Self – 22nd May

- A total of 22 persons, 18 males and 4 females between the ages of 12-65 participated in this 1 ¼ hr session on Understanding Self.

The session was facilitated by Darren Torrington. Using a lottery sheet the facilitator was able to highlight the importance of men understanding themselves. He also stressed the importance of men having self knowledge so they do not become a negative statistic eg death from drug abuse etc. Feedback indicated that the session was very lively with excellent participation from all including older men present who expressed their differing views forcefully on the answers proposed by the facilitator. One participant shared his experience in Canada with reference to his domestic situation and explained how the Canadian Police dealt with it. He asked the same question that many men ask “where is the leaflet on husband abuse.

Evaluation of the session showed that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as very good.

A total of 43 H&S leaflets on H&S Fact Sheet and DV were distributed.

Craig Health Centre Pre-Natal Clinic – Needs of Children – 27th May

- A total of 23 persons, 20 females and 3 males between the ages of 19-60 participated in this 1 ¼ hr awareness session.

The session was not very interactive except for 2 older men who were present and expressed their view as to why a young woman incarcerated in New Amsterdam Prison is justified in killing her boyfriend etc. The female participants were slower to respond without probing from the CE. The CE and CM were thanked and invited by the Nurse at the Clinic to return for further visits on corresponding clinic days.

Evaluation of the session showed that participation and understanding of topics were assessed as good while facilitation and the session overall were assessed as very good.

A total of 68 H&S leaflets on Child Abuse, For Parents, H&S Fact Sheets and Rape were distributed.

Craig Primary School, Grade 6 Students – Types of DV – 27th May

- A total of 39 students, 23 females and 16 males between the ages of 10-11 yrs participated in a 45 min session on types of DV.

The students were aware of the different types of DV, as they were participants in the recently held Career Day hosted by the Ministry of Culture at the National Stadium and has visited the H&S booth and uplifted flyers. The CE also discussed female and male sexual organs and stressed the importance of using correct names. Since children from Kaneville attend this school out side of the community it allows the project to reach them as well as other children on issues of importance toward the reduction of violence and child abuse.

Evaluation of the session indicate that participation and understanding of topics was assessed as good while facilitation and rating of the session overall was assessed as very good.

KANEVILLE COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN –June 2010

Date	Activity	Time
1/6/2010	Visit to Basic Needs Trust Fund	10 am
1/6/2010	Awareness Session –Grove health Centre	9am
2/6/2010	Awareness Session-Diamond Secondary School	9am-2pm
3/6/2010	Awareness Session-Craig Health Centre	9 am
3/6/2010	Steering Committee Meeting	5pm
4/6/2010	Awareness Session-IPE School	10 am
5/6/2010	Awareness Session -Youth Group	4.30 pm
6/6/2010	Kaneville Residents Follow Up Visit	4.30 pm
8/6/2010	Awareness Session-Methodus School	
10/5/2010	Awareness Session-Grove Primary School	9am
10/6/2010	Awareness Session-Grove Secondary School	11am
10/6/2010	Awareness Session – Xenon Secondary School	1 pm
20/6/2010	Men's Forum-Ministry of Culture	1pm

DEN AMSTEL

Community Educator: Ebeth McIntosh

Community Mobiliser: Shawndelle Luckie

Community: Den Amstel, West Coast Demerara

Activities: A total of 6 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 103 Females: 80 Males: 23

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 49 Females: 38 Males: 11

H&S leaflets Distributed: 90

MLHSSS DV Posters: Nil

GHARP Booklets (Super Gang & The Player): Nil

GHARP Posters: Nil

Empowering Women Booklet: Nil

HIV Leaflets & Booklets: Nil

H&S Posters: Nil

of Condoms Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- Attendance and participation in Steering Committee Meeting

