

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

29 victims recorded for the month of September 2021 at the Al-Fidaa Foundation White Door Centre, 239 Durban Road, Korsten. Referrals included: Society Against Abuse of Men South Africa (court chambers), the Department of Social Development, the Al-Fidaa Foundation Skills Development Centre, UCLIN, FAMSA, Families Against Drugs, ACVV, Council of Theologians and Department of Justice.

The following are brief summaries of some cases seen:

1. Devastated minor who was allegedly physically abused by her step-parent, was referred to a Child Protection Organization.
2. Heartbroken female is struggling to deal with the murder of close relatives. Ongoing counselling was offered to the client.
3. Shattered mother is not coping with the sexual assault of her minor child. Client disclosed that the trauma has caused family problems. Client was referred to the Department of Social Development.
4. Angry male needs urgent assistance with care and custody of his children. The client alleges that his children are being severely neglected by their primary caregiver. The client was referred to the Department of Social Development.
5. Furious male alleges that the parent of an abused minor relative is not doing enough to protect and assist the child. The client was referred to the Department of Social Development.
6. Female is living in fear of her minor son who is displaying challenging behaviour. The client disclosed that she cannot discipline the child because he fights back and he threatened to hurt her and his siblings. The client was referred to the SAPS and the Department of Social Development.
7. Stressed female reported that her life partner has an addiction which is compromising their family's livelihood and sustainability. The client was referred to FAMSA.
8. Minor does not want to be in the care of his caregivers. The sad minor alleges that he is a victim of verbal abuse, especially when his caregivers are under the influence of substances. The client was referred to the Department of Social Development.
9. Stressed mother is worried about her child's safety and well-being as he witnessed a murder. The client was referred to a child psychologist.
10. Female complained that she was negatively impacted by Covid as the company she was working for closed down and she lost her only source of income. The client disclosed that

she contemplated committing suicide because she is unable to sustain her family. The client was offered ongoing counselling.

11. Despaired female alleges that she is being financially abused by her husband. The client was referred to the Council of Theologians and the Department of Justice.
12. Disappointed female reported that she was physically assaulted by a minor relative that she has been nurturing since birth. The client was referred to the Department of Social Development.
13. Destitute male reported that he is a victim of fraud and he lost everything he owned. The client complained that he is unable to seek assistance from his family due to family problems. The client was referred to the Society Against Abuse of Men South Africa.
14. Heartbroken female complained she is unable to mourn the death of her relatives because of financial disputes between her and her family. Family restoration and ongoing counselling was offered to the family.
15. Devastated female fears that she might lose her family due to her life partner's substance abuse. The client was advised to approach the Department of Health.
16. Minor male was referred by the Department of Education. It is alleged that the child is disruptive in class and he is not coping academically. The client was referred to the Department of Social Development.
17. Desperate mother is in need of assistance for her son who is abusing substances. The client was referred to Families Against Drugs.
18. Angry male approached the centre for counselling related to an unfair work labour practice situation. The client was referred to Society Against Abuse of Men South Africa that deals with household abuse, domestic issues, guidance in legal, cultural, religious matters as well as workplace abuse and labour matters.

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