Julian J. Robinson Member of Parliament's 5th Annual Constituency Report South East St. Andrew December 31, 2016







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Dear Residents and Stakeholders,

- In 2016, the country held both General and Local Government Elections. All three incumbents (MP and 2 councillors) were re-elected in the constituency. I am humbled by the confidence my constituents have placed in me and I wish to thank them for their continued support. I will continue to abide by my commitment to transparency and good governance in my work as a Member of Parliament
- 2016 was another challenging year for the country and the constituency. Even with improvements in employment, youth employment remains a challenge affecting the constituency and indeed the country
- The National Unattached Youth Program which was launched in 2015 had a positive impact on over 155 youngsters who completed the program in 2016. However, there is uncertainty about whether the program will continue
- For 2017, more emphasis will be placed on activities to facilitate employment or entrepreneurial activities, particularly for the young. These will include training sessions and workshops
- I welcome your feedback, comments, ideas and recommendations as we work together to build stronger communities and a better nation

Yours, JuliangRobinson

Commitment to accountability – publishing annual reports

- As I have done for the last four years to mark the annual anniversaries 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 2016
- 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 May 11, 2016 at the Unity Church Hall in the Trafalgar Division and the second on May 26, 2016 at the Christ Church Hall in the Vineyard Town Division
- 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, May 11, 2016



(L-R) Pauline Blair (CDF Office, MP Robinson, Cllr Kari Douglas



Cllr Douglas making a presentation



A section of the audience at the CDF consultation at Christ Church Hall on May 26, 2016

Breakdown of expenditures to date for 2016 of the Constituency Development Fund

Member of Parliament	CONSTITUENCY	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT TYPE	BUDGET	Implementing Agency	Amount Disbursed	Date Disbursed
	St. Andrew South	Consultancy Funding - St. Andrew	Human & Social				
Mr. Julian Robinson	Eastern	South Eastern	Development	1,500,000.00	SDC	1,500,000.00	28.8.16
		St. Andrew South Eastern Summer	Human & Social				
		Reading Camp	Development	3,505,045.00	SDC	1,500,000.00	15.6.16
						1,000,000.00	23.6.16
						1,005,045.00	30.6.16
		South East St. Andrew Educational	Human & Social				
		Development	Development	4,200,000.00	SDC	2,500,000.00	13.7.16
						1,000,000.00	27.7.16
						700,000.00	11.8.16
		South East St. Andrew Sports	Human & Social				
		Development	Development	1,365,000.00	SDC	500,000.00	11.8.16
						865,000.00	23.8.16
		South East St. Andrew Beautification	Human & Social				
		Project	Development	3,500,000.00	KSAC	1,500,000.00	10.11.16
						2,000,000.00	7.12.16
		South East St. Andrew Welfare and	Human & Social				
		Emergency Response Project	Development	2,000,000.00	SDC	1,500,000.00	10.11.16
						500,000.00	20.12.16
			Labour Day/Welfare				
		Labour Day/Welfare Project	Project	500,000.00	SDC	500,000.00	
		Welfare & Emergency	Welfare & Emergency	1,000,000.00	SDC	250,000.00	
					SDC	250,000.00	
						250,000.00	19.10.16
						250,000.00	19.12.16
		Social Housing	Social Housing	1,000,000.00	SDC	250,000.00	17.5.16
					SDC	250,000.00	28.7.16
						250,000.00	19.10.16
						250,000.00	
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HUMAN AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

The National Unattached Youth Program launched

- The program is targeted at young persons aged 17 30 who are not in a job or studying
- 155 young persons were selected from the constituency
- 47 are part of the Internship Program where they are placed in a job to get real life experience and will also receive certification
- 47 were placed in training programs at the International University of the Caribbean doing Food & Beverage and Data Operations
- 61 were placed in training programs at Corner Stone Ministries doing auto mechanics and Data Operations
- They are pursuing 1 year programs which will result in NVQJ Level 2 certification
- HEART provides a stipend for the participants

8 Summer camps held across the constituency

- 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 curriculum 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 the summer camps









A special summer camp was held at Ja Biz Town for 80 students to introduce them to the world of

- A project of the Junior Achievement organisation, JA Biz Town (located on Arnold Road) provides students with hands-on training on the day-to-day aspects of transacting businesses, managing money and manoeuvring social situations during their tenure at the training camp.
- The JA Biz Town programme is designed to develop the business IQ of students, especially those at the grade five level, as they are exposed to specialised in-class learning. Built as a mini-city, the town comprises several real-life private sector businesses, where the children undertake various functions similar to adults in real life. This environment allows students to better understand the importance of working and earning a living in a replicated economy and also teaches valuable lessons about entrepreneurship and money management.

business



Over 100 persons participated in 2 Employability Workshops held in collaboration with YUTE & JN Foundation to prepare persons for the world of work

Areas of focus in the workshops

- Financial Planning
- Interview Skills
- Dress and Deportment
- Resume Writing
- Communications Skills





Hosted football and netball competitions for teams from across the constituency at the National Stadium

