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BCM to host New Zealand youths in historic camera project

Buffalo City is set to propel into New Zealand homes through a ground breaking reality television series that involves our homes and schools.

The City will be hosting six Maori Students from New Zealand from 05 -27 September 2010. They will be accompanied by two teachers. The camera team is arriving in the City today (03 September 2010) while the students will be in BCM as from 05 September.

A program of the itinerary of the students can be made available upon request.

During their stay, the learners will be based in Sakhisiwe High School, Grens High School and John Bisseker High School. The learners will also be based at homes of parents

A camera crew will be following all six learners during their stay in Buffalo City and when the delegation gets back there will be a series developed which will be broadcasted to New Zealanders on their experiences in Buffalo City in 2011.

This is a first exchange of this nature and the City is set to attract a lot of international media interest during the period the learners are in the City.

This experience would give the learners an opportunity to be exposed to different cultural, racial and social aspects of Buffalo City and South Africa

The South African High Commission in Auckland has been informed of the exchange and to show their commitment they will be joining the South African Community in Auckland to host a farewell function for the learners.

Buffalo City Municipality as the official host will be hosting welcome function for the learners and BCM partners on this project. The group is expected on Saturday 4 September 2010 in Buffalo City.

The visit is due to the cordial relations that exist between Buffalo City and New Zealand, especially through the (Volunteer Service Abroad (VSA), which dates back to 2002.

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