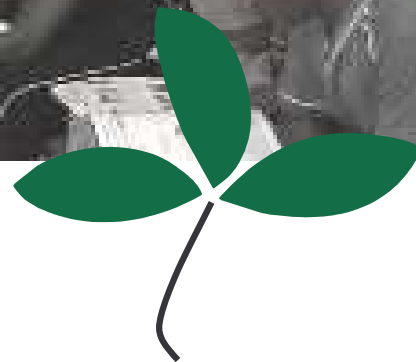


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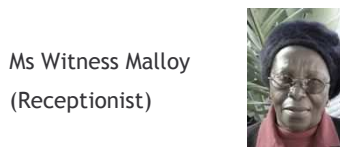
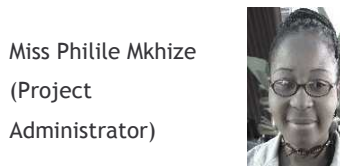
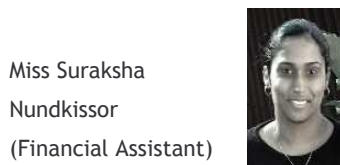
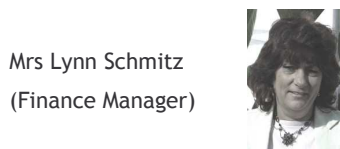
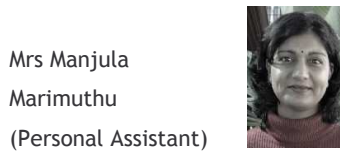
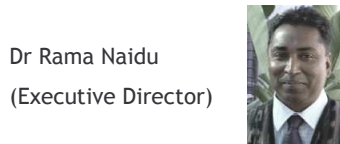
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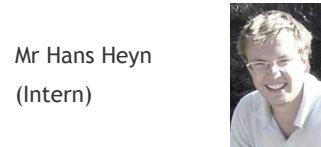
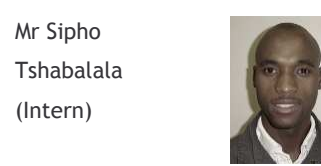
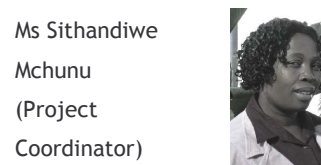
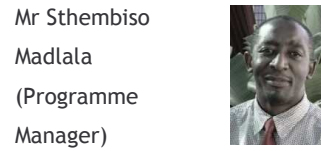
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Introduction

Ten years later....the struggle goes on

While reflecting on our relatively peaceful transition to democracy in South Africa, we need to bear in mind that the pursuit of democratic ideals is an ongoing process and that we never quite arrive at our destination. Democracy is - by its very nature - an imperfect system. Jawaharlal Nehru said “Democracy is good. I say it because other systems are worse.” So, how is South Africa really doing?

I believe that what we see happening in South Africa at present is symptomatic of a country that is still in a transitional process. We have not yet crossed the threshold at which we can claim that our democracy is a mature one, like that of many Western nations. Any period of transition is characterised by conflict whilst players jostle to assert their power. We see these conflicts being played out between the ruling party and its alliance partners, between state and civil society, and between the different organs of state. What then are the roles of civil society organisations during this period of transition?

The DDP is of the opinion that our major work has to be in the arena of enabling citizens and communities to assert themselves so that they are recognised and acknowledged as key players in their own developmental journey. If this does not happen their voices will be muted and their interests trampled on. We believe that citizens are extremely knowledgeable about their situation and their contexts. They do not need people or civil society to speak on their behalf. Our role has to be a facilitative one in which we encourage meaningful participation by removing obstacles within the system which enables communities to speak and act for themselves. Meaningful participation can only come from active citizenship at all levels.

This paradigm shift has meant that we need to look more closely at processes rather than products. We also need to understand that true and sustainable shifts in power relationships can only be successful if it is truly owned by the people who are most affected by it.

DDP’s learning culture and constant reflection on its work has taught us that for democracy to take root, we have to create programmes and processes that affect citizens in a real and tangible way. We have to view our work more holistically and work with others who bring added value to the process. We have therefore forged a number of partnerships to strengthen our impact.

What then are our challenges?

