

HELP & SHELTER
WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER GERMAN COMMITTEE PROJECT
MONTHLY M&E REPORT- AUGUST 2010 - Submitted by Danuta Radzik

Community Educators' Monthly Reports

KANEVILLE

Community Educator: Tessa Greene

Community Mobiliser: Juliet James

Community: Kaneville, East Bank Demerara

Activities: A total of 11 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 249 Females: 178 Males: 71

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 46 Females: 43 Males: 3

H&S Leaflets Distributed: 525

of H&S Posters Distributed: Nil

of Other Posters Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits

- House to house and counselling visits in Kaneville
- Medical outreach clinic
- Awareness session with members of the Full Gospel Church
- Awareness session with Post Natal Clinic at Craig Health Centre
- Steering Committee Snack Sale

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

House to House & Counselling Visits – 1st August

- The CE met with a mother and 16 yr old daughter who were referred by a member of the Diamond Women's Group. The problem reported was that the teenager was very abusive to her mother while the stepfather was verbally abusive to both mother and daughter. Even though the teenager was identified as the cause of the problem on probing it was discovered that a few years back the teenager had been abused and blames her mother for not protecting her at the time. Due to her behaviour the teenager was sent to live with various relatives but this did not work out and she was always sent back to her mother. The CE was also informed that the teenager does not follow house rules and as a result the stepfather retaliates by withholding money for the teenager. The teenager has been performing academically well at school but has also been displaying behaviour problems. The CE referred the mother and daughter to the Ministry of Human Services after counselling them on discipline, anger management, communication and how to build trust. The father had visited H&S and had spoken to one of the counsellors but was not satisfied with the result. He as also not prepared to visit the Ministry of Human Services and was very abusive to the CE on the phone and made verbal threats against his family.

House to House & Counselling Visits – 12th & 19th August

- In this visit the CE learnt that a 36 year old female resident was having problems with her 13yr old stepson who had run away from home and went to his biological mother. When this resident went to the police station to report the matter she was arrested based on the allegations of abuse made by the child. She was subsequently released after her husband spoke to one of the officers. A decision was made to allow the boy to remain with his biological mother. The CE suggested that the couple seek help for both themselves and the boy at the Ministry of Human Services ASAP since sending him away in her opinion would not help him to deal with the anger and indiscipline they claimed he showed.

On this follow up visit it was learnt that the stepmother had visited the Ministry of Human Services as suggested. Letters were also sent by the MHS for her husband the child's biological father and the biological mother to come in for counselling. She disclosed that at the MHS counselling session she learnt that her husband was still angry towards his mother for walking out on him when he was a little boy and understands why the stepson is also so angry and why he ran away a number of times to visit his biological mother. The CE and CM were also informed that the 13 yr old has to visit the MHS once per month for counselling since he also verbally abused his mother.

House to House & Counselling Visits – 21st August

- The CE met with a 29yr old female resident who revealed that she resides with her 32 yr old abusive and alcoholic husband and 6 children, 5 girls and 1 boy ages 1-12 yrs. She explained that her husband does not work consistently and when he does he spends all the money he earns to buy alcohol. In addition, her husband has been accusing her of having another man in her life and threatening to injure her. The residents also stated that her husband's father, mother and sister have constantly been abusing her and her sister in law was locked up once for hitting her. The residents said she reported the matter to the police that morning at 8 am but up to 1 pm the police had not visited her home as was promised. When the CE checked with the station one of the police stated that he could not make any comment on the matter as the other police who has taken the report was not there. The CE suggested to the female resident that she revisit the station as well as the Ministry of Human Services for guidance with reference to the maintenance of her children as she was insisting that she did not want to continue in the relationship. The matter of joint property was also raised and the CE informed the client that the Ministry staff will be able to guide her about obtaining the necessary orders. Follow up revealed that she did visit the Ministry and was given a letter to give to her husband to visit the Ministry.

Medical Outreach – 23rd August

- A total of 124 persons, 78 females and 46 males received some form of medical assistance during this 6 hr medical outreach programme. Medical services offered were blood pressure testing, vaccines against the HINI and yellow fever. The CM also facilitated a short awareness session on Anger Management with residents while waiting to see the health workers. A total of 285 H&S leaflets on Anger Management, Rape, Child Abuse and H&S Fact Sheet were distributed.

