

Crime Forum Adopts Cnectd

MCI Consultants today announced that Sector 1 Crime Forum that serves Bruma, Cyrildene and Dewetshof in Gauteng had adopted Cnectd as their social media network.

“Cnectd has replaced an SMS system that we had in place and had been running for several years, which focused on crime and suspicious activities in our area,” commented Rob Crawford, the chairman of the Forum. “Unfortunately the latter was limited to SAPS and security companies due to the costs involved.”

“Cnectd, a division of MCI Consultant (Pty) Ltd., a company based in Bedfordview, agreed to adapt the system and allow us to run a Blackberry-type messaging system,” continued Crawford. “We have been running the system now for a couple of months and it is a great success. People are able to share information about suspicious people and vehicles in their area and community members on the network are working actively against crime. Problems raised seem to be dealt with quickly. Currently there are about 30 community members already in the group including the Cleveland SAPS sector manager, Warrant Officer Johan Jordan.”

“The plan is to have an administrator for each suburb and/or enclosure so that the topics remain relevant to a person’s immediate area,” concluded Crawford. “We will do this once the numbers or messaging becomes unmanageable and too diverse. The application can be downloaded on most smart phones. If other communities want to set up a similar network they should contact Greg Bernard.”

Cnectd is a cross-platform messaging application for mobile devices that provides real-time messaging with push notifications, so that you are able to keep in touch with family, friends and colleagues without paying the costs of SMS text messaging. Cnectd enhances your messaging experience by providing functionality such as delivery and read receipts as well as media sharing capabilities. Its advanced group management and chat functionality makes it easy to chat with many contacts at once. Cnectd is an award-winning platform designed specifically for mobile devices and is powered by a purpose-built, highly robust cloud-based server. There are currently over 1 million people using Cnectd around the globe.

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