



STATSSA Partnership Launch

Community Chest has joined forces with Stats SA as the official civil society managing agent for Census 2021. Through this partnership, we represent Western Cape-based NGOs and civil society on a national Sectoral Working Group (SWG) providing input on the development of South Africa's progress report towards achieving the global Sustainable Development Goals.

In addition, Community Chest will formalise a long-term partnership with StatsSA to align Community Chest's data collection criteria to meet StatsSA requirements, which will enable us to inform national-level social-economic stats from a grassroots level.

The launch of the partnership took place in Hout Bay in February 2020 where local community members received hands-on training from StatsSA in information and data gathering in preparation for being official numerators for Census 2021.

CEO Lorenzo Davids declared, "it's an honour to partner with StatsSA as they begin the critical task of counting our country's people. Through the data we weave a story of how we partner with government to deliver services to communities. The value of data confirms that every citizen's story matters and that every citizen has a right to service delivery."

The weekend session enabled the homeless and transient population to be counted and our involvement will continue to enable the building of vital data information to be used by government to target and improve service delivery to all the people of South Africa.

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