House to House & Counselling Visits – 26th August

- The CE, CM, and SC member visited a female resident who stated that she and her children were constantly being verbally abused by a 12 yr old child in the neighbourhood. The residents did speak to the child's mother but got no redress, as the mother was also abusive. The CE discussed some strategies the female residents and her children could use if they were approached by the 12 yr old boy. She was also advised to notify the police about the 12 yr old boy's behaviour about any threats, since previously the boy had threatened to lash her with a piece of wood but luckily another resident intervened to stop him. The SC member also promised to organize a meeting with the youth who congregate at the corner in front of her house in the afternoons as this boy is usually in the same group.

House to House Visit – 26th August

- The CE and CM also visited the gym and were given permission by the owner to have sessions at the gym with her clients.

House to House & Counselling Visits – 27th August

- The CE and CM met with a male resident of 3rd Field who reported being abused by his wife. He said that she had left the home a few days ago and taken their 8th month boy child with her. She had told him that she would not be coming back to live with him. He showed a mark on his face where he said she had bitten him. The male resident said he needed help to get the baby back. He was advised to visit the Ministry of Human Services.
- The CE and CM also did a walk about in the community and spoke with 20 residents, 12 females and 8 males about DV.

Steering Committee Fund Raising Snack Sale – 28th August

- Steering committee members prepared the snacks for sale to raise funds for students who performed well at the recent Grade 6 Assessment Examination. Present at the sale were the vice chairpersons, assistant secretary, treasurer and CM. The fundraising sale raised a total of \$5,800. Other donations received were \$2,000 from Nigel's Supermarket and \$5,000 from the NDC. Residents were high in their praise for the effort as they felt that this would motivate children to do well at school.
A total of 77 H&S leaflets on Wife Abuse, Anger Management and H&S Fact Sheet were distributed.

House to House Visit – 29th August

- The CE and CM paid a follow up visit to the woman who has breast cancer. She is in dire need of financial help as her children do not assist her. The CE and CM will organize some sort of assistance for her in the new month.
- While walking through the community a male resident indicated his appreciation that the CE and CM and others were still interacting with residents in the community.
- The CE and CM also visited the Pool Shop and the Gym with the hope of doing an awareness session with clients. Only 3 males were in the pool shop and the music was very loud. The owner who normally facilitates the CE and CM was not around, only her husband, who was a little reluctant to turn down the music so it was not possible to chat with the 3 men present. At the gym the owner has rescheduled class that day due to other pressing business.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Awareness Session – Full Gospel Church – Women's Independence -21st August

- A total of 13 female Church members, between the ages of 25-65 yrs participated in this 1 ½ hr session to sensitize residents on the issue of Women's Independence. The discussion centred around the issue of independence and whether this was a good or bad thing. The group examined whether being independent causes conflict in relationships and how far a person can take independence. Participants shared examples of their independence over finances and decision making in the home. The pastor's wife inquired whether the women think that they should have a secret bank account or stash of cash hidden away from their husbands. Most of the women did not believe that they should have hidden bank accounts because marriage is a partnership. Two women shared incidents where women who told their husbands of their money were badgered and even tricked out of their finances. Some of the women agreed that independence can be taken too far. However all agreed that independence is good because it contributes to raising the self esteem of women. The session was lively and the CE and CM were asked to return next month to continue with a follow up session.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were all rated as very good. A total of 13 H&S leaflets on Anger Management were also distributed.

Craig Health Centre – Post - Natal Clinic- Role of Parents-Discipline – 20th August

- A total of 46 parents, 43 females and 3 males between the ages of 16-61 yrs participated in this 1 ¼ hr session on Role of Parents in Disciplining Children.

The CE discussed with mothers some rules for effect discipline. She explained that discipline does not have to be violent but rather can be applied with love and firmness. Parents spoke about the old ways of punishing children for bad behaviour such as putting clothes clips on ears, kneeling on graters, being beaten until the child’s skin is branded and then having to bathe with lime and salt. The CE pointed out that all those forms of punishment were in fact abusive and should not happen to anyone. The usual argument was given i.e. that these forms of punishment did not kill them but helped them to be better person were voiced by some parents. The CE introduced and examined alternate measures of discipline with parents. One male participant was of the view that bad behaviour was inherited and that people in communities need to go back to the old way of looking out for each another.