- To recognise that true empowerment is taken, not given
- To identify the expertise of the people we work with and fully understand our role as facilitators in a process, rather than delivering a product
- To constantly reflect on what is happening in the developmental landscape and respond to them as true development practitioners

- To build civil society partnerships across the different sectors so that we may speak with a strong and united voice on issues that concern us and to collaborate with one another in tangible ways so that our work has greater impact and is cost effective
- To create a community of like minded organisations based on our deep founded values of democracy as embodied in our constitution
- To hold true to these values even when we have to challenge the status quo
- To actively create more ‘popular spaces’ for peoples voices to be heard, and more importantly to track and take up these concerns with the relevant stakeholders

As an active learning organisation, DDP is always reflecting and learning from practice. To remain pertinent within the civil society arena, we must continue to work with citizens and communities to enable them to realise the fruits of their struggle, to be truly free and to share the fruits of their hard won democracy.

Dr Rama Naidu
(Executive Director)

Ward Committee Training

Effective participation in the local governance process

Enhancement of collaboration among local government stakeholders within municipalities

Empowerment of community structures effective governance and community development

In 2002, the Democracy Development Programme formed a consortium with the Community Law and Rural Development Centre (CLRDC), the Provincial Parliamentary Programme (PPP), and the Institute for Multi Party Democracy (IMPD). It was agreed that the new challenges, which South Africa's local government sector was facing since the introduction of new structures and systems, needed addressing. The objective of the consortium was to minimise the new challenges through capacitating local government stakeholders in all municipalities throughout the Province of KwaZulu-Natal.

A pilot capacity building programme for six ward committees within the Umhlatuze Municipality in the Uthungula District was launched thereafter. During these training workshops, DDP soon identified great uncertainties amongst ward councillors in terms of their roles, responsibilities and basic functions within municipalities, which emphasised the importance of training ward committee members across the province. Subsequently, DDP developed a training guide and reference book, *Community Participation through Ward Committees* (for details, see our publication section of this report).



DDP's Ward Committee Programme 2004-2005

In 2005, DDP worked with a variety of local municipalities which fall within three district municipalities: Uthungulu-, Zululand- and Umgungundlovu District Municipality.

The focus of the workshops has been on the transformation of South Africa and its local government system; community participation and legislation promoting such participation; how ward committees are established; what their duties and responsibilities are; how municipalities work; and codes of conduct.

“I’m happy and proud of the lessons I gained in this workshop, I am motivated to go back to the community and practice what I learnt”

“I am excited - this workshop was an eye opener, I learnt how I can participate in the community and to work close with my ward councillor.”
(Mr Phakathi, Pongola Municipality)

District Municipality (DM)	Uthungulu District Municipality	Zululand District Municipality	Umgungundlovu District Municipality
Local Municipality (LM)	Ntambanana LM Umlalazi LM Mbonambi LM Umhlathuze LM Mthonjaneni LM	eDumbe LM Abaqulusi LM Upongolo LM	Umngeni LM Richmond LM Mkhambathini LM
No of Workshops	19	10	9
No of Participants	633	360	241

Ward Committee Training October 2004 - November 2005

During a consultation process, that preceded the workshops, DDP established contacts with council representatives in each of the targeted municipalities. This facilitated the presentation of the programme to the municipality. Within each municipality one person was chosen as the liaison person, responsible for the logistics and ensuring equal representation (women and youth) of the wards. An intensive three-day training of trainers’ workshop for twelve volunteers was also conducted in order for them to assist in the facilitation process of the programme. It is envisaged that by November 2005, 40 workshops would have been conducted and 1.243 people would have been trained. In cases where the municipalities have too many wards, it was decided to train representatives with the objective of achieving a multipliable effect.

Ward Committee Programme in 2006

Due to the upcoming local government election in 2006, DDP will put this programme on hold in order to engage in an in-depth evaluation process with stakeholders on the effectiveness, efficiency and impact of the programme, training manuals, facilitation approach and methodology. In future, however, DDP will look at capacitating ordinary community members to participate on issues that concern them within their municipality. Ward committees cannot be regarded the sole representatives of communities. There are numerous community structures, such as HIV/AIDS forums and safety and security forums, which stand outside formal participation structures. DDP wants to focus its training on integrating the ward committees and these community structures.



Citizen's Participation in Local Government

Community Participation in Ntambanana

Ntambanana, in Northern KwaZulu-Natal, is one of the six municipalities that falls within the boundaries of the Uthungulu District. The municipality is characterized by a lack of infrastructure, high rate of unemployment and abject poverty.

DDP's intervention in Ntambanana has been a result of an intensive evaluation of previous DDP programmes in terms of their impact and effectiveness. Furthermore, it was also a result of identifying limitations and shortcomings of various local government interventions in terms of the capacity of local communities to participate and the failure of many municipalities to create adequate space for community participation.

