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Working together to fight crime

NGOs, NPOs and CPFs held a meeting to discuss ways of curbing crime including models available in security sectors

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THE provincial government has partnered with NGOs, NPOs and communities to fight crime in the province.

The department of community safety and transport management said the implementation of 10 by 10 campaigns continued to strengthen the partnership on the fight against crime in the province.

The department said: "In one of the activities, the department held a meeting at the Ventersdorp police station with NGOs, NPOs and Community Policing Forums (CPF's), to discuss ways of working together in an integrated manner to fight crime including funding models available in the security sectors, specifically dedicated to efforts geared towards the drastic reduction of crime in general."

Safety and transport MEC Mpho Motlhahane said it was exciting to see communities coming forth to work with the government willfully in fighting the scourge of crime.

"What excites us more is that we are starting to see even more men coming forth to fight domestic violence and all elements of crime within our communities," Motlhahane said.

"Men are mostly perpetrators, now with more men coming forth in registered structures and being prepared to stand up against this scourge, we are satisfied that we are moving in the right direction.

This is a positive sign that we will win this fight against crime."

During the state of provincial address, Premier Supra Mahumapelo said with the reduction of 1% on property related crimes among others, the province had



WORKING TOGETHER: Some community policing forums received resources to help the police fight crime. PICTURE: SIPS

key stakeholders such as the community through the CPF's, other government departments and the private sector. To date, the department has already signed contracts with various service providers in every town and village of the province in order to win the battle against crime."

Crime suspect in court

A 31-YEAR-old man who has been arrested for the illegal possession of a firearm and ammunition was due to appear in the Ga-Rankuwa Magistrate's Court today, North West police said.

Sergeant Kelebogile Moleko said the man was arrested on Monday in Klipgat, east of Brits, by the Brits Trio Task Team in connection with crimes including carjacking and several robberies.

"Following information received about the firearm, the police went to the suspect's house.

"During a search the firearm with seven (rounds) of live ammunition was found inside the house. The suspect was arrested," she said. - ANA

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