- House to House visits to sensitize residents about DV and GBV
- Counselling visit
- To conduct an awareness session on Teenage Pregnancy with Den Amstel Grade 6, Primary School Students
- To conduct an awareness session on Leadership Skills with parents attending the Den Amstel Health Centre Pre Natal Clinic
- To conduct an awareness session on Suicide with AOG Women's Group
- To conduct an awareness session on Leadership Skills with Den Amstel Nursery School Teachers

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Steering Committee – 7th May

- A total of 4 members and H&S UN volunteer attended the meeting. Steering Committee members highlighted the fact that most of them were working and busy with family responsibilities so it was difficult to find a lot of spare time to engage in project activities. However they committed to giving what little time they had toward serving the community and would also encourage other members of the community to join the Steering Committee.

Steering Committee plans for the month of May will include

- 4 house to house visits and leaflet distribution
- Visit to the Children Home (presentation of skit)
- Awareness Sessions with Den Amstel Primary School (presentation of skit)
- Awareness Sessions with Youth groups (presentation of skit)
- Presentation of Skit at the Community Centre Ground
- Organize a pampering session for 20 women in the community introducing them to grooming and personal care eg manicures, pedicures, facials, hairdressing, good dental care etc. Venue will be the Den Amstel Primary School

The steering committee also discussed the replacement of the CM.

House to House Visit – 10th May

- During this activity a total of 24 residents, 16 females and 8 males were reached. Steering committee members participated in this activity and gave short talks about DV and the aim and activities of the project. Residents were also encouraged to come out and participate in community sessions.

A total of 90 H&S leaflets on DV, Wife Abuse and Child Abuse were also distributed.

Counselling Visit – 10th May

- The CE and Steering Committee members visited the young woman who was HIV positive and suicidal and spoke to her and her spouse who was at home at the time and other family members. The young woman's spouse admitted he has recently found out that he is also HIV positive and is dealing with this as best he can but was worried about his wife. He asked the group to continue making contact with his family and this will continue.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Den Amstel Primary School, Grade 6 Students – Teenage Pregnancy – 12th May

- A total of 27 students, 15 females and 12 males between the ages of 11-12 participated in this 2 hr session on Teenage Pregnancy.

The students were shy at first to talk about sex and pregnancy but as the session continued they became more relaxed and shared experiences. Most of them said that their parents never talked to them about sex and the changes that their bodies go through from adolescence to adulthood. However their Head Teacher did share some information on

this with them. During the session the students discussed causes of teenage pregnancy and its effects on the lives of young people. By the end of the session the students felt that they had gained new knowledge and said they would share this information with family and friends. The CM was present at the session and assisted with the presentation. Evaluation of the session showed that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as very good.

Den Amstel Pre-Natal Clinic –Leadership Skills – 14th May

- A total of 25 parents, 22 mothers and 3 fathers between the ages of 16-38 participated in this 1hr hour session on Leadership Skills.

Discussions were held on qualities of good leadership and skills needed to be a good leader. The majority of the mothers said that they considered their husband to be the head or leader of the home while some identified their mothers as the head or themselves as head or leader. At the beginning of the session the participants were of the opinion that their husbands and themselves were good leaders in their households as they provided for their families and were loving. However as qualities and skills of good leaders were identified the participants recognized that as leaders they needed to do more and work harder as leaders in their home and also encourage their husbands and other family members to be better leaders also.

Evaluation of the session showed that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as very good.

AOG Women’s Group – Suicide – 18th May

- A total of 15 women, between the ages of 18-55 participated in this session on Suicide.

Participants were asked if they had ever thought of committing suicide and to identify who commits suicide, ways used to commit suicide, the thought processes of suicidal people and what help can be given to suicidal persons. All the participants were willing to speak about their experiences or reasons for contemplating suicide. All 15 of the participants had thought about committing suicide at least twice in their lives, some had attempted suicide at least once but never got to complete the act because they were saved by someone or decided that this was not the best course of action to take. Participants felt safe enough to unburden themselves of these experiences and felt that this information was vital and would be used to help persons they came in contact with.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as excellent.