During 2005, DDP has developed an integrated model of community participation within local government issues of Ntambanana. After jointly identifying HIV/AIDS, Low Economic Development, and Safety and Security as real community concerns, committees were formed and guidelines developed to address these challenges. These guidelines were presented to the relevant stakeholders and the municipality. In order to ensure endurance of the programme, stakeholders from the three identified sectors and from the municipality were equipped with practical skills of monitoring and evaluating the implementation of policies. The project was thereafter handed over to Ntambanana.

“What excites me most is that we will be the first municipality to have comprehensive community initiated policies ... Thanks to the DDP for recognizing a potential in us although we are such a small and struggling municipality”.
(Mr Mkhize, Municipal Liaison Office, Ntambanana)

PHASE	OBJECTIVE	ACTIVITY	OUTCOMES
Phase 1 November - January	Collective <i>identification</i> of pressing social needs whereby community can participate effectively towards their alleviation.	Research and consultation with stakeholders Identification of critical needs and key intervention areas	Four key areas of participation identified: HIV/AIDS, Safety and Security, Local Economic Development.
Phase 2 February - March	Identification of structures, organizations and individuals involved in HIV and AIDS	Meeting with organizations involved in HIV and AIDS and developing of training material : <i>Municipal Response to HIV and AIDS</i>	Selection of a committee that will facilitate the process of formation of HIV/AIDS forum
Phase 3 April	Identification of ways to address economic challenges facing the municipality in a more coordinated manner	Consultative meeting with LED stakeholders and the municipality	Formation of an LED forum Identification of a municipal liaison person to assist the forum
Phase 4 April	Bringing together structures involved in safety and security and assist them to identify	Meeting of safety and security stakeholders Identification of key	Selection of a facilitating committee Establishment of a safety

	key challenges and possible solutions	capacity building areas	and security forum
Phase 5 May-June	Increase capacity of stakeholders to engage constructively with the municipality in order to address challenges relating to HIV and AIDS at community level	Capacity building workshops on: Local economic development; Safety and Security; HIV and AIDS	Understanding of how the community can cooperate with the municipality in addressing these issues in an integrated and effective manner
Phase 6 July-August	Development of clear guidelines, principles and strategies to address challenges associated with the three focal areas	Development of: Local economic Development Policy; HIV and AIDS Policy (Municipal response), Municipal Safety and Security strategy	Strategies and policies are presented to the municipality and relevant stakeholders for input and adoption.
Phase 7 August-September	Empowered stakeholders from the three sectors and the municipality with practical skills of monitoring and evaluating the implementation of policies.	Monitoring and evaluation workshop (2 days)	Practical monitoring and evaluation tools Enhanced capacity of stakeholders to monitor implementation. Handing over of the project to the municipality.

This integrated model of community participation has already been presented at conferences. DDP has since been approached to replicate this programme at other municipalities in KwaZulu-Natal and the Northern Cape. This will be considered after the local government election in 2006.

Inkundla Yabantu (Peoples' Dialogue)

Inkundla Yabantu is a DDP initiative aimed at promoting constructive dialogue, through the creation of space and platform for representatives from civil society and government to participate in matters of local government by expressing their views, concerns and opinions. Inkundla Yabantu aims to hold local government authorities accountable for their action or inaction in matters of development, governance, community participation and service delivery.

Through *Inkundla Yabantu*, DDP is promoting a culture of accountability and transparency by ensuring that those who were given the mandate to address community needs, do so in an open and appropriate manner. *Inkundla Yabantu* is allowing stakeholders to put issues in perspective and enabling them to have common understanding of the challenges facing them and thereby commit themselves to collectively find solutions to address these challenges. It aims to identify best practice and models of community participation and good governance models that could be documented and replicated elsewhere.

The first Community Dialogue, *Lack of Service Delivery in South Africa: Conspiracy or Legitimate Concern*, was held in eThekweni Municipality on the 15th July 2005. Amongst the ten invited panellists were the South African National Civics organization (SANCO), the Forum for Community Resource Centres, Homeless People's Federation, the South African Non Governmental Coalition (SANGOCO) and representative from different departments of eThekweni Municipality. Despite robust and sometimes heated debate, all stakeholders agreed that service

“Thanks to the DDP for creating this opportunity, which I think is the first time whereby community organizations and the municipality have an ample opportunity to share ideas and find a common ground. We wish to have more events of this nature.” (Themba Blose, COMBOCO Leader)

delivery is legitimate concern and more needs to be done by the municipalities, but also by civil society organizations. It was recognized that the programme is a viable and appropriate platform for exchange of ideas and dissection of critical developmental issues.