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation was good, understanding of the topic presented fair and facilitation and the session overall good. A total of 150 H&S leaflets on DV, Child Neglect & H&S Fact Sheet were distributed.

KANEVILLE COMMUNITY EDUCATOR’S WORK PLAN - September 2010

Date	Activity	Time
2/9/2010	Steering Committee Meeting	5pm
/9/2010	Awareness Session- Full Gospel Church	7pm
4/9/2010	Kaneville Community Walk	3pm
4/9/2010	Awareness Session- Kaneville Gym	5pm
9/9/2010	Awareness Session-Craig Health Centre	8.30am
16/9/2010	School Visit-IPE, DDS, Zenith	9.30am
	Distribution of Tokens to Grade 6 Assessment Students	
	Awareness Session-VBS Full Gospel Church	
25/9/2010	Focus Group Discussion with Men (young men)	
26/9/2010	Focus group Discussion with Men (older men)	
29/9/2010	Awareness Session- Grove Health Centre	8.30am

DEN AMSTEL

Community Educator: Ebeth McIntosh Christie

Community Mobiliser: Gaitree Bacchus

Community: Den Amstel, West Coast Demerara

Activities: A total of 5 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 82 Females: 70 Males: 12

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 51 Females: 51 Males:

H&S leaflets Distributed: 20

MLHSS DV Posters: Nil

GHARP Booklets (Super Gang & The Player): Nil

GHARP Posters: Nil

Empowering Women Booklet: Nil

HIV Leaflets & Booklets: Nil

H&S Posters: Nil

of Condoms Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- To conduct an awareness session on Healthy Relationships with Den Amstel Pre Natal Clinic
- To conduct an awareness session on Suicide with residents of Children's Home
- To attend and participate in Steering Committee meeting
- To conduct an awareness session on Needs of Men and Women with Den Amstel Pre-Natal Clinic
- To conduct an awareness session on Healthy Relationships with Kingdom Connection Youth Group

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

Steering Committee Meeting – 24th August

- A total of 7 females attended the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss ideas for making Den Amstel a violence free neighbourhood. The social activity for youth was not held but persons present said they will try to host this ASAP. One of the members also re-submitted her idea for a day outing for steering committee members. The other activity planned was the hosting of a community a health day:

Topic: Your Health & You

Activities: Dental Care Talks and Check Ups

- Personal health talks & Check Ups

Date: 16/09/2010

Venue: Den Amstel Primary School

Time: 4pm

There were a number of new members who had joined the steering committee and the meeting was informed that there were others who were willing to join.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Den Amstel Nursery Pre Natal Clinic –Healthy Relationships – 19th August

- A total 20 mothers between the ages of 16-35 participated in this 1 hr session on Healthy Relationships.

At the start of the session when mothers were asked if they have a healthy relationship with their spouses and child/children, they all said yes. As the session continued, behaviours and attitudes associated with healthy or unhealthy relationships were explored. Most of the women recognized that they in fact do not have healthy relationships and instead are living in abusive relationships which they have mistaken for love for many years. As the CE gave examples of health and unhealthy relationships, many of the women became comfortable with sharing experiences openly which they were ashamed to share at first. Discussions also focused on parent child relationships and parenting styles and even though most of the mothers were comfortable with their parenting style these were not positive for the most part or of the best. By the end of the session participants were happy and were willing to put into practice some of what they had learnt.

Evaluation of the session showed that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall was rated as very good.

A total of 20 H&S leaflets on GBV were distributed.

Children's Home –Suicide – 20th August

- A total of 12 girls between the ages of 10-16 participated in this session on Suicide. All the pre-teens and teens say they had thoughts about committing suicide especially when they were living with their parents. The girls disclosed that they were cursed, beaten and threatened by their parents. Some of them were also physically and sexually abused by family members. All of them said at that time they felt there was no hope and wanted a way out; now that they are living with their adopted parents, brothers and sisters they all have something to look forward to i.e. a bright life. Participants talked about friends, family members and class mates who attempted suicide and others who committed suicide and how this has impacted on their lives negatively. A request was made for follow up visits and awareness sessions more often than once a month. The girls reported that they have been benefiting from the sessions as these are helping them individually to cope with everyday life and at the same time they have also been able to help friends at school to cope with their problems. Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were rated as very good.

