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## LIQUOR AWARENESS WORKSHOP

In minimizing the impact of alcohol abuse amongst communities within the North West province, the Department of Economy and Enterprise Development will be hosting an awareness workshop on the 17th August 2018 at Brakspruit, Ventersdorp.

The workshop is as a result of high rate of alcohol abuse within farming areas as workers do not have anything to do during their spare time and this impact negatively on productivity.

The focus of the workshop will be on negative impact of alcohol abuse, relationship between liquor abuse and finances as farm workers spend their wages on alcohol which result family disruptions.

Most of the farm workers are experiencing health problems due to high consumption of alcohol which led to physical abuse, violence against women and children. This overload the health system as the money that was supposed to treat terminally ill patients is used in the wrong way.

South African Police Service (SAPS) has reported that most of criminal activities reported on weekends are caused by people under the influence of alcohol.

Amongst the presenters will be representatives from Departmental Liquor Regulation and Business Licensing Units, Consumer Affairs and SAPS.

The workshop is targeting liquor traders, young people and communities within Brakspruit and surrounding farms.

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