Inkundla Yabantu in 2006

An unintended outcome of the dialogue has been a request that DDP should coordinate a loose network of civil society organizations to contribute towards the staging of Inkundla Yabantu in 2006. DDP is planning to take *Inkundla Yabantu* to different districts in KwaZulu-Natal and the Western Cape. Processes, lessons and questions raised will be documented and forwarded to relevant municipalities and the Department of Traditional and Local Government Affairs. Moreover, DDP will have a monthly slot on three community radio stations titled *Inkundla Yabantu* that will focus on issues addressed during the community dialogue event.

Youth Programme

Since its inception, the Democracy Development Programme has incorporated youth as one of its main target groups. By doing so, we are ensuring that youth are becoming active citizens in their communities, contributing to reconciliation and the deepening of democracy.

Youth Participation in Local Government - uThungulu District Municipality

The programme seeks to intensify and improve the level of youth participation on issues of local governance by enhancing a good working relationship between municipalities and youth in the community. It is tailored to involve youth on issues that directly and indirectly impact on their development and equips them to hold municipalities accountable in terms of delivery. We are promoting the youth's active involvement in decision making processes on youth affairs and provide an opportunity for their input into municipal programmes, youth policies and development strategies aimed at them. The programme also targets municipalities in order for

them to develop clear guidelines in terms of youth development strategies and interventions through consultation with the relevant youth organizations and other stakeholders.

In 2005, DDP has targeted four local municipalities within the uThungulu District: uMlalazi, Mbonambi, Melmoth and Ntambanana Local Municipality. The programme consists of two main approaches. Firstly, it develops the capacity of youth to participate effectively in developmental initiatives within their municipal area. This involves a series of capacity building and training interventions designed specifically for this target group. To facilitate this process, DDP is using its training manuals *Leadership & Teambuilding*, *Conflict resolution*, *Choosing our Future*, and *Partners in Transformation*. Secondly, we are recognising that a major constraint confronting youth in municipalities is access to knowledge of how to access certain resources that may exist in communities. We therefore hold forums in these municipalities at which the youth can interact with invited government departments and businesses to gain access to information and resources that will assist in their developmental process. It is envisaged that a series of capacity building workshops will be held with youth structures in municipalities. These interventions will adopt a developmental approach with youth groups being taken through a series of structured training seminars, each reinforcing the lessons and experiences learnt. Moreover, DDP is planning to hold a district conference, which will incorporate the youth. It will focus on avenues for youth participation and involvement in local governance and also to explore opportunities for the youth in local governance procurement processes.

“Our municipalities are failing to involve communities on issues that affect them on a daily basis. Thanks to the DDP for raising our awareness on the importance of being informed and consulted about issues.” (Anonymous, Workshop at uThungulu DM)

Schools Project-Choosing Our Future

DDP has identified youth in schools as an important starting point for implementing interventions aimed at developing responsible citizens. Youth at high school age are more receptive to such programmes and they are in a transitional state into adulthood where certain decisions and lifestyle choices are made. There is an opportunity to influence some of the choices young people will make at this level. In this regard, DDP developed the *Choosing our Future* programme which is targeted at young people from Grade 10. The programme is a civic education programme which assists a young person to recognise their rights and responsibilities as young citizens in South Africa.



Choosing our Future is about creating social awareness and empowerment amongst the youth of South Africa through developing their leadership potential at an early stage, thus providing the necessary space for the youth to be able to co-exist in a multi-cultural and diverse environment. The project hopes to create a culture within schools for the participating learners to begin to embrace their social responsibilities and to understand issues of democracy and human rights within the context of a non-threatening environment. This project is based on the premise that the current realities that confront the youth of South Africa today are not ideal. Youth in our societies suffer from identity crises, lack of confidence and low esteem. This is further compounded by the divisions between the different race groups and communities which are still prevalent today, despite the transformative efforts of the State. South African youth have to reassess and readjust their operating paradigms if there is to be harmonious co-existence.

“I feel that the facilitator did an awesome job, I would recommend this programme to happen next time next year because it changed my perspective to life.” (Grade 10 Pupil, St George Campbell High School)

This programme seeks to facilitate this by:

- Assisting young people to understand their rights and democratic responsibilities as citizens of the country.
- Assisting youth to become responsible citizens of the country through effective participation in issues of governance and community development.
- Developing their leadership potential and instil a culture of self reflection as a tool for the future.
- Creating an understanding and respect between different racial groups, nationalities, and different cultures.
- Developing a culture of team spirit and partnership in the quest for participatory democracy.
- Developing personal qualities of tolerance, compassion, empathy, humility, self discipline, and moral and intellectual integrity.
- Allowing the participants the opportunity to reflect on the past injustices and begin a healing process thus creating space for understanding and celebrating their diversity.