Den Amstel Nursery Pre Natal Clinic –Needs of Men & Women – 26th August

- A total of 15 women between the ages of 16-36 participated in this 1 hr session on Needs of Men & Women. During the session the CE discussed with participants five things a woman needs and five things a man needs. For the most part the women were not aware of the needs of a man or woman but they were willing to learn. The 5 things a woman needs were identified as:
 - Affection
 - Conversation
 - Trust
 - Security
 - His participation in family lifeThe 5 things a man needs were identified as:
 - Sexual satisfaction
 - Companionship in leisure time
 - As attractive woman
 - A tidy house
 - Admiration

The session was wonderful according to the CE. Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, understanding of topics discussed, facilitation and the session overall were rated as very good.

Kingdom Connection Youth Group –Healthy Relationships – 26th August

- A total of 28 young people, 16 females and 12 males between the ages of 10-26 participated in this 3 hr session on Healthy Relationships. The focus of the discussion was on learning to differentiate between love and infatuation in relationships. Some of the participants said that they are in relationships and in love with their partners and they think this is reciprocal while others were in love relationships but this has come to an end. Most of the parents of young people who had, or were in relationships or were thinking of getting into relationships were unaware of these. The teens said that their parents do not have discussions with them about sex, love, infatuation or relationships and they are afraid to approach them about topics such as these. At the end of the workshops the participants were all very grateful for the information received and said they had learnt so much and are using the information which the CE has shared with them to enhance their lives and the lives of others. There were 10 new members at this session

Evaluation of the session indicated that participation, facilitation and the session overall were assessed as excellent while understanding of the topic presented was assessed as very good.

DEN AMSTEL COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN - September 2010

Date	Activity	Time
5/9/2010	Awareness Session- Congregational Youth Group-Anger Management	
7/9/2010	Awareness Session-Children's Home- Healthy Relationships	
9/9/2010	Awareness session- Pre Natal Clinic	
12/9/2010	Awareness Session- Kingdom Connection Youth Group-Stress Management	
16/9/2010	Health Day	
19/9/2010	Awareness session-Christian Brethren Men's Group	
21/9/2010	Awareness Session-Den Amstel Nursery School Teachers	
22/9/2010	Awareness Session-Children's Home	
27/9/2010	House to House Visit	

GOOD HOPE

Community Educator: Suzanne Chung

Community Mobiliser: Olivia Simon

Community: Good Hope, East Coast Demerara

Activities: A total of 6 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 90 Females: 72 Males: 18

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 32 Females: 25 Males: 7

H&S Leaflets Distributed: 27

of H&S Posters Distributed: Nil

of Other Posters Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- House to House Visits & Community Walk About
- Awareness sessions at the Learning Centre
- Awareness Session with Women's Ministry at Rita's Residence
- Attendance of an AOG Prayer service
- House to House & Counselling visits
- Steering Committee Meeting
- Investigation of reported case of child abuse
- Counseling sessions

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

House to House & Community Walk About – 11th August

- A total of 13 persons were reached 6 females and 7 males between the ages of 16-69. The objective of this activity was to identify homes where persons are being abused and so assist them with visits and counselling so as to improve their lives. During the walk about the CM observed that some of the women were being abused by their husbands. Some of these are young women between the ages of 16-18 years. One of the young women said that she is being abused by her husband and wants to commit suicide however remembering she has a child to live for made her reconsider. The CE and CM offered counselling for her and told her she could call the hotline and talk to someone there when she feels suicidal. Generally the CE and CM were well received and

information shared appreciated. Some of the questions asked by members of the community were outside of the focus of the project but where persons needed tangible help the CE tried to put them onto other persons who would be able to help.

A total of 24 H&S leaflets on Child Neglect, Child Abuse, Sexual Assault, Rape, Anger Management and DV were distributed.

