



## PROGRAMME OF ACTION

The 16 Days Campaign will no longer be an event but a year-long programme which will be monitored and evaluated to determine the extent to which laws and programmes aimed at eradicating VAW&C have significantly improved their lives. The Campaign will be intensified and will ensure that men and boys are part of the solution. Therefore the 16 Days Campaign programme is as follows:

1. **21 November 2014** National Assembly and Provincial Legislatures Debate on the 16 Days Campaign and VAW&C. The **National Debate** on the Campaign is envisaged to take place during a special sitting of the National Assembly and the Provincial Legislatures. It is proposed that the Torch of Peace be lit before entering the National Assembly and candles be lit in various Provincial Legislatures.
2. **22 November 2014** Nelson Mandela Walk to raise awareness on violent crime in South Africa and to promote a safer South Africa - Department of Women and SRSA
3. As part of continuity, the department will lead **National and Provincial Dialogues** beyond the Campaign period. This will involve multi-disciplinary and inter-departmental teams to ensure adequate support during the dialogues. This initiative will provide a platform for all South Africans to engage in identifying interventions responsive to their experiences.
4. **25 November 2014** – Launch of the 16 Days Campaign in Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality at Reiger Park. **Cleaning of Hotspots:** Open fields, high grass, dilapidated buildings and deserted areas tend to be crime hot spots and where fatalities of gender based violence are often found.
5. **29 November 2014** – A national event in Virginia, Lejweleputswa District Municipality. **Cleaning of Hotspots:** Open fields, high grass, dilapidated buildings and deserted areas tend to be crime hot spots and where fatalities of gender based violence are often found.
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often found. The department will partner with COGTA to ensure that all municipalities' commitments are carried forward and the cleaned areas are maintained as such.

7. National Prayer in Remembrance of all Victims who died as a result of VAW&C and the surviving victims of VAW&C and those who continue to live with VAW&C. All churches requested to pray in memory of women and children who died because of violence against women and children, and giving hope to those women and children who are currently victims of violence. We request Provinces to facilitate Provincial Prayers.
8. **1 December 2014** - World AIDS Day - Department of Health, The Presidency DP, SANAC, Free State Premier's Office and Department of Women
9. **3 December 2014** - International Day of Persons with Disability - Department of Social Development, Parliament and Department of Women
10. **6 December 2014** – National Prayer at Johannesburg Stadium
11. National Prayer Day for women and children from all walks including, sex workers, abused women and children - to show them that South Africa cares
12. **10 December 2014**: The commemoration of International Human Rights Day: The Day of Commitments which also marks the end of the Campaign. Will be hosted as a Morning Breakfast Show where government department's yearlong action plans will be launched.
13. **10 December 2014**: Presidential Men's Dialogue at the Presidential Guesthouse at the Union Buildings.
14. **13 November 2014** Pimville Men's march from different places culminating at Zoë Bible Church/Grace Bible Church. Department of Women, Zoë Bible Church, Grace Bible Church and other Pimville Community Leaders
15. Additional linkages as the Campaign draws to a close include the Arrive Alive Campaign and the start of the festive season by the Departments of Transport and SAPS respectively. As we enter the festive season the torch of peace symbolises the importance of peace in the home and in community and the integration of departments will be shown through the passing on of the torch of peace to the department of transport supported by SAPS.
16. To ensure an integrated approach to raising awareness on the inter-linkages between GBV and HIV and AIDS and increased vulnerability of persons with disability to GBV the department will collaborate with the Departments of Health and the Social Development in commemorating World AIDS Day on 01 December and International Day of Persons with Disability on 03 December.