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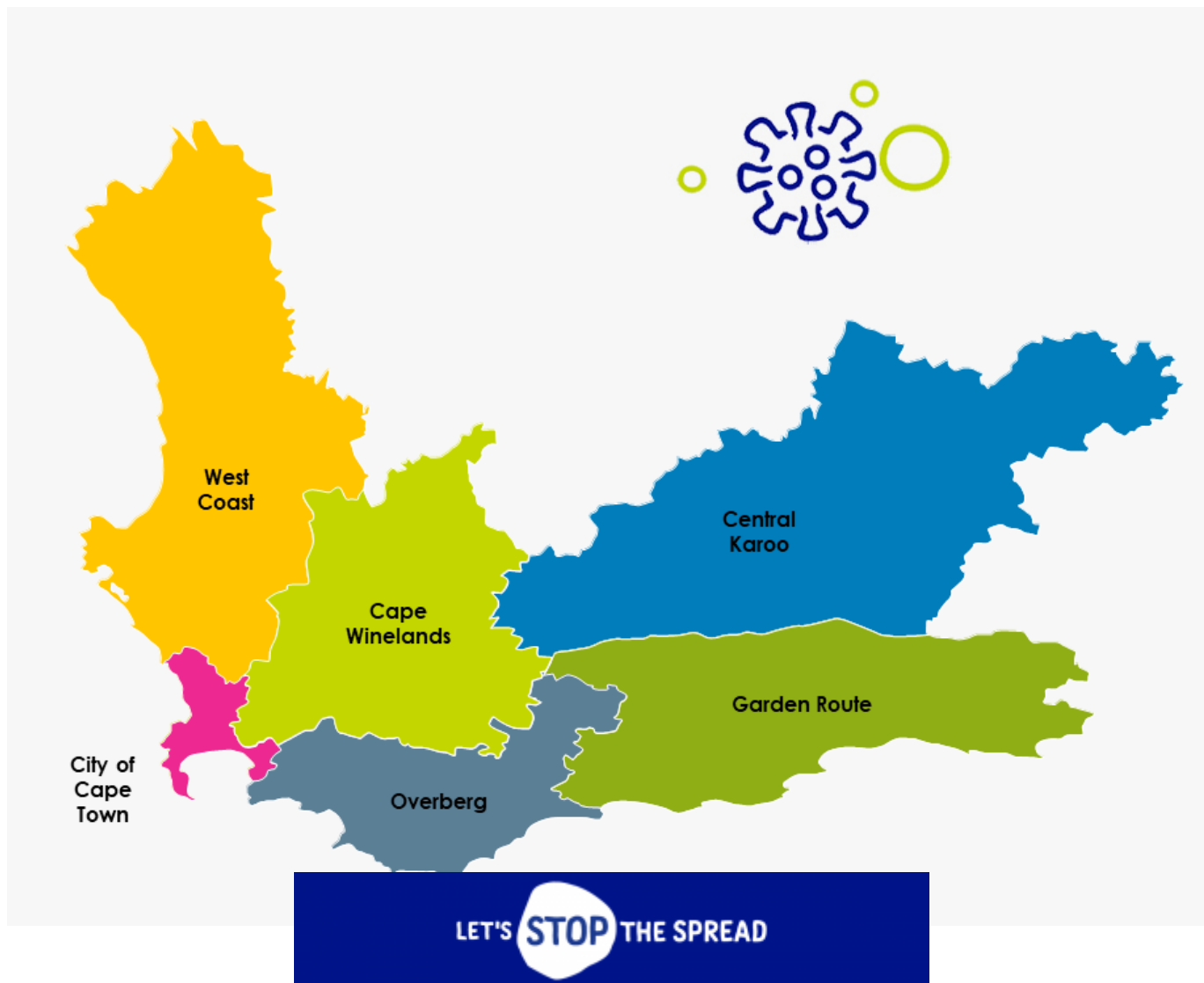
Update on the coronavirus by Premier Alan Winde - 2 September 2020

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As of 1pm on 2 September, the Western Cape has 3 500 active cases of COVID-19, with a total of 105 470 confirmed cases and 98 047 recoveries.

