Julian J. Robinson Member of Parliament's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Constituency Report South East St. Andrew December 31, 2013





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Dear residents and stakeholders,

- 2013 was a very challenging year for the country and the constituency. Unemployment and crime remain two of the big issues affecting the constituency. As MP, I have tried to facilitate and connect persons to job opportunities and have also established programs to better prepare persons to establish their own economic opportunities
- A number of our communities were affected by crime and violence, Swallowfield and in particular, Nannyville. A number of interventions took place to restore peace, which finally appears to be holding
- I wish to thank the political and administrative team that supports my work as MP
- To you, the residents and stakeholders, I thank you for your continued support and look forward to working with you to make 2014 a better year than 2013
- I welcome your feedback, comments, ideas and recommendations as we work together to build stronger communities and a better nation

Yours. Julianpobinson

# Commitment to accountability – publishing annual reports

- As I did last year to mark the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of my election as Member of Parliament, I am again publishing an account of my work over the last year
- This report highlights some of the initiatives and projects undertaken during the calendar year of 2013
- It does not attempt to cover every single activity, but will provide an overview of my work as Member of Parliament
- The report will be distributed electronically first and placed on my website (<u>www.julianjrobinson.com</u>). Hard copies will be printed for physical distribution by the end of January

## Commitment to a participatory democracy – hosting Constituency Development Fund consultations

- I hosted two Constituency Development Fund consultations. The first took place on June 5, 2013 at the Unity Church Hall in the Trafalgar Division and the second on June 12, 2013 at the Christ Church Hall in Vineyard Town
- At the consultations, I presented on the projects undertaken, the monies expended under the CDF and sought recommendations from residents on how the CDF should be used for the new financial year
- Presentations were also done by Councillors Andrew Swaby (Vineyard Town) and Kari Douglas (Trafalgar), representatives of the CDF Project Office, the HEART Trust NTA and the Social Development Commission(SDC)

### **Constituency Development Fund Consultations**

CDF consultation at Unity Church Hall , June 5, 2013



(L-R) Cllr Andrew Swaby, Mrs. Pauline Blair (CDF Office), MP Robinson, Cllr Kari Douglas

CDF consultation at Christ Church Hall , June 12, 2013



(L-R) Mrs. Moveta Munroe (CDF Office), MP Robinson, Cllr Andrew Swaby



#### CDF consultation at Christ Church Hall , June 12, 2013

Justice of the Peace, Rioardo Bennett makes an intervention

# Breakdown of expenditures for the last financial year of the Constituency Development Fund

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	Member of Parliament	CONSTITUENCY	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT TYPE	BUDGET	Implementing Agency	Date of Approval	Amount Disbursed	Date Disbursed		
ľ	Hon. Julian Robinson	St. Andrew South Eastern	South Eastern Summer Reading Camp	Human & Social Development	3,032,365.00	SDC	3.7.12	3,032,365.00	4.7.12		
			South East St. Andrew Educational Development	Human & Social Development	3,150,000.00	SDC	24.7.12	3,150,000.00	10.8.12		
			Consultancy Funding	Human & Social Development	1,500,000.00	SDC	14.2.12	500,000.00	7.8.12		
			South East St. Andrew Beautification	Physical Infrastructure	3,500,000.00	KSAC	20.11.12	1,000,000.00			
			Swallowfield After School Development Programme	Human & Social Development	215,755.00	SDC	12.2.13	3,500,000.00 215,755.00			
			Swallowfield G.L.O.W. Candle Production	Human & Social Development Labour Day/Welfare	290,850.00	SDC	12.2.13	290,850.00	25.2.13		
			Labour Day/Welfare Project	Project	300,000.00	SDC	1.5.12	300,000.00	11.5.12		
			Hurricane Sandy	Disaster Mitigation	300,000.00	SDC	26.10.12	300,000.00	26.10.12		
			Welfare & Emergency	Welfare & Emergency	1,000,000.00	SDC	12.6.12	250,000.00	12.6.12		
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## HUMAN AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

### Focusing on education as a tool for transformation

- 8 Summer camps were held targeting 1,000 students across 7 communities (Nannyville, Swallowfield, Jacques Rd, McGregor, Franklyn Town, Woodford Park, Slipe Road)
- 4 categories of students
  - Ages 4-6 pre primary stage
  - Ages 7-9 preparing for the Grade 4 Tests
  - Ages 10-12 preparing for GSAT
  - Ages 12-15 young teenagers
- A standardized curricula was developed for consistency across the camps
- Pre and post assessments were conducted to determine those students needing special intervention
- The students preparing for GSAT used a special locally developed software application for GSAT students

### Pictures from Summer Camps 2013

Jacques Road Summer Camp



Sir Howard Cooke Centre Summer Camp

Nannyville Summer Camp



Slipe Road Summer Camp for GSAT students





## Completion of the new classroom block at Destowe Bennett Basic School

- The construction of the new classroom block at Destowe Bennett Basic School on Langston Road was completed at a cost of approximately \$5.7 Million – financed from the CDF
- This will facilitate two additional classes and allow all the students at the school to be taught in one building

Official opening of the new classroom block at Destowe Bennett Basic School on March 13, 2013





