

# **SCHOOL OF PUBLIC MANAGEMENT, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC POLICY**

## **JUNE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REPORT**

### **CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF JOBURG**

Date: Thursday, 9 June 2022

Time: 09:00 – 12:00

Venue: Westbury

Project Name: Community Clean-Up Campaign

Project Partner(s): City of Johannesburg, Johannesburg Water, Johannesburg Metropolitan Police Department.

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#### **Project description**

The community of Westbury, Johannesburg, faces with many social challenges. Some of the challenges that the community is faced with include a high rate of crime, drug abuse, and poor sanitation, amongst others. Residents have been complaining about the deteriorating state of infrastructure in Westbury and surrounding areas.

The students from the School of Public Management, Governance and Public Policy, from both APK and SWC, joined the different units at CoJ in assisting with service delivery in Westbury. The students worked together with *Pickitup* officials, community leaders and members, JMPD officers, and Johannesburg Water.

Some of the activities undertaken by the students included waste picking, and grass-cutting amongst others. This was an opportunity for the students to also get first-hand experience of the work local government officials perform and the challenges they encounter during service delivery. As future public officials, this was a great learning experience for the students, where they saw first-hand the challenges faced by all stakeholders in the delivery of services in Westbury. Students were provided with the necessary protective gear in this engagement.

SPMGP Student Coordinator: Mr Christian Kayembe

Community Engagement Academic Coordinator: Prof Vain Jarbandhan

Photographs of the event can be viewed below.







