

TAC Khayelitsha Publishes District Newsletter

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TAC's Khayelitsha district has published its first district newsletter.



TAC's next decade-dignity, life, health and equality for all

TAC Western Cape held its fourth provincial congress on 08 and 09 February 2008 at the Ritz Hotel. This was a preparation for the fourth National Congress that would be held in Johannesburg on 14-16 March 2008. The majority of the delegates were women. Theo Steele (TAC NEC Member) opened the congress and spoke about the organisational review and national overview. She highlighted the achievements and challenges of the organisation in the past nine years. During the last year, some of the TAC leaders resigned and the organization saw the need for an organizational review to reflect on what was happening and plan a way forward.

Dr Ivan Toms from the City of Cape Town made a presentation on the politics of TB (Tuberculosis), highlighting that South Africa has the seventh highest TB incidents in the world and that Western Cape has the second highest TB incidents in the country. TB is curable however there is a need for better diagnostics, patient literacy and enough re-



Delegates at the Western Cape Provincial Congress

sources to fight TB.

There were political discussions that reflected on the HIV epidemic in the province. TAC Provincial Co-ordinator highlighted the provincial overview and the Western Cape Strategic objectives from 2006-07. Challenges and achievements of province were discussed and members voiced their concerns about the future of the organization.

Recruitment of new members, women leaders, PWA sector were matters that were discussed seriously. Delegates went into commissions to discuss what challenges hindered some sectors not to reach

their targets and also came up with resolutions. The different commissions were:

- Campaigns and organizing;
- Treatment and Prevention Literacy;
- Women's Rights campaigns and
- PLWHA sector

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