

## SOCIAL WELFARE TRAINING CENTRE

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### WORK OF THE CENTRE

**S**WTC continued its support of the Association of Caribbean Social Work Educators (ACSWE) by assisting with the 8th Biennial Conference and producing and publishing Volume 5 of the Association's Caribbean Journal of Social Work.



Mr. Williams, as a member of the board of the International Association of Schools of Social work (IASSW), participated in the Board Meeting held in Barbados in January 2007 and a special seminar on The Role of Social Workers in Disaster Management, jointly hosted by IASSW and the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) based in the United States of America.

Work continued on the research project investigating the impact of violence on Social Workers in Jamaica and the Centre began the evaluation of the National Youth Service - Jamaica Values and Attitudes Programme (JAMVAT).

### Continuing Education

Sixty-four students graduated with the Certificate in Social Services this academic year. This programme continued to be well received and supported by a number of agencies which host the practicum component. In the 2007/08 academic year, the programme will be offered in Barbados for the first time.

The Class of 2007 for the Regional Four Month Course in the Principles and Practice of Social Work had a student body of 50 persons representing Jamaica, St. Kitts & Nevis and St. Vincent and the Grenadines. All students successfully completed the course.

Discussions are ongoing with respect to a new offer of the Diploma in Youth in Development Work as a UWI only offer with support from the Commonwealth Youth Programme.

### **Public Education & Outreach**

SWTC supported the organisation of the 8th Biennial Association of Caribbean of Social Work Educators (ACSWE) Conference held in Trinidad & Tobago, June 26-30, 2007. Selected papers from the conference will be published in the Caribbean Journal of Social Work.

### **Institutional Cooperation**

The Centre hosted the annual UWI/Jamaica Golf Association (UWI/JGA) golf classic which raised approximately \$350,000 towards the foundation's scholarship fund.

SWTC continued its collaboration with the Department of Sociology, Psychology & Social Work in the delivery of programmes and in mounting seminars on social work issues.

### **Main Targets 2007-2008**

- Deliver the Certificate in Social Services in Barbados
- Publish Volume 6 of the Caribbean Journal of Social Work

### **PAPERS PRESENTED**

Williams, L.

- “Violence and the Social Worker in Jamaica: Training and Policy Implications”. 8th Association of Caribbean Social Workers Educators Conference, Trinidad & Tobago, June 2007

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Book Chapters

Williams, L.

- \* “Home Alone”, Revitalising Communities in a Globalising World. Lena Dominelli (ed.) Chapter 18, 255-269. (2007)

**Journal Article**

- \* Williams, L. & Maxwell, J. (co-editors) The Caribbean Journal of Social Work Volume 5 December 2006.

**Income Generation**

The Centre generates approximately 60% of its operating budget through fee paying programmes and other activities.

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

Lincoln Williams

- Board Member, Association of Caribbean Social Workers Educators
- Executive Board Member, International Association of Schools of Social Work (representing the Board of North American and Canadian Schools of Social Work)
- Commissioner, CARICOM Youth Commission
- Member, CYP Regional Advisory Board.