

MEDIA RELEASE

TO: ALL EDITORS AND SOCIAL SECURITY WRITERS
FROM: SASSA
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SUBJECT: ATTEMPTED ROBBERY

An attempted robbery took place at a South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) social security grant pay-point in Lindelani, Kwa-Mashu, KwaZulu Natal this morning.

At 8:10 this morning a white Toyota allegedly rammed into Cash Paymaster Service (CPS) guards stationed outside the Lindelani Hall in preparation to administer grants. Another two CPS guards stationed at the gate realises what happened, went to assist.

It is alleged that the occupant of the white Toyota opened fire and a shout-out ensued. One pensioner was shot dead whilst three others were injured. Two CPS guards were also fatally injured. The casualties were being treated at King Edward Hospital. No other CPS or SASSA staff member was injured in the crossfire and ultimately no cash was taken.

SASSA would like to appeal to those who may have information on the alleged robbery to contact their nearest police station. SASSA would also like to extend its heartfelt condolences to the families of the deceased.

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