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Community Development Measures)**

**The Denham Town Community Zone
Social Intervention**

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Social Intervention Report

(as at July 17, 2019)

This Honourable House is being requested to note that after the enactment of the Law Reform (Zones of Special Operations) (Special Security and Community Development Measures) Act, the Prime Minister on the advice of the National Security Council, declared the Denham Town Community as the second Zone of Special Operations (ZOSO).

The Zones of Special Operations (ZOSO) combine a robust security approach led by the Jamaica Constabulary Force (JCF) and the Jamaica Defence Force (JDF), and a Social Intervention Component that coordinates and implements social development measures by the various agencies, Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) and the private sector.

The Social Intervention Committee (SIC) is guided by a social intervention framework comprising seven development areas which focus on: Physical Environment, Land Tenure, Community Safety, Human and Community Development and Employment, Business and Economic Development, Spiritual and Faith Based Intervention and Leadership.

The Zone has been in the 'Build Phase' since March 2018. Since the ZOSO was first declared in Denham Town, over fourteen (14) targeted interventions have been completed, benefiting over 2,500 residents directly and indirectly out of 8,000 residents. These include health services, infrastructure upgrade, education-based interventions, youth development, behavior modification and entrepreneurship.

Significant works are also scheduled to be completed with respect to the transformation of the physical environment, including an expansion of the solid waste management programme and improvement to water and sewage infrastructure. These are programmed to be completed by March 2020.

The Tables below provide an outline of the progress of the social intervention components in the Zone, as well as the various agencies that have marshalled or contributed to the delivery of the components, notably the following:

The Jamaica Social Investment Fund (JSIF)
The Registrar General's Department (RGD)
The Social Development Commission (SDC)
The Jamaica Constabulary Force (JCF)
The Jamaica Defence Force (JDF)
Denham Town Community Development Centre
The Ministry of Education, Youth and Information (MEYI)
The Ministry of National Security (MNS)
The Ministry of Labour and Social Security (MLSS)
The Ministry of Tourism
The HEART Trust/NTA
The Housing Opportunity Production and Employment (HOPE) Programme
Peace Management Initiative
Fight for Peace
Denham Town Community Development Centre (CDC)
J. Wray & Nephew

TABLE 1: DENHAM TOWN - NEW ACTIVITIES EXECUTED DURING JUNE 5 – JULY 17, 2019

<p>Physical Infrastructure Upgrade</p>	<p>Denham Town Integrated Infrastructure Project (IIP)</p>	<p>JSIF</p>	<p>Works ongoing in the execution of the Denham Town IIP to date to execute the following scope of activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rehabilitation of 3.05 km of roadway 2. Installation of 6.99 km of new water pipelines in the community 3. Upgrade to sewage system 4. Upgrade to drainage system 5. Installation of fire hydrants
<p>Community Safety</p>	<p>Community Safety Initiatives</p>	<p>JSIF, Joint Force & Denham Town CDC</p>	<p>Since April 2019, the joint Force, JSIF and the CDC have been doing a number of initiatives including doing a base line survey with the youth and others in Denham Town, to determine the issues that most impact them with respect to security. It also includes a number of information sessions. Following these sessions, the Denham Town Youth Forum was held on June 20, 2019, where the issues and findings have now resulted in the development of plan to introduce five pillars of the JCF community safety plans:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Curfew Programme for youth 2. Mentorship programme 3. Safe Schools programme 4. Youth Clubs 5. Consultative committee <p>Launch of the Denham Town Safe Community projected for September, following community sensitization to the initiative. Among the partners working on this initiative are:</p>

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. JSIF 2. Fight for Peace 3. Peace Management Initiative 4. SDC 5. Joint force 6. West Kingston Police 7. Denham Town CDC 	<p>Eight Ancillary workers selected from the St Albans Primary, St Anne's CAP and within the wider Denham Town Community to start a training Programme. The participants commenced training in literacy and other basic skills development areas. They will receive formal certification on conclusion of the Programme.</p>	<p>HOPE Programme & Denham Town CDC</p>	<p>JSIF</p>
<p>Approximately 200 youth from Denham Town are enrolled and engaged in a training Programme that is community based and held daily at the Denham Town Community Centre. Youth are exposed to skills training and basic life skills development.</p>	<p>Skills Training Programme for Unattached Youth</p>	<p>Civic Leaders Development Programme</p>	<p>In an effort to develop a team of positive community leaders, JSIF has hired three civic community persons as civic leaders from Denham Town. The individuals applied to the Programme and had to demonstrate their commitment to the community and involvement in the civic life of the community. They are a focus point to mobilize the community and to develop indigenous ideas to support the community development working in partnership with other community state actors and NGOs.</p>

