

Bana Pele: A call to participate in Child Headed Households Research Project

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The emergence of Child Headed Households throughout the country has dramatically increased the number of impoverished and vulnerable children. This has prompted the Department to conducting research on Child-Headed Households. The project will run from March to June 2008. This project is part of the Bana Pele Programme (Putting Children First), which provides integrated services to needy children throughout the province.

Benefits

Benefits will be among others, protection, free school uniform to grade 1 children receiving a child support grant and free health care services at Gauteng public health clinics, including exemption from school fee in line government policy.

Invitation

All Gauteng children under the age of 18 years caring for children are requested to register with the Gauteng Department of Social Development to be part of a provincial database on Child Headed Households. Communities should also refer households under the care and supervision of a person under the age of 18 years.

Communities should ensure positive identification by fieldworkers when they give any information. The identification should show the face, name and registration number of the field worker. No payment is required for this registration.

Please call us

Fieldworkers will be available at all local health facilities in Gauteng . Contact your health facility from the 15 March 2008 for your area dates. For information, please call this toll free number 0800 212 396 or 012 681 1400 or should you have problems with the toll free number please feel free to call the following: Gauteng Department of Social Development on 011 355 7760/7929/7766 or 012 654 0314

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