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# Media Release

## Volunteer opportunities

### Offering victim support in 2010

Pretoria, 28 December 2009: 2009 was not a remarkable year, filled with gilts and glamour. For many people it is a time of remembering loved ones who moved away or passed away. Many people lost the jobs and income. It is also a time when crime and misfortune are very prominent.

At Inter Trauma Nexus we are seeing a constant increase in the number of clients requesting help after traumatic incidents and the extent of the violence they were exposed to also seem to be on the rise. It is a fact that more Victim Support in these incidents is necessary.

The main objective of Inter Trauma Nexus is to create and maintain a multi-professional support network for the community, by the community, by recruiting volunteers from the community to serve as an effective and self reliant support and empowerment network.

The reality is that work related occurrences such as loss of a job, or divorce very often present with exactly the same reactions and symptoms as death of a loved one or violent crime related traumatic occurrences. Traditionally many organisations and service providers close in the 2008/9 period and traumatized people have little places to turn to.

Inter Trauma Nexus is looking for volunteer supporters to assist victims of crime and other trauma. These volunteers will be selected carefully and trained to be able handle crisis situations and traumatized people. In their training, special attention will be given to helping community members as well as tourists to our city.

Interviews for volunteers will be conducted from 4 to 8 January 2010 and the first course for these volunteers will be on 13 and 14 January

It can affect us physically, emotionally, mentally, spiritually or in any combination of these.”  
The good news is there is hope and life after trauma.

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