TABLE 2: SOCIAL INTERVENTIONS COMPLETED THE ZONE SINCE OCTOBER 2017

INTERVENTION	ACTIVITY	AGENCIES	OUTPUT
Academic Development: (Children & Youth)	Summer Camps – 2	JSIF /Peace Management Initiative, Fight for Peace, Denham Town Community Development	2 summer camps were held between July and August 2018: (a)Camp #1 - 165 children and youth aged 6-16 yrs. old (b)Camp #2 – 43 male youth from Denham Town, Rema and adjoining communities, were exposed to a one-week residential retreat, and behavior change and motivational training.
Alternative Livelihood Development	Skills Training and Alternative Livelihood	JSIF	55 Student completing training at four institutions in programmes ranging from Business Processing, Software development and online entrepreneurship.
Academic Development	GSAT Classes & Science Quiz	JSIF	235 Students engaged in Life skills Project from the following Schools: Chetolah Park & Mel Nathan, Denham Town Primary and St. Anne's
Civil Registration	Civil Documentation	JSIF & RGD	200 Residents issued with new Birth Certificates
Wellness and Community integration	ZOSO Labour Day Project - St Albans Primary	Joint Force/ Denham Town CDC & JSIF	Members of the security forces and the community residents painted five classroom and other external areas of the St Albans Primary school on May 23, 2019 through a joint initiative. Over 30 gallons of paint and other supplies were provided for the intervention.

<p>Wellness and Community integration</p>	<p>ZOSO Fun run</p>	<p>Joint Force/ CBOs & JSIF</p>	<p>Over 2,500 residents and visitors took part in an exciting run through Denham Town. They also have opportunities to interact with residents and enjoy local cuisine prepared by residents.</p>
<p>Joint Social Welfare Engagement</p>	<p>Under the leadership of the Ministry of Tourism a number of Agencies are being mobilized to provide the following services to the community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health Screenings - Recreation - Career Services - Cultural showcase 	<p>Ministry of Tourism/ Other SIC Agencies and Community Based Organization.</p>	<p>Event executed on September 23, 2018 Over 300 plus residents attended and benefit from the services. Evening also include live performances from groups in Denham Town, and headline acts Agent Sasco.</p>
<p>Health</p>	<p>Community Health Clinic</p>	<p>150 Residents</p>	<p>Over 300 residents received medicals following the intervention of the Kingstons Public Health Department. Residents were able to access basic primary medical care, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Childcare • Treatment for basic wounds • Curative
<p>Infrastructure Development</p>	<p>Zinc Fence Substitution</p>	<p>JSIF</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 923 meters of zinc fence removed and replaced with concrete fencing • 200 households directly benefiting

Social Welfare	Community Social Services Fair	SIC Agencies: JSIF SDC MNS MLSS HEART Trust	Over 300 services provided to residents in the community including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Registration for Skills Training ▪ Civil documentation ▪ Dental checks ▪ Medical checks
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TABLE 3: INTERVENTIONS IN ACTIVE IMPLEMENTATION IN DENHAM TOWN ZOSO

Intervention	Activity	Number of Beneficiaries	Implementation Timeline
Academic Development	Behavior Modification programme (Ministry of Education) using the School Wide Positive Behavior Intervention Support Framework	Over 3,000 students from the Denham Town High among 12 western Kingston based primary and high schools to be supported with a 12-month programme to adopt positive behavior among children in the Zone	Ongoing - MOE Regional 1 team leading initiatives, including conducting Behavior Change workshops using the School Wide Behavior Intervention Framework dubbed (SWPBIS) with the schools in the community including Denham Town High, and Denham Town Primary and St. Anne's CAP. A social worker is finalizing contractual details with JSIF and will support the overall Programme implementation. Initiative to be supported until March 2020.
Parental Support Programme	Parenting training to parents of students attending schools within the zone	Approximately 300 parents to benefit	National Parent Support Commission with funding from JSIF is executive the Parent Place Capacity Development initiative that included a workshops and provision of literature on effective parenting. Programme to continue active implementation until March 2020.

<p>Civil Registration</p>	<p>Civil documentation</p>	<p>Provisions are in place to support at least a further 200 residents.</p>	<p>Ongoing - Residents are able to apply to JSIF to have the birth certificates.</p>
<p>Human and Community Development and Employment</p>	<p>Enterprise Development</p>	<p>Twenty-Three (23) Entrepreneurs selected and are being trained to become entrepreneurs.</p>	<p>Ongoing: Capacity building workshop conducted with a further 20 potential beneficiary entrepreneurs plus the originally shortlisted beneficiaries, who will be certified, and will receive equipment for the business development</p>
<p>Community Safety</p>	<p>Capacity Development Grants for Youth Groups</p>	<p>Over 300 youth from Denham Town will directly be supported through the various programmes to be funded.</p>	<p>Ongoing: Programme ongoing and will see over 200 youth in Denham Town afforded opportunities to participate in various youth focused initiatives. Programme to conclude December 2019</p>
<p>Community Safety and Security</p>	<p>Neighborhood Watch: [Capacity building]</p>	<p>8,000 residents</p>	<p>Ongoing: Denham Town Safe community elements being communicated with residents. Safe community launch projected for September 2019.</p>

Environmental Management	Grant Scheme to incentivize the community to adopt better solid waste management and environmental programmes	8,000 residents	The Programme will allow the Denham Town CDC to access up to J\$6M to improve the community green spaces, implement solid waste management facilities and to support environmental resilient programmes within the community. Application and request now pending review.
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Prime Minister

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