Total confirmed COVID-19 cases	105 470
Total recoveries	98 047
Total deaths	3 923
Total active cases (currently infected patients)	3 500
Total number of tests	485 423
Hospital admissions	Data delayed



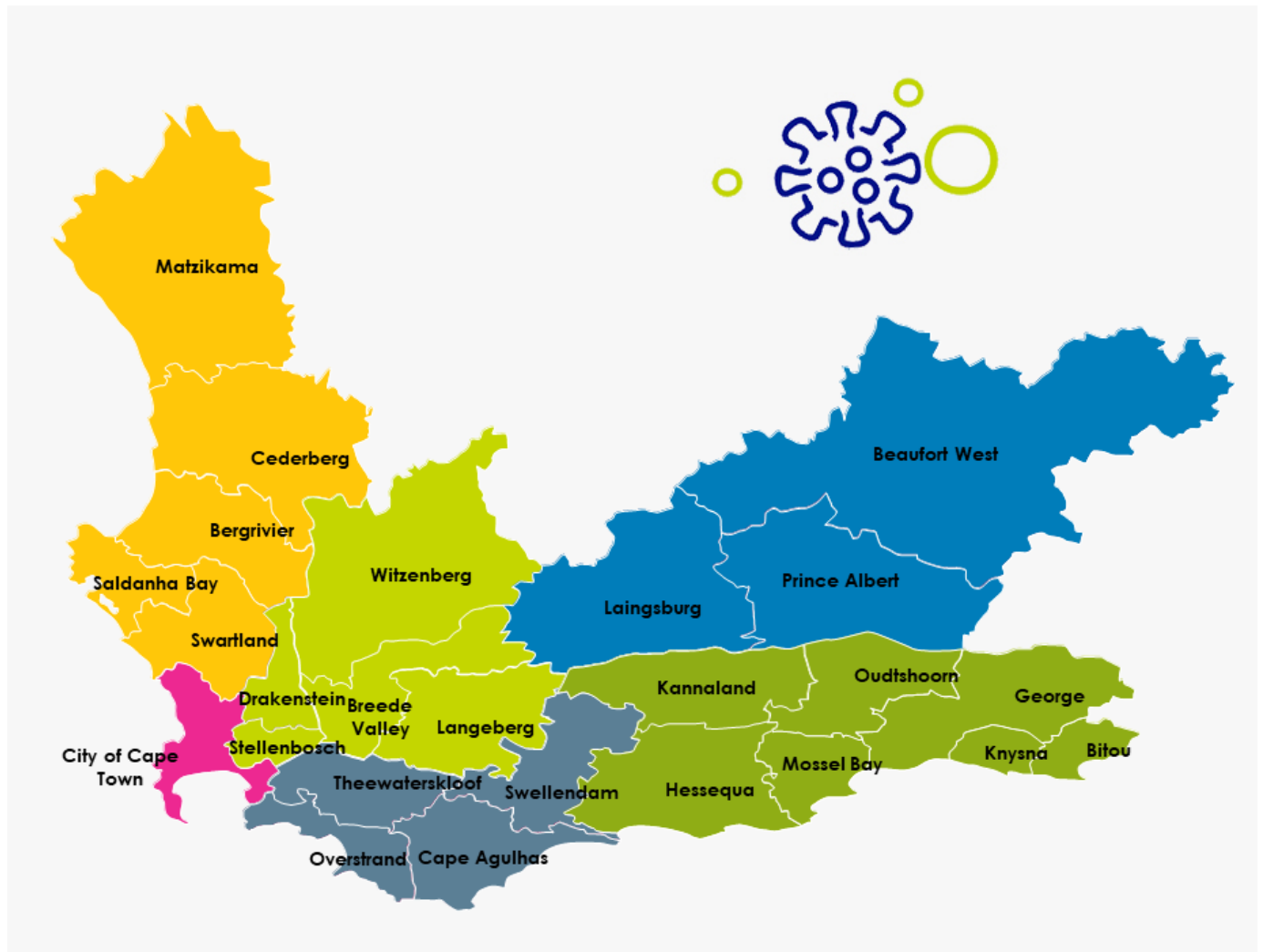
Municipality	Cases	Recoveries
City of Cape Town	74 257	69 379
Cape Winelands District Municipality	12 178	11 306
Central Karoo District Municipality	672	508
Garden Route District Municipality	9 025	8 150
Overberg District Municipality	3 238	3 029
West Coast District Municipality	3 750	3 432
Unallocated	2 350	2 243
Total	105 470	98 047

