



**DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
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**To: All Media Houses,
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**MEC MAPULA MOKABA-PHUKWANA TO LAUNCH CHILD PROTECTION WEEK
AND MARK INTERNATIONAL FAMILY DAY 2018**

The MEC for the Department of Social Development, Hon. Mapula Mokaba-Phukwana, will lead the launch of the Provincial Child Protection Week (CPW). Through the event she will make a clarion call to everyone to care for children, love them and give them all the support they need to grow, thrive and become the stars of tomorrow.

This year's theme is: "LET US ALL PROTECT CHILDREN TO MOVE SOUTH AFRICA FORWARD". Children from various schools and communities have been arranged to form part of the event during which they will be engaged to build awareness amongst them for their protection and safety. Other stakeholders such as the South African Police Service, Department of Education and the National Prosecuting Authority will play a role during the program.

The Department hosts activities aimed at enhancing the protection of children within communities and schools throughout the year.

The Department has since planned to couple the launch with the **International Day of Families** which is marked on the 15th May yearly. The day is meant to recognize the pivotal position of the family unit in society as the foundation for humanitarian values and growth.

Equally, various activities around the building and supporting of families continue all year long in all the five districts focusing on various areas of importance for families.

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the event as follows:

Date : 28th May 2018

Time : 14:00

Venue: Tshifulanani Lutheran Church, Lwamondo, Thulamela Municipality, Vhembe

Kindly Note &/ be reminded that MEC will start the day by wrapping up the Employee Engagement & Tools of Trade Distribution Roadshow at Thohoyandou Children's Home at 10:00.

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