- Over 500 youngsters including 24 football teams and 16 netball teams participated from the following communities
 - Franklyn Town, Lower Vineyard Town-Deanery Terrace/Merrion Avenue, Vineyard Town- Grafton, Nannyville, Mountain View, Stadium Gardens, McGregor Gardens, Monaltrie, Swallowfield, Woodford Park, Hart Lane, Slipe Road/Price Lane

Objectives achieved

- Promoted fitness and more healthy community members
- Unearthed talent in the constituency
- Built a more cohesive and peaceful constituency



INFRASTRUCTURE AND WORKS

The completion of the Franklyn Town multi-sports complex

 The complex hosts a FIFA size football field, netball and basketball courts and spectator stands

Next Phase

Securing lights to facilitate playing games at night



The completion of the refurbishing of the Jacques Road community centre

• The Citizen Security and Justice Programme has undertaken a project to refurbish the centre which includes plumbing and electrical works, installation of windows and doors and the construction of a kitchen, resource room and office





Infrastructural works undertaken in JEEP Phase 7

The following roads have been patched

- Lexington Ave
- Oakdene Ave
- Lietrim Ave
- Grafton Road
- Hillcrest Ave
- Worthington Terrace
- Work was also done to rehabilitate the sidewalk in front of the Vineyard Town Post Office on Deanery Road

McGregor Gardens was selected for pilot project to tackle electricity theft –successful results achieved

MP Robinson cuts ribbon with JPS CEO Kelly Tomblin at official opening of JPS service centre. Looking on are Keith Garvey – JPS, Omar Sweeney – JSIF & Cllr Andrew Swaby



Prepaid electricity — An energy management solution for all

BY CECILE MCCORMACH

TINCE 2014 when the Jamaica Public Service (JPS) introduced prepaid electricity to Jamaica, over 600 residenial and small business customers have been enjoying avings of up to 40 per cent of the electricity costs they ncurred when they had a gular postpaid meter. Landlords and owners of ental properties no longer bsorb the debts of their nants. Community centres ve successfully transferred e responsibility of electriccosts to the users of their ilities. Jamaicans who earn an irregular basis can pay en they earn and importly, customers with prepaid ers have seen reduced costs imply taking control. oday, customers in Kingston d St Andrew, St Catherine, rendon, Manchester, St abeth and St Thomas are



In this June 2015 photo Jamaica Public Service (JPS) officials Marilyn McDonald Watson (second right) and Rowan Small (left) explain the features of this customer information unit to McGregor Gardens resident Beverley Simpson and member of parliament and then minister of state in the Ministry of Energy Julian Robinson after JPS installed its first prepaid meter at Simpson's house. JPS started installing the meters in McGregor Gardens as part of its Community Renewal Programme, which is being implemented in collaboration with Jamaica Social Investment Fund. (Photo: Aston Spaulding)

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	November 2014	September 2016
Nos. of Legitimate Customers	7	224
Energy Losses	> 90%	84%
Collections	No Collections	>J\$1.6M YTD

- Sponsored 4 members of the community completed Electrical Installation Level 1 & 2
- Facilitated 230 legal connection through house wiring
- Each customers benefit from Light Bulb swap from Incandescent to Fluorescent bulbs (UTECH)
- Invested approximately US\$214K to upgrade the existing infrastructure
- Installed approximately 20 LED streetlights
- Successfully installed and tested a new solutions Pay As You Go (PAYG) Prepaid
- Wellness Fair (Doctors, JSIF, RGD,)
- Community meetings, Energy management sessions
- Back to school sponsorship

We expect the construction of 3 shops adjacent to the Bob Marley Statue in front of the National Stadium to commence in 2017

- The shops (art & craft, food and beverage) will target visitors who come to the Bob Marley Statue to take pictures but also patrons of the National Stadium, the Sports Museum (to be built) and the wider public
- Funding identified from the Tourism Product Development Company (TPDCO)



OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS

JNN hosted a live TV program "Your Issues Live" at the Nannyville Health Centre to discuss issues affecting the constituency





Constituency Activities



MP Robinson participates in a community meeting with representatives of the JPS to discuss the installation of pre paid metres



MP Robinson places the crown on the head of the winner of the Miss Nannyville Talent Pageant



MP Robinson presenting school items to victims of Jacques Road gas explosion



MP Robinson at the opening of computer labs at the YMCA

National Reading Day Activities – May 3, 2016



MP Robinson presenting books to the principal of the Pauline Gentles Basic School, Tanya Blair



MP Robinson reading to students at Pauline Gentles Basic School



MP Robinson reading to students at Destowe Bennett Basic School

THANK YOU

2017 SOUTH EAST ST. ANDREW

ANDREW SWABY Councillor: Vineyard Town Division

> KARI DOUGLAS Councillor: Trafalgar Division

JULIAN J. ROBINSON Member of Parliament

My vision for South East St. Andrew and for Jamaica is for the development of peaceful communities where all residents have gainful employment, adequate infrastructure, proper housing and access high quality educational and sporting opportunities. - Julian J. Robinson

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