Sub Districts Cape Town Metro:



Sub-districts	Cases	Recoveries
Western	9 239	8 673
Southern	9 472	8 769
Klipfontein	9 063	8 300
Mitchells Plain	8 529	7 991
Tygerberg	13 123	12 363
Khayelitsha	8 247	7 736
Eastern	10 005	9 322
Northern	6 579	6 225

Sub Districts Non-Metro:





Municipality	Cases	Recoveries
City of Cape Town	74 257	69 379
Cape Winelands District Municipality	12 178	11 306
Breede Valley	3 295	3 061
Drakenstein	4 230	3 945
Langeberg	1 114	1 030
Stellenbosch	2 002	1 879
Witzenberg	1 537	1 391
Central Karoo District Municipality	672	508
Beaufort West	522	391
Laingsburg	129	104
Prince Albert	21	13
Garden Route District Municipality	9 025	8 150
Bitou	577	531
George	3 340	3 064
Hessequa	275	252
Kannaland	109	106
Knysna	1 368	1 272
Mossel Bay	2 162	1 980
Oudtshoorn	1 194	945
Overberg District Municipality	3 238	3 029
Cape Agulhas	269	245
Overstrand	1 536	1 455
Swellendam	290	255

Theewaterskloof	1 143	1 074
West Coast District Municipality	3 750	3 432
Bergriver	410	376
Cederberg	159	149
Matzikama	344	286
Saldanha Bay	1 345	1 258
Swartland	1 492	1 363
Unallocated	2 350	2 243

Data note: It is not always possible to check and verify that the address data supplied for each new recorded case is correct, within the time frames required to provide regular and timely updates. This means that in some instances, cases could be allocated to the wrong sub-districts. We are working with the sub-districts to clean and verify the data and where errors are picked up locally, cases will be re-allocated to the correct areas.

More data is available here: <https://coronavirus.westerncape.gov.za/covid-19-dashboard>
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The Western Cape has recorded an additional 12 deaths, bringing the total number of COVID-19 related deaths in the province to 3923. We send our condolences to their family and friends at this time.

Post COVID-19 recovery:

During our cabinet bosberaad session held last month, we resolved to focus the provincial recovery efforts around three key pillars: dignity and well-being, jobs, and safety.

Today, we held a follow up bosberaad where we discussed the province's immediate response, with a focus on the next 100 days. While today's discussions were focused on jobs and the economy, we continue to focus on those other two pillars of dignity and well-being and safety.

Jobs:

The hard lockdown has had a significant impact on businesses of all sizes across the Western Cape. This has resulted in significant job losses, which mean that many households have been left without a bread winner, and the ability to put food on the table.

During our discussions today, we had several business people discuss the challenges they currently face. The discussion was open and honest, which I value. It is important for us to hear all perspectives so that we can incorporate these experiences and feedback into our plans.

We also heard about the major impact that COVID-19 has had on their business, and how loadshedding has further exacerbated the problems that businesses face. During today's discussions, we also received the news that Eskom had moved to level 4 loadshedding which is devastating to our efforts. Energy security is key to ensuring that businesses can keep their doors open and that we can entice investors to the region.

Safety:

The Western Cape Safety Plan is already well-developed, with aspects already in the implementation phase. The plan has tasked the Department of Community Safety with the task of reviewing the Western Cape Liquor Act.

