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Ministry of Social Development and Family Services continues to reach, help and empower the vulnerable

The Ministry of Social Development and Family Services (MSDFS) over the last month has collaborated with several stakeholders to share information and reach out to vulnerable communities across the country. In addition to highlighting its various initiatives, programmes and services, the Ministry took the opportunity to also interact with and hear from members of the public, in terms of challenges they face at present; and how the Ministry could help, empower and transform their lives.

On Sunday 16th October 2022, the Ministry partnered with the Blind Welfare Association, to host an information booth at their Walk for Sight event held at the Grand Stand, Queens Park Savannah, Port of Spain. At this event, the Ministry was able to present information on services available to persons with disabilities as well as NGOs that support the community of persons with Disabilities. Grants available to persons with disabilities by the Social Welfare Division were also on showcase. Staff at the Ministry also got the opportunity to liaise with members of the public to address questions and queries.

The Ministry, on October 21, 2022, joined the South West Regional Health Authority at its TT moves Wellness Caravan and Mini Health Fair which was held at Fonrose Club House, Lying Trace Poole, Rio Claro. Following this, the Ministry participated in a Mental Health Awareness Campaign entitled: "Paint De Town Green on Wednesday 26th October 2022 at the Rio Claro/Mayaro Regional Corporation, High Street, Rio Claro. Both events attracted hundreds of visitors who were very eager to learn about the Ministry's programmes and services. Officials from the National Family Services Division, Social Welfare, the National Social Development Programme(NSDP) and SEED Programme, as well as the HIV Unit, were on hand to share with visitors, specific information on the grants, services and new initiatives being undertaken by the Ministry.

The Ministry of Social Development and Family Services was pleased to take its services to the named communities and continues to engage and partner with these agencies to empower all citizens of Trinidad and Tobago.

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Representatives from the core delivery units of the Ministry at the Walk for Sight event to provide information on the range of services and support available to TTBWA members and the general public



The MSDFS participates in the "Paint the Town Green" Mental Health Wellness campaign in commemoration of World Mental Health Day observed on October 10th.



The MSDFS participates in the TT Moves Community Health Fair and Caravan, hosted by the Eastern Regional Health Authority at the Fonrose Community Facility, Poole Village, Rio Claro.