Den Amstel Nursery School Teachers – Leadership Skills – 19th May

- A total of 7 female teachers between the ages of 25-45 participated in this 2 hr session on Leadership Skills.

Discussions were held on qualities of leaders and skills needed in good leaders. Participation among the teachers was very good and they have a good working relationship among themselves. Feedback from teachers indicated that they will use the information shared to improve their family life and work relations.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as excellent.

DEN AMSTEL COMMUNITY EDUCATOR’S WORK PLAN - June 2010

Date	Activity	Time
3/6/2010	Awareness Session- Stress Management-Pre Natal Clinic	
6/6/2010	Awareness Session-Personal Hygiene- Congregational Youth Group	
8/6/2010	Awareness Session-Alcohol Abuse-AOG Women’s Group	

9/6/2010	Visit to Children's Home	
13/6/2010	Pampering For Women in the Community	
15/6/2010	Steering Committee Meeting	
16/6/2010	Awareness Session-Child Abuse-Den Amstel Primary School	
20/5/2010	Awareness Session-Kingdom Connection Group	
21/6/2010	Nursery Cluster Workshop	
26/6/2010	PJ Party	

GOOD HOPE

Community Educator: Suzanne Chung

Community Mobiliser: Olivia Simon

Community: Good Hope, East Coast Demerara

Activities: A total of 7 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 76 Females: 62 Males: 14

Persons Newly Reached: Total: Nil Females: Nil Males: Nil

H&S Leaflets Distributed: 154

of H&S Posters Distributed: 8

of Other Posters Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- Attendance at Kaneville Inter-Field Competition
- Awareness session with Lusignan Assemblies of God Women's Group
- Community visit and community walk about
- Steering Committee Meeting
- Awareness session on Self with Women's Ministry at Rita's residence
- Counselling session.

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Attendance at Kaneville's Inter-Field Competition-1st May

- The CE and CM of Good Hope attended this activity in their sister community of Kaneville. The event was well received and went off successfully.

Community Visit and Walk About – 12th May

- The CE and CM visited all the places where H&S poster were distributed to see if these were still up and to talk with persons involved in the project and meet new persons. Residents at the Good Hope Baptist Church were spoken to as were other steering committee members. The Hindu Mandir was also visited and a few errant husbands were also spoken to with some measure of success.
A total of 4 posters were distributed.

Community Visit and Walk About – 26th May

- A total of 28 residents, 18 females and 10 males were reached through this activity whose objective was to educate and empower residents in Good Hope on GBV prevention. Parents in particular were targeted in order to educate them about child abuse and neglect and encourage them to send their children to school on a regular basis.

Feedback from residents was very positive as they commended the CE and CM about the good work they are doing in the community. During this visit it was observed that many children are not attending school resulting in them becoming uneducated, they can also be seen on the street or at home during school hours.

A total of 76 H&S leaflets on Child Neglect, GBV, Rape, Wife Abuse, Child Abuse, Sexual Assault, Anger Management were distributed as well as 4 posters

Steering Committee Meeting – 14th May

- A total of 5 members, 3 females and 2 males attended the meeting. The meeting was called to plan activities for the month and to discuss strategies for getting more people involved in project activities in Good Hope. Activities identified were fundraising and hosting of a Movie Night. The meeting also discussed ways to assist women and children in the community.

Counselling Case

- This case involves a 16 yr old Secondary School girl who was scheduled to write her CXC subjects this year and ran away from home due to alleged abuse and attitude of her mother. She is now living with a 29 year man. She has threatened to commit suicide if her parents force her to return home. The CE was able to get her to write her exam and managed to convince her to go on contraceptives for the time being. She is still living with the man and her mother is still trying to get her to go back home.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Lusignan Assembly of God Church, Women's Group – GBV – 11th May

- A total of 16 women participated in the session on GBV. The sessions focused on gender based violence and the difference between sex and gender. The female participants were grateful for the new information on this topic and requested that the CE return to do further sessions.

