

BUSHBUCKRIDGE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

HEAD OFFICE: BUSHBUCKRIDGE

COMMUNICATION UNIT

TEL NO: (013) 799 1845/6 EXT. 227

FAX NO: (013) 799 1865

PRIVATE BAG X 9308

BUSHBUCKRIDGE

1280

www.bushbuckridge.gov.za



Enq: Malatji M
Cell: 071 689 0232

16 February 2012

PRESS STATEMENT

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TO THE EDITOR

SUBJECT: BUSHBUCKRIDGE STI/CONDOM WEEK AND ROAD SHOW CAMPAIGN

Bushbuckridge local municipality through the Social Development Portfolio Committee will tomorrow host an STI/Condom Week and Road show Campaign that is aimed at highlighting the impact of STI's relating to HIV/AIDS, the main objective is to educate Justicia community members and the surrounding areas about different kinds of STI's and how they are further related to HIV/AIDS pandemic. The campaign is scheduled to take place tomorrow the 17th of February 2012 at Justicia Open Ground next to Mkhetshe School at 10H00 am, kicking-off with a Road Show from the Lillydale Taxi Rank to the Main Event Venue at 09h00 am.

The Portfolio Committee on Social Development with the help of the Department of Health has identified Justicia and the surrounding areas because are the most affected and without knowledge or proper education with regard to STI's and how they relate to HIV/AIDS as well as the impact thereof. The municipality has also made available Public Services by inviting HCT which deals specifically with Counselling and Testing of HIV/AIDS, the Department of Home Affairs on issues of ID Books and Passports applications as well as SASSA which will focus on Pensions and Grants application.

The availability of these services in this campaign is government's efforts of trying to bring services closer to the people. The Road Show is aimed at highlighting how serious STI's infections are and the role they play on HIV/AIDS pandemic and that it has no colour or race. The event will be graced by amongst others by the Hon. Executive Mayor of Bushbuckridge Local Municipality Cllr Renias Khumalo flanked by the Social Development MMC Cllr Flominah Timba and the Portfolio Committee Members, Councillors, Sector Departments and Community Members.

Regards,

Matome Malatji (CPRP) NO. 55318

Communications Manager

Email: malatjim@bushbuckridge.gov.za