DDP is currently running a three year programme at George Campbell Technical High School aimed at 266 learners in grades 10, 11 and 12. George Campbell School represents the racial



mix that is required for such workshops. In order to build an element of progression, the youth will first come into contact with the programme at grade 10 but will interact with it up until grade 12. Each year the programme will seek to expand on the knowledge already gained and broadens the scope of

their experiences. It is hoped that by the time the young person leaves high school, they would be empowered to make appropriate choices as responsible citizens in society.

The learners have enjoyed being part of this programme to the extent that some have committed themselves to act as peer educators around issues raised at this workshop not only within their school environment but within their respective communities as well. The programme has also succeeded in bridging the racial divide and creating a safe space where people from different backgrounds can share experiences and the realization that there are commonalities between different races.



Political Development Training

“I have been to several workshops ..., but a few have had this sound impact in my views on leadership, democracy and the true meaning of team work”.
(Mr Joe Mcgluwa, National Organiser, ID)

This programme is based on the need to develop the leadership skills and qualities of aspirant (future) young leaders in the Western Cape and KwaZulu-Natal. The project makes an assumption that by developing such leaders, the Western Cape, KwaZulu-Natal and the country at large, will benefit in terms of improved management of resources in these structures and an element of succession will be built for the (future) leadership of political parties.

During 2006, DDP held four such leadership workshops in KwaZulu-Natal and the Western Cape for political parties and institutions. Our programme has, however, reached beyond these provinces as delegates from 6 other provinces have taken part in the workshops. Many prominent local leaders politically or otherwise from KwaZulu-Natal have attended DDP leadership development programmes.

DDP aims to build and improve the existing leadership skills and political activism of young leaders so that they are equipped to play an effective role in minimizing corruption in higher institutions and political structures through a structured training and reflective process. The programme creates a platform for various political leaders and student leaders to share experiences and to tolerate their differences in a safe environment. At the same time it gives them the opportunity to explore their strengths and weaknesses by realising their full potential for leadership.

Each workshop is structured and focuses on developing leadership capacity amongst those, who are leaders and/or future leaders within the political environment.

During the process, these leaders become conscientised on their roles and responsibilities as leaders of a constituency.

Participants are assisted to acquire an in-depth understanding of the broad concept of leadership and the qualities that are needed to be a good leader. Participants also gain a better understanding of themselves, their behaviour as well as their personalities and how these impact on their leadership styles, through the use of reflective based leadership development approaches.

Civil Society Programme

DDP subscribes to the philosophy that, without a politically aware and vigilant society, democracy is incomplete. We are therefore committed to promoting a vibrant civil society by enabling it to engage with the government on issues of governance, human rights and service delivery through workshops, political forums, dialogues, and conferences. The civil society unit aims at enhancing and strengthening community participation through organising relevant workshops for capacity building of South Africans and by working with other NGOs in advocating causes that strengthen participative democracy.

Capacity Building Programme

DDP continues to capacitate and empower different civil society organizations, whilst enabling them to fulfill their roles of representing the interests of their respective communities. More than 57 organisations, which focus on democracy, human rights and community participation, received training in 2005. After the training, DDP monitors the organisations' activities in order to assess the impact and effectiveness of the training. Through these workshops, DDP has become one of the very few organization committed to the up-lifting of grassroots organisations.

Advocacy and Lobbying Workshop

For most civil society institutions, advocacy is recognised as part of the institution's mission. Often, however, there is uncertainty as to what can and cannot be done in a public policy space. In order to engage effectively in policy and lawmaking, organisations need sufficient knowledge of legislative structures and processes, coupled with a sound grounding in advocacy and lobbying skills. DDP therefore organised an advocacy and lobbying training workshop that taught DDP and several other organisations that were invited, about different tools and techniques.

KwaZulu-Natal Constitutional Dialogue

With the objective to strengthen controversial debate about the constitutional issues that affected KwaZulu-Natal at the beginning of the year, DDP, the Centre for Public Participation (CPP), IDASA and The Mercury organised a constitutional dialogue. Likewise, different political organisations (IFP, UDM, ANC, NNP, SACP, and ACDP) were invited to deliberate on their perspectives about the draft constitution of this province. Despite their differences, it was encouraging to see the degree of respect, co-operation and engagement amongst representatives of the political parties and the various representatives of civil society.

The underlining notion was that all citizens, including the weak, the disorganised and the powerful, should have a say in the decisions that affect their lives. The dictum that people of high intellect, lawyers and politicians are the only ones who are fit to debate over constitutional issues was once again being challenged in the workshop. The notion of meaningful public hearing was employed to afford the people of KZN an opportunity to comment on the draft constitution.