A total of 48 H&S leaflets were distributed.

Women's Ministry at Rita's Residence –Understanding Self – 19th May

- A total of 12 women attended this session. Feedback from the participants indicated that the session was fun and the women enjoyed the ice breaker where they had to introduce the person next to them. Participation was very good and the women were open in sharing their views and experiences. Participants were also asked to interview their partners and list their good and bad qualities. At the end of the session the women thanked the CE and CM and issued an open invitation to them to return and do other sessions at any time.

A total of 30 H&S leaflets on Child Abuse, Wife Abuse and The Shelter were distributed to the participants.

GOOD HOPE COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN –June 2010

Date	Activity	Time
4/6/2010	Awareness Session- Good Hope Mandir	12.45pm
9/6/2010	House to House Visit and Community Walk About	4pm
13/6/2010	Awareness Session – Good Hope Mandir	10am
15/6/2010	Women's Ministry at Rita's Residence	5pm
18/6/2010	Steering Committee Meeting	4pm
20/6/2010	House to House Visit and Community Walk About	4pm
24/6/2010	Awareness Session –Learning Centre	1pm
27/6/2010	Movie Night-Norma's Residence	6pm

COVENT GARDEN

Community Educator(s): Ebeth McIntosh, Chabela Lord

Community Mobilizer: Carol Henry

Community: Covent Garden, East Bank Demerara

Activities: A total of 8 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 144 Females: 99 Males: 45

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 127 Females: 86 Males: 41

H&S Leaflets Distributed: Nil

of H&S Posters Distributed: Nil

of Other Posters Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- House to house visits/counselling & one on one discussions with residents
- Conduct an awareness session on Teenage Pregnancy with students from Covent Garden Primary School
- Conduct an awareness session on Alcohol Abuse with Covent Garden Nursery School Teacher
- Attendance & participation in Steering Committee Meeting
- Hosting of Movie Night and fundraising activity for resident of Covent Garden

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Resident – 12th May

- A visit was made to the father of the 3 children who were removed from his care on the 11th May by CC&PA and placed at the Red Cross Convalescent Home for Children. The father was encouraged to look at the positive side of this situation especially the way in which these children can benefit. He visits his children regularly at the Home and the CM has learned that a family has volunteered to take them into their care and the documentation has already been prepared and signed.
- The CM visited and spoke to a grandmother and grandfather who both consume a lot of alcohol and have the responsibility of looking after 2 grandchildren a boy and a girl while their mother goes out to work. The CM and others would see these 2 children on the road without any clothing on at times. It has been brought to the attention of the CM that the girl, who is about 3 yrs old, is known to plays with her genitals. The grandparents were counselled to stop their consumption of alcohol as this was prevention them from effectively caring and nurturing their grandchildren. In this very home 5 years ago the grandparents's son had impregnated his niece who gave birth to a child. As a result of this the other grandchildren in the home at the time were removed and placed in a Home where their lives are reported to be much improved.

Hosting of Movie Night and fundraising activity for resident of Covent Garden -17th May

- The movie night was very successful as a total of 81 residents, 59 females and 22 males attended. There was no fee for viewing the film, however snacks such as hot dogs, channa, pholouri, mithai, puri, cool down etc donated by SC members, were on sale. The movie was scheduled to start at 18:00hrs, but due to technical difficulties it started half an hour late.
The movie shown was 'Provoked' which is about domestic violence and the difficulty of leaving domestic abusive relationships. It was also hoped that the movie would bring

home to residents the horror and dangers of DV and raise awareness. While the movie was being shown it was obvious that the audience was won over to the heroine situation and was paying rapt attention as the drama unfolded.

Members of the SC did a good job in seating persons and assisting in the selling of snacks etc. The Movie Night was well organized, the only hitch was that the last 10 min of the DVD was scratched so the audience was not able to see the conclusion of the film. The residents were promised that on the next Movie Night they would view the end of 'Provoked' along with another movie.

