



## **CRIME IN KHAYELITSHA**

### **Client**

University of Stellenbosch Business School (Small Business Academy)

### **Objective**

The study was an input into the Small Business Academy Project on small business development in Khayelitsha. It also investigated the effect of crime on different types of business development in Khayelitsha.

### **Tactics Employed**

- Desktop research was conducted to establish the extent, diversity and effect of crime in the business development in Khayelitsha.
- Interviews were conducted with local leaders and entrepreneurs.

### **Outcomes**

- Crime statistics were analysed with armed robbery, business premise robberies, pick pocketing, shop lifting and truck hijacking identified as major crime categories in Khayelitsha business environment.
- Evidence confirmed that Crime deters external investors, and dampens local investment in the area.
- Social entrepreneurs argued that unemployment is the main contributing factor to increased levels of crime in the area.
- Major private security firms in Khayelitsha were identified.
- There is a need to increase private-public partnership efforts to fight crime, increase investments in crime prevention technology and to address underlying social problems.
- Critical backlogs with regards to Khayelitsha's infrastructure are also contributing to the crime scene