

FEBRUARY 2021 UPDATE: CASES AT AL-FIDAA FOUNDATION WHITE DOOR CENTRE

27 victims recorded for the month of February 2021 at the Al-Fidaa Foundation White Door Centre, 239 Durban Road, Korsten. Referrals included: Society Against Abuse of Men, Al-Fidaa Foundation Skills Development Centre, Jarman Hall, Department of Health, PE Mental Health, SASSA, Department of Social Development, Families Against Drugs and SAPS.

The following are brief summaries of some cases seen:

1. Angry and humiliated client reported that she was in an abusive relationship, but she fears leaving her partner and starting over because she was dependant on her partner. The client was offered ongoing counselling.
2. Differently abled female reported that she is being financially abused by her partner. Client reported that she feels degraded by her partner, but she cannot leave her partner because she depends on him for shelter. Ongoing counselling was offered to the client.
3. Stressed and destitute female fears losing her children because she is unable to provide for her children's basic needs. Client has consulted with a child protection organization for assistance. Ongoing counselling was offered to the client and client was referred to the Al-Fidaa Foundation Skills Development Centre.
4. Sad female is struggling to cope with the death of her partner. Client is now faced with the daunting task of raising their underage dependants alone. Ongoing grief counselling was offered to the client.
5. Heartbroken father reported that he is being verbally abused by his child. Client cannot evict the child because the child is differently abled. Client was referred to PE Mental Health.
6. Scared male reported that he was robbed and he is not sure how he will sustain himself for the rest of the month. Client was referred to SAPS and the Bank. Counselling was offered to the client.
7. Homeless male disclosed that he is unable to seek assistance for accommodation from his family due to broken family relationship. Client reported that he is disheartened and fears that his elderly caregivers will pass away before their relationship has been restored. Family reunification services was offered to the client.
8. Angry female disclosed that she is caring for her grandchildren. Client complained that the biological mother of the children is allegedly abusing substances and her grandchildren are not benefiting from their child support grant because the biological mother is allegedly abusing the grant. Client was referred to the Department of Social Development.
9. Female who suffers from an incurable disease was evicted by her life partner and family. Battling anger and disappointment, she is now stranded.

10. Heartbroken father is worried about the safety and care of his children; he allegedly consulted with several service providers and was threatened with the removal of the children from his care. Client was referred to the Department of Social Development.
11. Anxious male is being denied care and contact from his child. Client was referred to the Society Against Abuse of Men South Africa.
12. Mother is worried about her child's mental health. Client disclosed that her child has self-harm tendencies. Ongoing counselling was offered to the client and her child.
13. Client in need of social relief of distress as her house burnt down; client is unemployed and she has dependants. Client was referred to the Department of Social Development.
14. Stressed client reported that he has been trying to get his unemployment fund from the Department of Labour since he was retrenched. Client is worried about the survival of his partner and children. Client was referred to SASSA.
15. Female is struggling to cope with the death of her life-partner. Ongoing counselling was offered to the client.
16. Elderly female is looking for accommodation as she is unable to afford her rental home any longer. Client was referred to Elizabeth Stuurman Old Age Home.
17. Elderly female sought assistance for her unemployed adult relatives who are dependent on her. Ongoing counselling was offered to the client.
18. Homeless and mentally challenged male needs assistance with accommodation. Client reported that he applied for a disability grant, but was unsuccessful. Client was referred to SASSA.
19. Heartbroken female sought assistance for a family member who is abusing substances. Client disclosed that the family member's substance addiction is causing family problems and broken relationships within the family. Client was referred to Families Against Drugs.
20. Unemployed female reported that she is unable to provide for her infant's needs; client is unable to apply for a child support grant as several services have been suspended at Home Affairs due to Covid-19.

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