State of Democracy in South Africa - Afro-Barometer Survey Findings

DDP invited the Afrobarometer Team to launch their latest survey results on the state of democracy and government performance in South Africa. The launches were held in Durban and Cape Town and civil society was invited to attend. The workshop also reflected the perceptions of government corruption in South Africa and citizen's experiences with public service.

Forum on Judiciary

In August, DDP held a forum on the Transformation of the Judiciary in South Africa. The forum was addressed by members of the legal fraternity, including Prof Mubangizi (Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Law, UKZN), Mr Krish Govender (National Executive Member of NADEL), and Judge Japie (Judge of the High Court, KZN). While the debate centred around the legal premise of the separation of powers that is enshrined in our constitution, it also brought up issues around access, poverty, the 'untouchability of the judiciary', the accountability of judges, gender and racial imbalances in the judiciary, as well as the meaning of transformation within the judicial context.

Democracy and Voter Education Programme

"May we take this opportunity to thank you ... most sincerely for your support and being model pioneers in KZN for introducing this voter education programme using community radio. This will not only help our community (listeners), but it will go beyond that as it will improve our programming. We thank you and looking forward to work with you". Simon Nsele (Maputoland Community Radio Station Manager)

During our workshops and forums it has become increasingly apparent that Communities have not yet realised the importance of voting. The Democracy and Voter Education Programme aims

at raising this awareness in KwaZulu-Natal through education that focuses on democracy and voting for the upcoming Local Government Elections of 2005/6.

DDP, in cooperation with Artworks Communications and the Durban Cartoon Project, have developed and produced a set of participatory and interactive media products that will be used during the programme. The rollout of the programme has brought on board nine civil society organizations and networks throughout the province: KwaZulu Natal CBO Network, COMBOCO (Network of CBO's), SANGOCO (NGO Coalition), KwaZulu Natal Christian Council, Diakonia Council of Churches, Community Law and Rural Development Centre, Practical Ministries, MV Youth Organization and PACSA. This is being heralded as one of the largest co-operative efforts of civil society in the Province.

DDP's aim is to reach potential voters in KwaZulu-Natal through two mediums: workshops and the radio. Four Training of Trainer workshops have been conducted in 5 regions of KwaZulu-Natal: Inland, Midlands, South Coast, eThekweni and Zululand. These trainers will then have to co-ordinate 10 workshops in their regions between October and December 2005.

During the workshops, interactive and illustrative material designed for this programme will be used. It focuses on the deepening of democracy; on developing maturity amongst voters by getting them to engage more effectively with local politicians; to exercise their rights and responsibilities; and on the technical aspects of voting.

The second medium consists of a media programme on democracy and voter education whereby mini dramas will be aired on six community radio stations around KwaZulu-Natal. The focus of the drama recordings is based on: *How and why do I register, Why do I need to Vote and for Whom do I vote*. These three themes have been identified through a highly consultative process with various stakeholder and partners who are providing valuable skills, expertise and leadership in this process. Each drama airing will be followed by call-ins from the public for questions and comments that will be addressed by guests at the radio station.

The programme has the full endorsement and support of the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Electoral Commission, which has pledged to assist in the provision of technical resources and infrastructure in rural communities. This programme is in alignment with the IEC's National Framework for Voter Education for the Local Government Elections.



National Local Government Conference

The DDP, in partnership with the School of Public Administration and Development Management of the University of KwaZulu-Natal, has hosted its 2nd National Local Government Conference from 5 - 7 October 2005 at the Elangeni Hotel in Durban. The Conference was partially sponsored by the Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation, Charles Steward Mott Foundation, CAGE (European Union) and First National Bank. The theme of the conference was “The Second Decade of Local Democracy - Towards Accelerated Service Delivery” and accommodated 140



delegates and 26 speakers. Topics dealt with included Housing Management, Planning and Service Delivery, Public Health, NGO and Community Involvement and Intergovernmental Relations.

Volunteer Programme

“My facilitation skills have improved, I have gained a lot since I started working with DDP, I am proud of myself,” (Bathobile Mbili, volunteer facilitator)

“Volunteering at DDP has created a platform for sharing ideas, gain experience especially on local government and in training people as facilitators.” (Mr Thabo Moroka)

25 volunteers joined DDP in 2005. One of our priorities is to organise training workshops for our volunteers, such as Training of Trainers (ToT). We use the ToT workshops for intensive training to unpack many issues that relate to volunteerism and expectations when they join DDP. This will help us to create a more professional, more inclusive and more accountable working environment for the volunteers. 2 of DDP’s volunteers that were involved in our Ward Committee Programme in 2005 decided to pursue facilitation as a career and are in the process of being accredited as facilitators. Others were involved in the media phase of our Democracy and Voter Education project as voice actors.



