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BID TO SAFEGUARD CHILDREN DURING 2010 WORLD CUP

ENSURING Johannesburg's inner-city children have a safe and supervised environment in which to play could be key to making them less vulnerable to potential abuse or trafficking during next year's soccer spectacle, according to the Johannesburg Child Welfare (JCW).

Carol Bews, assistant director of JCW

said children from deprived back-grounds have limited access to safe open play areas.

In response to this JCW has launched a project called the "Chance to Play" campaign.

Children who access these safe play areas will be exposed to "Red Light 2010" material which has been de-

signed to make them aware of poten-tial dangers facing vulnerable children during the 2010 Rifa World Cup.

Participating children will be given life skills training and soccer coaching clinics at the Othandweni Children's Home in Soweto; the Masibambisane Centre in Eldorado Park and the Them-balethu Centre in central Joburg.