

POLICY FORMULATION PROCESS

NATIONAL POLICY ON SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (NPSCD)

Strategy	Objective	Target	Time frame/Date
NPSCD Committee	To guide and provide technical input to shape the Draft NPSCD	Staff of six (6) Divisions/Units of the MCDCA and from November 2017, representatives of the Division of Community Development, Enterprise Development and Labour ¹	September 2016 to the present
Current State Analysis	To understand the issues, challenges, opportunities and threats to community development in Trinidad and Tobago	Key stakeholders in the public, NGO, and CBO sectors	October 2016 - February 2017
Meeting with representatives of public sector social sector Ministries	To obtain feedback on an inter-Ministerial approach to sustainable community development	Senior representatives of twelve social sector Ministries	April 2017
Meetings with the corporate sector	To determine interest in and approaches to collaboration with the corporate sector toward sustainable community development (SCD)	Representatives of corporate sector entities with a solid track record in corporate social responsibility	June and December 2017
Discussion Document on the NPSCD	To obtain comments from various stakeholders on the issues and possible shape of the NPSCD	Public, private and community sector stakeholders and the Cabinet	April – July 2017
Community Development Partnership Forum III – Focused on the NPSCD	To obtain comments from CBO representatives and other community stakeholders in Trinidad, on the issues and possible shape of the NPSCD	Community sector stakeholders across Trinidad	July – August 2017
Meeting with Academic institutions and developmental NGOs	To obtain comments on the Discussion Document as well as to discuss their possible roles in the role out of the NPSCD	Representatives of academic institutions and developmental NGOs	September 2017

¹ The Ministry of Community Development Culture and the Arts does not have jurisdiction over community development in Tobago; this is the preserve of the Tobago House of Assembly.

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Meeting with the Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government	To obtain comments on the Discussion Document as well as to discuss their possible role in the roll out of the NPSCD especially at the level of the Regional Corporations	Senior representatives of the Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government	October 2017
Meeting with the Tobago House of Assembly	To obtain comments from THA representatives on the issues and possible shape of the NPSCD and the incorporation of issues pertaining to Tobago in the NPSCD ²	Staff of the Division of (DCDEDL)	November 2017
Presentation to and meetings with the Ministry of National Security	To obtain comments on the Discussion Document as well as to discuss the synergies with the National Crime Prevention Programme (NCPP) ³	Senior representations of the Ministry of National Security and the Inter-Ministerial Committee on the NCPP	November 2017 – February 2018
Policy development	To develop/write various sections and obtain feedback from the NPSCD Committee and the staff of the Division of Community Development Division	NPSCD Committee members and staff of the Community Development Division	January – July 2018

² The THA agreed that there should be one policy document addressing sustainable community development on both islands.

³ The phased selection of regions for the implementation of the NPSCD were determined in collaboration with the Ministry of National Security.