House to House Visit/Counselling – 9th August

- This was a follow up visit to a previous client who is a wife, mother and is a survivor of DV but also an alcoholic. According to the CE she is still building a relationship of trust and caring with this client. The woman has opened up a lot about her past and is being encouraged to continue to do so. Previously there has been some discussions about options but right now the woman just wants to talk and focus on her children as one is very ill and needs attention.

A total of 3 H&S leaflets on DVA, GBV and DV were left with this client.

Prayer Service Assembly of God Church – 20th August

- A special prayer service was held to show support and praise and thanks for the work the CE, CM and project has been doing in the community and to rally around the children to let them know they are not alone. This activity was planned as a result of a previous visit to the children. A special prayer was done for these children and items handed over to them from members of the Church. Two of the women involved in planning this activity received certificates from H&S Religious leaders Workshop and they are very supportive of what the CE and CM are doing in the communities

Visit to the Administrator of the Learning Centre – 23rd August

- On her last visit to Guyana the administrator of the Learning Centre had promised to help a woman on the condition that she enrolled her boys at the Learning Centre. However this help did not materialize so the CE took the mother to discuss the situation. As a result the mother received assistance in the form of food items. The CE is concerned that if the financial situation of this mother continues to deteriorate she may be forced to take back her abusive husband.

Home Visit/Counselling – 25th August

- This is a new case involving a woman who suffers from seizures and is convinced she is the victim of black magic. After listening to this woman the CE was of the opinion that she is suffering from emotional abuse. This woman is 40 yrs old but by her appearance she appears to be much older. She also suffers from low self esteem. Her 2 daughters think she has a mental problem because she does not want to accept that her condition is a medical one. She and her husband are not on intimate terms. She also believes in obeah and backoos and is illiterate.

Home Visit – 28th August

- The CE visited the home of a woman who may be in a position to offer tangible help to other families in need. Arrangements were made to follow up in connection with this help and assistance.

Home Visit/Counselling – 28th August

- The CE visited 2 homes where there were reported cases of child abuse occurring. The CE spoke to the 2 mothers about the abuse and they promised to be more lenient in the future.

Steering Committee Meeting – 28th August

- The meeting went well and it was agreed to host another Movie Night and prepare snacks for sale in order to raise funds.

Evaluation of Awareness Sessions

Women's Ministry at Rita's House – Parenting Skills – 17th August

- A total of 14 women participated in this session on parenting. The CE used a real case she had been working on as a case study to discuss parenting skills and qualities of a good mother. In discussing this issue the participants became very emotional and began to disclose their own childhood experiences. After the session all the women wanted to visit the children and help out. A visit was made to the family and the women prayed and promised to buy at least one item each for the children. A list was provided and it was agreed that everyone would meet up the next day to bring the item they promised.

Lusignan Learning Centre – Domestic Violence – 26th August

A total of 28 students, 17 females and 8 males between the ages of 10-16 participated in this 4 hr session on DV. The session started with the facilitator going back over what had been done at the last session for the benefit of the new students. With this completed, financial and emotional abuse were discussed as forms of domestic violence. After the break an energizer game of dog and the bone was played and then students were put into 2 groups to role play what they had learnt about financial and emotional abuse. This did not turn out very well as the role plays on financial and emotional abuse were mixed up with physical and verbal abuse.

GOOD HOPE COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN –September 2010

Date	Activity	Time
4/9/2010	Home Visits/Counselling	4 pm
6/9/2010	Home Visits (Reports on Cases)	4 pm
11/9/2010	House to House/Community Walk About	4pm
14/9/2010	Visits to Schools	10am
17/9/2010	Visit to the Masjid	2pm
21/9/2010	Awareness Session Women's Ministry, Rita's Residence	5pm
24/9/2010	Awareness Session- Learning Centre	12pm
28/9/2010	Community Walk About	4pm

COVENT GARDEN

Community Educator(s): Ebeth McIntosh, Chabela Lord

Community Mobilizer: Carol Henry

Community: Covent Garden, East Bank Demerara

Activities: A total of 7 visits were made to this community for the month

Persons Reached: Total: 21 Females: 15 Males: 6

Persons Newly Reached: Total: 9 Females:7 Males: 2

H&S Leaflets Distributed: 18

of H&S Posters Distributed: Nil

of Other Posters Distributed: Nil

Objectives of Visits:

- House to house visits/counselling & one on one discussions with residents
- Meeting with the NDC

- Identifying location for Project Banner

Community/Group & Individual Responses to Visits:

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Residents – 10th August

- Visits were made to 4 homes in the community. Some of the homes visited were visited previously. Many of the families are so comfortable with the project community workers that when they see them passing they come out to chat and ask for leaflets. While on these visits a member of one of the families counselled shared that since the CEs have been speaking to her partner he drinks less and would not go out so often as before. She also said that her partner is also spending more time with their son. However she asked for some parenting information because at times they would argue over the son for small things.

Meeting with the NDC – 23rd August

- The two CEs met with members of the NDC at their office in Herstelling. A discussion lasting 35 min was held with the Chairperson, Ms. Bibi Sookdeo and the Overseer, Ms. Radeeka Persaud. Issues discussed were the work that the H&S/WWDPGC project was doing in the community of Covent Garden and matters of concern that the project steering committee had raised. Ms Sookdeo shared plans that the NDC have for the community of Covent Garden. The main topic discussed was garbage disposal Ms Sookdeo explained that in the past garbage receptacles were built but these were destroyed because persons threw all sorts of things inside. The NDC are waiting for the year 2012 when the new garbage site would be operational on the East Bank and this would make the work of garbage collection easier as the NDC would have tractors visiting communities once or twice a week. Drainage was also raised in particular drainage of the main trenches in front of the schools which needs to be cleaned. The NDC representatives said that these would be cleaned before school reopens. In closing both Chairperson and Overseer thanked the CEs for the issues raised and officially welcomes further visits any time they see the need to. They both shared their personal numbers with the CEs and said that once they are informed of events in the community they would do their best to attend.

Arising from this visit to the NDC a machine was seen cleaning the trench in Covent Garden on the 31st of August.

Erection of Project Banner – 23rd August

- Permission was granted by a community member to place the banner in their yard. This family is one of those has benefited from project visits and can be considered one of the project's success stories.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 23rd August

- At this home a female relative was visiting for a few days and the CE has a discussion with her on the topic of child abuse and neglect. The relative expressed her concern about mothers walking away and leaving their relatives. She said if for some reason she and her husband separated she would not leave her children behind. This woman also does not believe in beating children but rather in sitting them down and talking to them about what it is they are doing wrong. A total of 3 H&S leaflets on Wife Abuse, Child Abuse and Rape were given out.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 23rd August

- At this home the CE spoke to a young man about the work being done in the community to prevent GBV and child abuse. While discussing child neglect the young man shared

his own experience in which he and his sister being neglected and abandoned by their mother when they were very young. As a result of the abandonment the children's grandparents got custody of them. As they grew older things went terribly wrong. The young man was sent to NOC and while there his eyes were opened to many things. In his absence his sister began having affairs and is now 15 years old and continues to engage in the same type of behaviour. According to the sister she feels unloved by their mother and blames her for the position she finds herself in. The mother of the young man and his sister is presently living with a partner who according to the young man does not appreciate them. The sister continues to live with her grandparents while the young man lives with his father. He believes his mother is working towards a better life for them and hopes they will all get back together as one family.

A total of 3 H&S leaflets on Child Abuse, rape and GBV were distributed.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 23rd August

- During this visit a father related the problems he is encountering with his 16yr old daughter. This situation has been existing for a number of years and now that his daughter is older according to him the behaviour is getting worse. The biological mother and father are separated and the father lives with someone else. The daughter has been living with her father but recently she and her stepmother had a misunderstanding and she has since left the home. It is reported that she sells in a bar in Timerhi. The proprietress and others have been providing her with clothes and she hides out in different homes so as not to be found. The father has expressed frustration at the entire situation because his daughter would speak ill of one parent to the other in order to move to and fro between her two biological parents. The father suspects that his daughter is pregnant. He has been visited by social workers and the matter is in the hands of the police.