Due to the late start it was not possible for comments to be taken at the end realizing that the following day was a school day and many children had attended the showing. The few persons who stayed back to help tidy-up shared how sad it was to see the woman in the movie having to endure excessive verbal, physical and sexual abuse at the hands of her husband.

The project team sees the need for more Movie Nights in this community as the turn was so good and those who had not been informed were disappointed they were not there after hearing from those who were how wonderful the night was. At the end of the movie the audience was informed, that all funds raised from the sale of snacks were going to be used for other activities to benefit the community.

Steering Committee Meeting – 10th May

A total of 7 persons attended the steering committee meeting including 2 new members. The meeting discussed the recent Movie Night and outlined the strong points and weaknesses in the planning and execution. The treasurer reported that a total of \$8,280 was made from this activity. Steering Committee members agreed that the funds raised would be allocated to constructing a garbage receptacle for the disposal of garbage for the community. The SC members are to source quotations for the cost of this.

The hosting of other Movie Nights was discussed, suggestions were made that these could be held every 2 months and 2 Movies could be shown- one for children during the day and another for adults in the evening. Other suggestions were that everyone should be taught on how to use the projector, when children are present it is important to monitor what is being shown and SC needs to be more sensitive re days chosen taking into consideration children and school.

A Pampering Session was planned for 15 fathers on the 20th June, Father's Day which would include hair cuts, pedicures and manicures. Two barbers and 2 professional pedicurists are confirmed for this activity. SC members will donate cake, channa and juice for the event as well as sourcing through donations, tokens for Father such as tea cups, shirt-ties, socks, belts etc.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Resident – 20th May

- The CM and a Steering Committee member visited this female resident to continue a discussion on the Movie Night film showed. The project team explained that the project was not encouraging violent retaliation of abuse of any kind but instead wanted to let persons know that abuse is wrong and should not be tolerated by anyone. They also stressed that an abused person does not have to stay in an abusive relationship while explaining the entrapment process and factors which prevent persons from leaving.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 20th May

- The CM and Steering Committee member spoke to a female parent who expressed concern for 2 sisters aged 13 & 15. It was reported that the 15 yr old does not go to school but stay at home to look after her little sister and the home on a daily basis while the mother works. The 13 yr old has dropped out of school and is now pregnant for a 24yr old man. It is also suspected that a smaller sister who is at nursery school is being

fondled by an individual who is supposedly related to her. It was reported that whenever this male calls the child and she refuses to go, the mother would order her to go. At this home, men are always present - this is well known in the community and the neighbours are very concerned.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Resident – 20th May

- The CM and Steering Committee member met and discussed the Movie Night film shown Provoked with a female resident. This resident did not agree with the outcome of the movie. The project team members discussed entrapment, the reasons for staying in abusive relationships, and the power and control wheel. Rape in marriage was also discussed and its emotional effects on a relationship.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Resident – 25th May

- A return visit was made to meet with the mother of the pregnant 13 yr old girl. The mother related that she had met with the Minister and the child is being counselled. She also disclosed that she and the parents of the father, who is 24 yrs old, had met and agreed that the young man (father) will take care of the needs of the baby, clothing etc before and after birth. The mother does not believe she has failed her daughter or children.
- The CM and Steering Committee (SC) member spoke with the sister of the 13 yr old girl who is pregnant as reported above. She was open and frank and said she had wanted to speak to someone before. She blamed her mother for her sister's pregnancy and said she is being treated indifferently by her mother. She also disclosed that her stepfather would address herself and 13 yr old pregnant sister as whores and chase them out of the house. She shared much about herself, the kind of things she wants to do and how she would rather be in a foster home rather than where she is presently. According to the project team members it was appalling to hear some of the things she recounted. She also spoke of a friend of hers whose parents are alcoholic, the father is reportedly being accused of sexually molesting an older sister and her friend. She also said that young girls engage in transactional sex with older. She also admitted that the home is always full of men it does not matter if the mother is home or not.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Resident – 25th May