Publications to Date

Recent Publications:

"Second Democratic Municipal Elections: Community Manual" (2005)

The Guide will assist communities to understand the importance and procedures of casting one's vote.

"Members' Legislative Proposals: A Guide for the National Council of Provinces and Provincial Legislature" (2005)

This publication would assist members of the NCOP and the Provincial Legislatures to be proactive in generating legislative proposals, based on the needs and requirements from their constituencies.

Previous Publications:

"Community Participation Through Ward Committees" (2003)

"Leadership and Team-Building" (2003)

"Choosing our Future - A Guide for Young Leaders" (2003)

"Managing Conflict at Community Level" (2003)

Some Events 2005

FEBRUARY

Conflict Resolution and Organisation Development Workshop for Homeless People's Federation to enable them to run their organization with all its branches effectively.

MARCH

KwaZulu-Natal Constitutional Dialogue in partnership with IDASA, CPP, and The Mercury.

APRIL

Workshop on Advocacy and Lobbying facilitated by Contact Trust.

Leadership and Teambuilding workshop for the South African Democratic Student Movement (SADESMO).

Leadership and Teambuilding Workshop for the ANC Youth League.

MAY

Launch of the Afrobarometer Survey Results in Cape Town and Durban.

Strategic Planning Workshop for South African National Civics Organisation

(SANCO): establishment of a three year strategic plan for SANCO and assist the organization to reflect on its mandate, capacity and challenges.

Leadership workshop for the Eastern College for Further Education Students representative councils in order to capacitate them with leadership, organizational and personal development skills.

Organisational Development workshop for Young Women's Network.

Youth Participation in Local Government Workshop in uMlalazi, Mbonambi and Ntambanana Local Municipalities. All these workshops belong to our Youth Participation Workshop in the Uthungulu District Municipality.

JUNE

Workshop for SANGOCO to increase members' understanding of local government and how to exercise their leadership and conflict resolution skills in engaging effectively with municipalities.

Leadership and Teambuilding workshop for the Independent Democrats (ID).

Youth Participation in Local Government Workshop in Melmoth Local Municipalities (Uthungulu District Municipality).

JULY

Ward Committee Training for Mkhambathini Municipality and uMhlathuze Municipality (KZN).

Roll Out of Democracy and Voter Education Programme (KZN): 14 Pilot workshops were conducted during July in urban, rural and semi-rural areas, townships and informal settlements.

Start of 3-year "Choosing our Future" project at St George Campbell School in KwaZulu-Natal. 7 more two-day workshops followed.

Training for the Coloured Community Forum to increase leadership capacity and conflict resolution skills, thus enabling them to play a more meaningful role in matters of local government.

Strategic Planning workshop for the South African Youth Council.

Strategic Planning workshop for the Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP).

Team Building (Project ACCEPT) in Durban.

Peoples' Dialogue: *Lack of Service Delivery in South Africa: Conspiracy or Legitimate Concern?* Panellists were present from the following

organisations: South African National Civics Organization (SANCO), Coalition of Civil Society organizations (COMBOCO), Umlazi Ratepayers Association, Forum for Community Resource Centres, Cato Crest Concerned Residents Association, Homeless People's Federation, South African Non Governmental Coalition (SANGOCO), eThekweni Municipality Housing Department, eThekweni Municipality Councillors (from different portfolio committees), eThekweni Municipality Electricity Department.

AUGUST

Launch of the Members' Legislative Proposal (A Guide for Members of the NCOP and Provincial Legislature) in Cape Town.

Conflict Resolution workshop for Congolese Refugees Forum.

Ward Committee Training for Ntambanana Municipality: Training for more than 50 Community Based Organisations on writing a constitution, registering an NPO, running an effective organization and applying for Municipal grants. This training was requested by the eThekweni Municipality.

Ward Committee Training for Mbonambi Municipality.

Political Forum on the Judiciary. Speakers: Prof Mubangizi (Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Law, UKZN), Mr Krish Govender (National Executive Member of NADEL), and Judge Japie (Judge of the High Court, KZN).

Ward Committee Training for uMhlatuze Municipality.

Leadership Workshop for the Coloured People's Forum.

SEPTEMBER

Youth in Local Government workshop for the Young Men's Christian Association.

Auditions and recordings of voice actors for radio mini dramas for the Democracy and Voter Education Project.

