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and  
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## Social Intervention Report

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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 Greenwich Town Community as the third Zone of Special Operations (ZOSO) on July 1, 2020.

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

The Social Intervention support, which was coordinated by the gazetted Social Intervention Committee saw social programmes that focused on two key strategies: Crime Prevention Through Social Development (CPTSD) and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED).

A key objective of the interventions and programmes was to ensure the community was reconnected to the key agencies of government that deliver each programme, thus engendering sustainability and credibility among the citizen that their government is the legitimate provider of support services.

The Social Intervention Committee (SIC) is guided by SIC framework comprising of seven development areas:

- Physical Environment.
- Land Tenure,
- Community Safety.
- Human and Community Development and Employment.
- Business and Economic Development.

- Spiritual and Faith Based Intervention; and
- Leadership.

The ZOSO is built around the approach of Clear, Hold and Build, the latter is which ensures long term institutions are developed within the community.

The Greenwich Town Community is in the Constituency of Southwest St Andrew. The community is considered urban with a population of approximately 4,400 residents and over 1,100 households.

The community has been identified as one of the most volatile and vulnerable communities in Jamaica on the Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ) community renewal index. This has seen the community identified as a priority community of the GOJ Integrated Community Development project that targeted 18 high risk communities. This project is currently ongoing and will be further scaled up with the introduction of the ZOSO in the community.

The Zone will adopt the same development pillars as the other ZOSOs in Denham Town and Mount Salem. It should be noted that the community was part of a major urban renewal project by the Government of Jamaica that has been making significant investment in its physical infrastructure and social development.

The ZOSO will see a further scale up of these activities. Critically, the community has benefited from the following suite of interventions that were deployed and principally funded by the GOJ between 2015-2019:


**SUMMARY OF GOJ PROGRAMMES COMPLETED PRIOR TO THE ZONE**

1. Road works with over 7.1km of new asphalted roadway completed in the community.
2. Water Improvement with 800 water laterals to allow for household connections.
3. Zinc fence substitution with 778 meters completed.
4. Livelihood interventions including summer programmes and skills training benefitting over 80 youth in the community.
5. Rehabilitation of the St Andrew Primary school which support the community.
6. Entrepreneurial support for businesses in the community
7. Provision of civil documentation to over 300 residents.

## RESULTS – July 16, 2021 – October 8, 2021

1. **Social Intervention Committee** - The Social Intervention Committee (SIC) of the Greenwich Town ZOSO convened one meeting on October 7, 2021. The Deputy Prime Minister was in attendance as well as key intervention partners. The meeting focused on identifying interventions that target the most at-risk youth in the zone. The Heart training initiatives, and the MOE programmes are among the programmes that will form the locus of the new push.
2. **Enterprise Grant** – Ten fisherfolk received new boat engines to support their enterprise. Phase II of the Enterprise programme also commenced with fifteen applicants being in the final stage of the evaluation process to received grant support to the sum of J\$2.9M.
3. **ICDP Solid Waste Management Cycle I** - This project resulted in the engagement of 26 environmental wardens, the construction of 16 metal and concrete skip enclosures, and installation of 45 solid waste collection bins. This was supported through the GOJ ICDP II in the sum of J\$6.5 million.
4. **Summer Camp 2021** - Over a three-week period, 131 children from the zone were engaged in remedial classes around numeracy and literacy. The initiative which included a blended approach given the COVID-19 restrictions was executed over the month of August.
5. **Zinc Fence Substitution** – Works are on-going and are approximately 20 per cent completed to remove 300 meters of zinc fence and replaced with concrete walls, along with the installation of new sidewalks.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Install Park furniture e.g, benches and tables</li> <li>▪ Landscaping and decorative bricks</li> <li>▪ Clean-up and disposal of garbage</li> <li>▪ Install enclosures with garbage bins</li> <li>▪ Construct one gazebo</li> </ul>		contracting methodology.
<b>Social Development</b>	300	Provision of birth certificate and TRNs	Operation Certification	Residents are currently able to access services free of charge through a GOJ allocation through the ICDP II of J\$2M.- Ongoing.



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**ACTIVITIES UNDER ACTIVE IMPLEMENTATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR TO MARCH 2022**

INTERVENTION	ACTIVITIES	TARGET	BENEFICIARIES	STATUS
<p align="center"><b>Infrastructure Development</b></p>	Zinc Fence removal and substitution	Support the removal and substitution of approximately 300 meters of zinc fence with concrete fencing	Seventy (70) households are expected to directly benefit from this intervention.	Works currently 33 per cent completed.
	Installation of Additional sidewalks	1.8 km of sidewalks to be installed throughout the community.	4,000 residents of Greenwich Town	
	Train and employ 12 Environmental wardens for one (1) year.  Equipping of EWs - tools & safety gears.		4,000 residents of Greenwich Town	Interviews ongoing to complete the recruitment of personnel, while the Community Financing Agreement is also being finalized. Projected start period November 2021.
	Rehabilitation of small parks and green spaces	2 green spaces to be upgraded  ▪ Install perimeter fencing	4,000 residents	Contract signed in the value of J\$3m. Works being implemented using the CBC