- A visit was made to the home of a female resident whose husband is an alcoholic and abuses her. The CM and SC member had previously given her H&S's numbers to call if and when she needed assistance or help. However the woman said she had asked her neighbour to call on her behalf one day but this was unsuccessful as she reported that the H&S number kept ringing out.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Resident – 31st May

- The CE, CM and SC member visited the father of the young man who impregnated the 13 yr old. He said he was aware of the seriousness of the situation, effects and consequences on the life of the girl. He disclosed that the girl was raised in his home and blamed the situation on alcohol. The project team members told him that his son should have seen the 13 yr old as his sister as they grew up together and was very wrong to do what he did. They also discussed the dangers of alcohol abuse and the effects it has on one's judgement with the father.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Residents – 31st May

- The CE, CM and SC member met with 3 women who expressed their concern for the children who live on the Sea Dam who are still not attending school but continue to traverse the streets everyday. They wanted to know what H&S was doing about this. The

project team members explained that the mother of the children knows exactly what she has to do but seems to be uninterested in the education of her children. The CE CM and SC member plan a visit to this area but at the moment due to the rain the area is not accessible.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Residents – 31st May

- While engaging in conversation with 3 women it was brought to the attention of the CE CM and SC member that one of them has a mental condition and her 7yr old daughter is being molested by her brother aged 25 who uses drugs. This family lives on the Sea Dam and there are reports that this same brother was know to masturbate near to this child. From all reports molestation and rape runs in this particular family.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Resident – 31st May

- The CM while visiting this home was informed of a situation which has disrupted this family. It was disclosed that the mother of 2 children aged 3 and 2yrs was accused of theft and is now imprisoned. She was put on bail but so far the family has not been able to raise the bail money to get her released. Since she has been in jail the 2 children are very distressed and would cry and keep asking for their mother constantly according to the grandmother in whose care they are now. The grandmother is not in good health but has to shoulder the task of caring for the children as the other family members are not shouldering any responsibility. Other family members were also implicated in the theft of this jewelry but have denied any involvement.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Grade 6 Primary School Students – Teenage Pregnancy – 31st May

A total of 32 students, 13 girls and 19 boys between the ages of 10-12 participated in this 2 hr session on Teenage Pregnancy.

For this session the facilitator had set the topic, Teenage Pregnancy hoping to have another class who were more mature, unfortunately this class was out, so the teacher decided to join 2 classes together for the session. Feedback from the session indicated that participation was not very good as some of the students were too young to really benefit from this topic. Out of the class of 32 students only 1 girl repeatedly asked questions and shared personal experiences. During the discussion this girl disclosed that her mother had been raped after opening her door to a stranger.

It was felt that the topic was too mature for this age group as most of the students were unable to give answers to questions asked about this topic. It was suggested that a back up topic should always be prepared to benefit a different audience or participants.

Covent Garden Nursery Teachers – Alcohol Abuse – 24th May

- A total of 6 female teachers participated in this 1 hr session on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. The session was facilitated by the CE and CM. during the session teachers shared experiences of the effects of alcohol and drug abuse on a person's health. One teacher knew of a drug addict whose autopsy showed the damage that drugs has done to his brain. Another teacher expressed concern for the health of her ex-husband who started smoking at the age of 9 yrs and continues to smoke daily. Another teacher shared the experience of a couple who decided to experiment with a date rape drug resulting in the young woman almost dying and having to be hospitalized until she recovered from this ordeal.

COVENT GARDEN COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN –June 2010

Date	Activity	Time
7/6/2010	Awareness Session- Healthy/Unhealthy Relationships- Covent Garden	

	Primary School Students	
/6/2010	Awareness Session-Covent Garden Secondary Students	
14/6/2010	Steering Committee Meeting	
20/6/2010	Pampering Session for Father's Day	
21/6/2010	Awareness Session- Covent Garden Nursery Teachers	
23/6/2010	House to House Visits	