The link between alcohol and violence is well established in research and anecdotally, when alcohol was banned during the lockdown, we did experience decreased levels of violence in the province. A ban is not sustainable in the long term and we are therefore driving legislative amendments and smart interventions to reduce alcohol related harms.

Minister Albert Fritz has appointed an Alcohol Related Harms Task Team. This team will drive a series of proposed legislative amendments which include:

- Reviewing the license fees charged by Western Cape Liquor Authority (WCLA)
- Permanently confiscating liquor seized from illegal traders
- Inserting an objective test within the Act to determine whether alcohol has been sold to an unlicensed outlet or an individual.
- Obliging license holders to take reasonable measures to check that patrons and clients are of a legal drinking age.
- Aligning the Act with the Liquor Products Act to ensure that the definition of "illicit liquor" is aligned in both.
- Providing for a public participation process to alter existing licences
- Ensuring that a record of all liquor sales is kept by outlets and prescribe the measure of detail required.
- Limiting the delivery of more than the prescribed limit of liquor by inserting a requirement to produce the written consent of the Presiding Officer of the Liquor Licensing Tribunal
- Expanding the powers of Liquor Licensing Tribunal Committees under section 24 of the Act, to also hear enforcement matters.
- Expanding the capacity and availability of the Appeal Tribunal/Authority.
- Enabling the Minister of Community Safety to prescribe by way of regulation, additional and relevant information to be considered by the Liquor Licensing Tribunal or the Presiding Officer.

These proposed amendments will first need to serve before cabinet, before being prepared by our legal teams to be gazetted. These interventions must be coupled with substance abuse interventions, which are being led by the Department of Social Development in the province.

These include a full spectrum of targeted services tackling substance abuse and misuse, including prevention, early intervention, as well as outpatient, in-patient and aftercare services. The budget for the substance abuse programme and treatment centres is over R109 million which funds residential drug treatment centres, drug treatment in secure-care child and youth centres and 87 substance abuse facilities (including registered inpatient treatment facilities, halfway houses and community-based facilities.)

The Department also funds four treatment programmes based at schools in vulnerable communities, which target 550 adolescents and which play an important role in keeping at-risk learners in school.

Dignity and well-being:

The Department of Health in the province continues to lead our efforts to protect residents from COVID-19, while at the same time ramping up other healthcare services such as immunisations, and chronic care, to ensure the health and well-being of our residents in the long term.

The Department of Social Development in the province has also been working hard to ensure the dignity and safety of vulnerable groups as a result of financial security, unemployment and other stressors in the lives of children and families which can result in additional problems for children and for families.

The Department has budgeted R 824.98 million has been budgeted for the Children and Families programme. This budget allocation is dedicated to child protection services, child and youth care centres, families and Early Childhood Development services.

Some of the services offered by the Department and its NPO partners include:

1. Family preservation services such as individual, couple and family counselling, marriage preparation and support for families in crisis.
2. Targeted awareness measures that link families to available support services.
3. Parenting and caregiving skills to parents - including teenage parents - to improve their ability to provide proper care and support to their children.
4. Fatherhood education and training programmes and services that promote positive involvement in families as well as positive male role modelling.
5. Programmes and services that facilitate rehabilitation and reintegration of homeless adults back into society, into families and/or communities.

The Department of Human Settlements has also continued its work to deliver dignity through housing opportunities, despite delays caused by the pandemic. During August, 132 deserving beneficiaries moved into brand new homes in the Forest Village development- bringing the total number of beneficiaries moved into the development since May to 451.

Also in August, the first residents of the Vlakkeland development in Paarl moved into their new homes. Minister Simmers also handed over a newly built community hall for residents in Botrivier, which creates a space for them to host events and engagements.

The Department of Agriculture has also handed over kits for the development of over 2000 food gardens throughout the province- giving people the tools and the skills to grow their own food. Being able to grow their own food, allows households to not only provide their families with nutritious and healthy food, but also creates a sense of dignity. For those who can produce more food than required, these gardens can also provide a source of income for families.