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\*\*\*\*\* LETTER FROM THE EDITOR\*\*\*\*\*

Welcome to the twenty-fifth issue of Safe Community Weekly News in 2005, the electronic Safe Community Weekly News is edited by the European Safe Community Network, International Safe Community Support Team and the WHO CC on Community Safety Promotion on behalf of Safe Communities Network.

### WHAT IS NEW AT SAFE COMMUNITIES?

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**DESIGNATION: Sogn and Fjordane County as Safe Community No. 89. Norway**

**DESIGNATION: New Plymouth designated as Safe Community No. 95. New Zealand**

**CONFERENCE: The 15th International Safe Community Conference, Cape Town**

**INDICATORS: Indicators for Safe Sports**

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### CUBA initiates organised Safe Community development



The Seminar audience

Professor Dr Mariano Bonet Gorbea lead the seminar.

In a public meeting at National Institute of Hygiene, Epidemiology and Microbiology on November 8<sup>th</sup> Future Safe Community development strategies were discussed. The leader of the Seminar was Professor Dr Mariano Bonet Gorbea. Leif Svanström from the WHO Collaborating Centre on Community Safety promotion initiated by presenting the present status of Safe Community development in the World. Three communities in Cuba are already interested in being safe Community demonstration areas- among them a district in Central Havana. National Institute of Hygiene, Epidemiology and Microbiology will serve as initiator and future co-ordinator.

Rapporteur:leif Svanström

The 6<sup>th</sup> Nordic Safe Community Conference  
9 -11 November 2005. Karlstad, Sweden

**600 participants**

200 delegates, 200 elderly and 200 children.



The 6<sup>th</sup> Nordic Safe Community Conference held in Karlstad, Sweden, on 9 – 11 November 2005. The conference was a continuation of the series of Nordic Safe Community Conferences. The Conference organised in collaboration among Nordic countries, Swedish Rescue Services, Karlstad Municipality, Värmland county and WHO Collaboration Centre on Community Safety Promotion.



Dr. Tommy Rosenberg,  
Role of Rescue Services  
in Safe Communities



Dr. Bo Henricson,  
Conference moderator



Prof. Leif Svanström,  
WHO CC, Karolinska  
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Prof. Staffan Hanson,  
Empowerment in Public  
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Mr. Magnus Persson,  
Karlstad Deputy City  
Commissioner



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Swedish Rescue Services  
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Mr. Sören Kölster,  
Community  
Empowerment in  
Denmark



Mr. Markku Haiko,  
Community  
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Ms. Herdis Storgaard,  
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2005-11-15

# REAPPLICATION

## **(Name of the Municipality) - 5 years as a Safe Community**

Presume that xxxx municipality still would like to keep the status as a Safe Community, we at the WHO Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion at the Karolinska Institutet, Department of Public Health Sciences, Division of Social Medicine in Stockholm is requesting the following:

1. A reapplication report from xxxx as a Member of the Safe Community Network:  
describing the safety promotion activities related to the 6 Safe Community Indicators (adopted May 2002, and replacing the earlier used 12 Criteria for the Safe Community program).  
[http://www.phs.ki.se/csp/who\\_safe\\_communities\\_indicators\\_en.htm](http://www.phs.ki.se/csp/who_safe_communities_indicators_en.htm)
2. A site visit (the expenses will be covered by the applicant):  
[http://www.phs.ki.se/csp/pdf/site\\_visit.pdf](http://www.phs.ki.se/csp/pdf/site_visit.pdf)
3. An update of the text for the web page <http://www.phs.ki.se/csp/safecom>.  
The file will be sent on request.
4. An administrative fee of 500,- EUR
5. If a mess plate, stating the municipality as a Safe Community, is required the additional fee is 300,- EUR
6. The process shall be completed during the autumn.

We at the WHO Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion are looking forward to a reapplication as we are very keen to keep xxxxx as a demonstration programme for the Safe Community Network.

Yours sincerely

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Professor, Chairman  
WHO Collaborating Centre on  
Community Safety Promotion

Moa Sundström  
Coordinator

## Sogn and Fjordane County designated as Safe Community No. 89



Country Mayor Mr. Nils R. Sandal,  
WHO CC Representative Dr. Bo  
Henricson and County Administrator  
Mr. Per Drageset

Ms. Emma Bjørnsen, Mr Nils  
R. Sandal and Ms. Åshild  
Kjelsnes

Ms. Astrid Nøkleby Heiberg ,  
Opening the Seminar

The County of Sogn and Fjordane in Norway designated a Safe Community No. 89. Sogn and Fjordane is the first county in Norway to be designated by the WHO CC as a safe Community. The Safe Community agreement was signed on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2005 between the WHO CC and Sogn and Fjordane County. Dr. Bo Henricson representing WHO CC and Mr. Nils R. Sandal, Mayor of Sogn and Fjordane County.

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## New Plymouth designated as Safe Community No. 95

The agreement between the Safe Communities Foundation New Zealand, in its capacity as a Certifying Centre to the WHO Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion, was signed by Mr Peter Tennent, Mayor New Plymouth District Council, Dr Alan Parsons, Chair New Plymouth injury Safe, Bev Gibson from Tui Ora Ltd, Tony Foulkes, Chief Executive Officer, Taranaki District Health Board, Janet Tinson, Accident Compensation Corporation and Inspector Anne Knox, Area Commander, New Zealand Police.



The designation ceremony was held on Thursday 27 October and during the ceremony, 95 helium-filled balloons were released to symbolise the 95 WHO Safe Communities in the world.

More information of New Plymouth Safe Community Programme: [www.safecommunities.org.nz](http://www.safecommunities.org.nz) or contact: **Kath Forde**

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# 15th International Safe Community Conference

09-11 April 2006, Cape Town, South Africa

**New Deadline for Abstract submission: 30 November 2005**



Cape Town International Convention Center



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## Indicators for Safe Sports

These indicators have been developed by the International Safe Communities movement with the objective of making the world a better and safer place in which to live, work and play.

Safe Sports in a Safe Community setting have:

1. An infrastructure based on partnership and collaborations, governed by a group of managers, team-members, technical staff and safety professionals that is responsible for safety promotion in their sports arena; The group should be chaired by a Sports Organisation representative with a Team representative as a co-chair;
2. Safe Sports policies developed by the Group and adopted by the Sports Organisation in a Safe Community setting;
3. Long-term, sustainable operational programs covering both genders and all sports arenas, environments, and situations;
4. Programs that target high-risk groups and environments, and programs that promote safety for vulnerable groups;
5. Programs that document the frequency and causes of injuries – both non-intentional (accidents) and intentional (violence and self-inflicted);
6. Evaluation measures to assess their policies, programs, processes and the effects of change;
7. Ongoing participation in Safe Sports networks – at community, national and international levels.

**Please send your activities, programs and reports via post/ e-mail to the editor:**

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