#### **HELP & SHELTER**

# COUNSELLING, COUNSELLING TRAINING & ORGANISATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECT

# (Funded by CIDA's Gender Equality Program)

# Narrative Report 3

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**Reporting period:** 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2009

**Submission date:** 4<sup>th</sup> October 2009

Project activities comprise:

- 1. The expansion of our counseling services to Moruca, Region 1 and Leguan, Region 3(now changed to New Amsterdam, Berbice, Region 6)
- 2. Building the organisational capacity of 2 Berbice-based NGOs, namely FACT and Comforting Hearts
- 3. Providing counseling training to the Essequibo Coast-based NGO, Hope for All at Suddie.

# **Activities Report**

### **Counselling in Moruca**

The scheduled counselling activity was conducted by the counsellor, who saw 5 new clients: 1female adult and 4 children (3 males and 1 female).

NB In view of the lack of response to the availability of counselling in Leguan, as previously reported, approval was sought and obtained to provide counselling in New Amsterdam, Berbice instead.

#### Counselling in New Amsterdam, Berbice

The counsellor saw 3 new clients, all adult females.

#### **Counselling Training with Hope for All**

Training sessions continued with the participants covering child abuse and working with children; preventing child abuse; skills when working with children-assessment; working with male perpetrators. A written assessment was also conducted.

#### **Organisational Capacity Building**

The first 3-day capacity building workshop will be conducted with Comforting Heart in New Amsterdam from 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October 2009 and with FACT in Corriverton from 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

#### **Monitoring & Evaluation**

The relevant evaluation forms were completed for each of the activities and analysis of completed forms was done by the M&E officers.

# **Project Management**

Project activities were executed as planned.