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Ministry of Social Development and Family Services



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SEED GRANT FOR FATHER SELLING MINTS TO SUPPORT HIS FAMILY

March 02, 2020--- Following the story which broke on January 18, 2020 the Ministry of Social Development and Family Services has reached out to Jamil Archer, a father of two (2) who was shot and his home later destroyed in an arson attack.

Mr Archer has since met with staff of the National Social Development Programme (NSDP) and the Social Welfare Division to determine the sort of assistance to be rendered him and his family. At the meeting Mr Archer was also offered psychosocial support and counselling. He was assessed for several of the grants available from the Ministry including food support, public assistance, school supplies and the option to build his business through the Ministry's SEED Programme. With the SEED Grant, Mr Archer will be eligible for funding and training in entrepreneurial development amounting to a maximum of \$15,000.00.

Minister of Social Development and Family Services, The Honourable Camille Robinson-Regis was also on hand to greet Mr Archer during his visit and assured him of the Ministry's commitment to work with his family, to assist them in securing a better quality of life.



Minister Robinson-Regis and a team from the Ministry speak to Jamil Archer during a visit to the San Fernando Local Board office.

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