OCTOBER

Second National Local Government Conference in partnership with the University of KwaZulu-Natal. Durban (Elangeni Hotel).

Voter Education Radio Drama KZN.

Financial Report

WORKSHOP CLAIMS 2005

GRANTORS	GRANTS	BUDGETS	EXPENSES	Balance	Projected	TOTALS	Balances	
			Konrad Adenauer	Till Sept		Oct till Dec		
KAF	3,573,692.90	1,255,445.82	Training/WShops	756,267.51	499,178.31	616,341.63	1,372,609.14	-117,163.32
till September		77,940.69	Info	53,029.41	24,911.28	6,350.28	59,379.69	18,561.00
Sold Vehicle	29,000.00	1,621,320.69	Salaries	1,108,565.23	512,755.46	413,229.82	1,521,795.05	99,525.64
Expected in Nov	62,000.00	38,584.50	Travel	30,660.50	7,924.00	7,924.00	38,584.50	0.00
		648,219.60	Running Costs	490,904.93	157,314.67	157,395.07	648,300.00	-80.40
		23,150.70	Equipment	2,199.98	20,950.72	21,793.64	23,993.62	-842.92
	R 3,664,692.90	3,664,662.00		2,441,627.56	1,223,034.44	1,223,034.44	3,664,662.00	-0.00

WARD COMMITTEES

	Funds Received	Budgets	EXPENSES	Balance	Projected	Totals	Balances	
MOTT	653,775.00		WARD Committees	till Oct				
OSF	263,000.00	468,000.00	Workshops	392,959.06	75,040.94	11,936.03	404,895.09	63,104.91
		121,300.00	Salaries	80,868.22	16,058.28	40,434.17	121,302.39	-2.39
		18,000.00	Communications	11,546.78	3,127.53	2,408.17	13,954.95	4,045.05
		80,487.00	Running Costs	53,461.38	18,648.70	8,082.06	61,543.44	18,943.56
		30,000.00	Evaluation	0.00	30,000.00	55,590.00	55,590.00	-25,590.00
		15,000.00	Audit	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
		130,500.00	Printing/Supplies	120,008.06	5,700.00	24,481.07	144,489.13	-13,989.13
			Local Gov Conference	100,000.00			100,000.00	0.00
	R 916,775.00	863,287.00		758,843.50	88,534.51	157,931.50	916,775.00	R 0.00

	Budgets	MASS MEDIA	Expenses (Oct)	Balance	Projected	Totals	Balances
OSF	200,000.00	105000	Radio Development	R 101,974.00	0	R 101,974.00	R 3,026.00
		60000	Broadcasting	R 0.00	70000	R 70,000.00	R -10,000.00
		25000	Proj Coordination	R 0.00	25000	R 25,000.00	R 0.00
		10000	Radio Liaison(5 Mo's)	R 0.00	3026	R 3,026.00	R 6,974.00
		200000		R 101,974.00		R 200,000.00	R 0.00

Added one more Radio Station

TOTALS	R 4,781,467.90	R 4,727,949.00	R 3,302,445.06	R 4,781,437.00	R 30.90
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Grants

Budgets

Projected Expenses

Surplus

INCOME STATEMENT

INVESTMENT STATEMENT

31ST October 2005

Grants		R 4.781.467.90
Other Income		R 186.429.85
Projected Workshop claims 2005	-	<u>(R 4.820.129.78)</u>
Operating (deficit)/Surplus		R 147.767.97

Cash in Bank:		R 776.920.41
DDP1: Standard Bank: R 609.167.98		
DDP2: Standard Bank: R 167.852.43		

INVESTMENTS:		R 2.441.404.83
Investec:	R 1.904.005.96	
Link Account:	R 537.398.87	

INTEREST EARNED:		R 137.588.41
Investec:	R 98.795.84	
Link Account:	R 38.792.57	

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Partners

Artworks Communications	Maputoland Radio
Centre for Public Participation	MV Youth organization
COMBOCO (Network of CBO's)	Newcastle Community Radio
Community Law and Rural Development Centre	Ntambanana Municipality
Department of Local Government and Housing (Provincial)	Okumhlophe High school
Diakonia Council of Churches	PACSA
Durban Youth Radio	Practical Ministries
eThekwini Metro	Radio Khwezi
Fair Share	SANGOCO (NGO Coalition)
Highway Radio	Sortep Communications
Icora Community Radio	University of KwaZulu-Natal
KwaZulu-Natal CBO Network	Uthungulu District Council
KwaZulu-Natal Regional Christian Council	Vuleka Productions
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