(L-R) MP Robinson, Marcia Barnaby – teacher at school, Pastor Evrett Brown – East Jamaica SDA In background; Cllr Andrew Swaby and former MP Maxine Henry-Wilson

# A career development workshop was hosted to assist persons in preparing for the world of work

- The workshop focused on resume writing, interview skills and the do's and don't's of the job market
- There were presentations from a number of private sector executives as well as from the HEART Trust NTA



Executives from Fullgram Solutions – at right is CEO Karl Graham

Lead workshop facilitator, Trevor Smith making a presentation

In collaboration with the Magnificent Chess Foundation, a chess training program was launched

- 40 students from across the constituency were trained in the game of chess
- Some of the objectives of the program were to:
  - Improve the students' attitude, behaviour and grades
  - Develop or improve rational thinking and reasoning skills
  - Instill positive values and attitudes



Students at the chess training program

## Establishment of the Swallowfield Homework Enrichment Program

- In collaboration with the International University of the Caribbean, an after school support program for children at the Grades 4 & 6 levels was established
  - Focus not just on academic attainment but holistic development of the person

#### Additional interventions done with the IUC

- Parenting workshop
- Leadership development workshop
- Children's visioning workshop



Participants in the parenting workshop





### Establishment of Community Access Point (CAP) at the McGregor Gardens community centre

- A 25 seat computer lab has been established at the McGregor Gardens community centre, funded by the Universal Service Fund, an agency of the Ministry of Science, Technology, Energy and Mining
- This CAP site was used for the launch of Digital Jam 3.0 a program geared to empowering young persons through the use of Internet technologies
- Training sessions were conducted for residents on how to use the computers to build applications

Jessica Gallegos & Nicola Magri of the World Bank conducting a training session for residents



MP Robinson observes the work of residents in a training session



## INFRASTRUCTURE AND WORKS

# Major infrastructural works were done on gullies and roads

### Major gully repairs

- Lilford Avenue
- Woodford Park (from Dames Rd to Arnold Rd)
- First Avenue
- Mountain View Ave/Jacques Road
- Lexington Avenue
- Deanery Road (by the bridge)

#### **Other works completed**

- Resurfacing of Mountain View Avenue, erection of sidewalks, repairs to gully foot bridge and installation of drains
- A pilot project was developed to use cement on a section of Mountain View Ave. This was done to test the viability and longevity of cement as an alternative to asphalt in road construction

## Sewage infrastructure work

### NWC has laid sewage pipes in the following areas

- Donhead Ave
- Walford Close
- Hope Glade Mews
- Hillcrest Ave
- Roseneath Ave
- Glenhope Ave
- Swallowfield Road
- Upper Montrose Road
- Montrose Road

#### **Other works to commence shortly**

- Fairway Ave
- Seymour Ave
- Retreat Ave

The purpose of the works is to allow residents to connect to the sewer main and reduce disposal of sewage via soak away pits, which contaminate our under ground water supply

## Labour Day 2013 Pictorial

The major project undertaken in the constituency was the refurbishing of the Harmon Barracks facility, which houses members of the security forces.

The project which was funded by the National Housing Trust involved the painting of the facility and the upgrading of the bathrooms and living quarters. Former MP Easton Douglas painting at Harmon Barracks



Former MP Maxine Henry-Wilson painting at St. Andrew High School for Girls



Commissioner of Police, Owen Ellington, Cllr Swaby and MP Robinson at Harmon Barracks



## PLANS FOR 2014

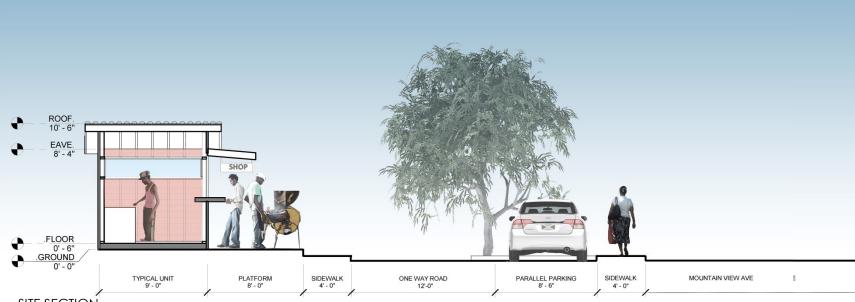
# A proposal was developed to establish a food and craft vending area on Mountain View Avenue

### Progress to Date

- Consultations have taken place with TPDCO to position the facility as a tourist attraction
- A business plan has been developed and is being refined
- Owners of the land for the proposed facility have been identified and a land acquisition plan is being developed

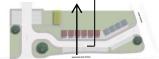


### The Mountain View Ave Project



SITE SECTION





**BIRDS EYE VIEW** 

# Two additional Community Access Points will be open in 2014

- A container has being converted to house a 20 seat computer lab at the Jacques Road community centre. The Universal Service Fund has approved the expenditure for the computers
- Franklyn Town Community Development Council plans to establish a computer lab at the NVO complex on Deanery Road



Container being worked on at the Jacques Road community centre

A new health centre will be open in Nannyville Gardens

- The National Health Fund has identified and budgeted funds for the refurbishment of the centre
- A Request for Proposal was issued and bids received from contractors
- A contractor should be selected before the end of January 2014
- Works should commence by February 2014
- Facility should be open by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 2014