

# Sergeant Hendrick van der Merwe challenges every Swazi man in uniform



"I am a proud Swazi policeman" Hendrick says in his radio testimonial supporting the MC campaign. "For me, what I say and do matters a lot. I believe in certain values and I behave according to them." Hendrick explains that as a policeman he understands what responsibility means. "People are responsible for all their actions. If you commit a crime, you cannot blame someone else. In the same way you are responsible for your health. You cannot say you got HIV or an STI because of someone else." Hendrick says people should always be asking, 'what can I do to prevent it, or make it better'.

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"When I am in my police uniform I am in the service of the Swazi people. It's my responsibility to stand up for what is right, to lead by example. That's what makes me proud of what I do and who I am." Hendrick challenges all other Swazi men, especially those in uniform, to step forward for their own sakes. "I cannot explain to you how good I feel inside. I suppose I'm happy because I know it was the right thing to do." men, especially those in uniform, to step forward for their own sakes. "I cannot explain to you how good I feel inside. I suppose I'm happy because I know it was the right thing to do."