

Happy Womens' Day Happy Womens' Month August 2021



This year, South Africa commemorates the 65th anniversary of the Women's March, which took place on the 9th of August 1956 in Pretoria, under the theme: "*Generation Equality: Realizing Women's Rights for an Equal Future*". As we reflect upon this historic day, let us pay tribute to the thousands of women who marched to the Union Building, to protest against the "pass laws" of that time led by Lillian Ngoyi, Helen Joseph, Rahima Moosa and Sophia Williams-De Bruyn.

The fight for fair and equitable treatment of women taken up by the women of this country those many years ago, is still relevant today. Whilst we still have a long way to go in terms of achieving gender equality, women today are facing challenges of brutality in the form of domestic violence, sexual harassment and even assault both in and outside of the workplace.

Sasbo will continue to fight against gender inequality, discrimination, harassment, violence and bullying in the workplace as well as the general emancipation of women in the Finance Sector.

We rise to make a clarion call to our SA Government to ratify ILO Convention C 190 on the elimination of violence and harassment and gender-based violence in the workplace.

Join the Sasbo Campaign as we join hands and say: **#NoViolenceHere!**

Wathint'Abafazi Wathint'imbokodo!

You strike a woman, you strike a rock!

The Gender-Based Violence Command Centre (GBVCC) operates under The Department of Social Development. The Centre operates a National, 24hr/7days-a-week Call Centre facility. The facility employs social workers who are responsible for call-taking and call referrals. The Centre operates an Emergency Line number – **0800 428 428**. This is supported by a USSD, "please call me" facility: ***120*7867#**. A Skype Line '**Helpme GBV**' for members of the deaf community also exists. (Add 'Helpme GBV' to your Skype contacts). An SMS Based Line 31531 for persons with disabilities (SMS 'help' to 31531) also exists. The Centre is able to refer calls directly to SAPS (**10111**) and field Social Workers who respond to victims of GBV.

Sasbo continues to make a positive difference in the lives of our members.

We choose safety, we choose life first!

Let's engage on SasboCares@sasbo.org.za

