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# MEC Mazibuko to hold a consultative meeting with stakeholders on Gender Based Violence Response Plan

The Gauteng MEC for Community Safety, Faith Mazibuko, will on Sunday the 08<sup>th</sup> of March 2020, which also marks the International Women's Day, hold a consultation meeting with various stakeholders and the community on the Provincial Gender-Based Violence Response Plan at the Johannesburg City Hall. The plan was announced by Premier David Makhura at his State of the Province Address on the 25 February 2020, and gives effect to the President's Emergency Response Action Plan (ERAP) on Gender-Based Violence and Femicide.

MEC Mazibuko will unpack the 5 pillars underpinning the Response Plan, as adopted from the National Emergency Plan. The response plan includes, amongst others, provision of a comprehensive and coordinated support for survivors in the Criminal Justice System through a network of 23 safety houses and victim empowerment centre in all five corridors. The plan also includes the setting up a focal point panel of gender activists, located in the Office of the Premier, to coordinate government, civil society and private sector interventions against gender-based violence and femicide.

The meeting is expected to be attended by various law enforcement agencies, civil society and community members across all five corridors in the province.

## The details of the consultative meeting are as follows:

DATE	:	Sunday, 08 March 2020
TIME	:	10H00
VENUE	:	Johannesburg City Hall

Media houses attending the launch can send confirmations to Hlulani Mashaba on **073 064 5863** or <u>hlulani.mashaba@gauteng.gov.za</u>

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