A total of 4 H&S leaflets on Rape, Human Trafficking, anger Management and Child Abuse were distributed.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 24th August

- During a house to house visit the CE was informed about a mother allegedly of unsound mind and her 9 yr old daughter who are frequently seen at night in a shop that sell liquor. It was reported that this mother and child stay at this shop until almost closing time then leave for their home on the sea dam. A few days ago after this visit another mother expressed her concern also about this child. She is afraid that this child's brother who used drugs will some day interfere with the 9 yr old.

House to House Visits – 24th August

- According to the CE the situation of a family previously reported on has improved. Since the death of the mother/grandmother an aunt has stepped in and is looking over and giving assistance to the young woman and her children. The appearance of the children has improved and the constant offensive smell of urine has stopped. The daughter who used to be beaten is no longer experiencing this and her mother now washes her clothes and no longer withholds food from her as a form of punishment.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 25th August

- This female resident shared the years of abuse she suffered at the hands of her reputed husband. They shared a relationship for 10 years. During this relationship her partner's two children, a son and daughter, from previous marriage lived with them. Whenever a complaint was made by the partner's children about her he would beat her up. One day, in order to escape from the abuse, she had run from the house and luckily someone came to her rescue. She said the beatings were unbearable and she walked out of the relationship eventually.

A total of 4 H&S leaflets on Anger Management, Wife Abuse, GBV and For Children were distributed

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 26th August

- A concerned mother and neighbour reported her concern for a child who is being physically and verbally abused by both his parents. To escape the abuse the child would have to run out of the yard. This is a regular occurrence with this family.
A total of 4 H&S leaflets on Child Abuse, Anger Management, For Parents and Wife Abuse were distributed.

House to House Visits & One on One Discussion with Resident – 26th August

- The CE received a report of an abusive relationship which is occurring in a particular family. According to the report the father's 15 yr old daughter is refusing to help her stepmother do any housework. The step mother has 3 other children 7yrs, 4 yrs and 4 months and would verbally abuse her 15 yr old stepdaughter for refusing to help her do any of the cooking, washing and cleaning. Instead of helping out in the home the 15 yr old sits all day listening to music.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Resident – 27th August

- This was a previous case that the CE was working on during last year. Unfortunately the husband has reverted back to his former behaviour. The wife works and uses her salary to provide for the home and family. In contrast the husband spends his salary without giving any account of what he has spent it on. In addition to this the husband borrows money from his wife and never repays her. Due to this situation 4 concerned friends bought a quantity of groceries so that the 4 children of these parents can have food. The youngest child is a baby of 4 months old. School is about to be re-opened and the children have not been enrolled. The mother who is a teacher is also without money herself which she needs to prepare for school since her husband borrowed this also. Two of the children are at day Care and the oldest is at primary School. The wife told the CE that she feels as though she is going mad. She plans on leaving her husband and going back to her mother's home who sometimes has had to support them.

House to House Visits/Counselling & One on One Discussion with Resident – 31st August

- A visit was made by the CEs and CM to this home to take parenting information and to confirm the placement of the project banner. On this day instead of a visit to an individual family it turned into a group session as person who were visiting the business establishment stayed back to listen and take leaflets. The owner also called two other friends to come and sit in at the session. A discussion was held on health and unhealthy relationships and various forms of abuse. In discussing forms of abuse a couple shared their own personal experiences. At this point an argument developed between a couple so they had to be separated. They were advised to seek further counseling at Help & Shelter.

The mother shared some of the problems she is having with her 16 yr old son. He is rebellious, refuses to help out at home and is disrespectful to his brother's sister in law. The 16 yr old and his brother both feel that the other is loved and favoured more by their mother. They are presently not on speaking terms. The mother says she tries her best to let both her son know that they are both loved similarly and since she herself is not well is becoming fed up with this situation. A return visit is planned.

COVENT GARDEN COMMUNITY EDUCATOR'S WORK PLAN –September 2010

Date	Activity	Time
6/9/2010	Steering Committee Meeting	
10/9/2010	Awareness Session- Covent Garden Secondary	
13/9/2010	Awareness Session – Covent Garden Primary Students	
20/9/2010	Awareness Session – Covent Garden Nursery Teachers	
22/9/2010	House to House Visit	