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Book Name:	<a href="#">Current Progress in Arts and Social Studies Research</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_BPR_2102
Title of the Manuscript:	COMMUNITY POLICING FORUMS AND BOARDS FOSTER COMMUNICATION AND TRUST BETWEEN THE POLICE AND COMMUNITIES IN SOUTH AFRICA
Type of the Article	Book chapter

PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The manuscript aims at fostering or optimizing community policing through effective communication between the police and communities across South Africa to foster trust which is a good intention. However, the structure and writing pattern of the manuscript needs to align with the academic standard of presentation. The Author presented the content as if they were all his and is not acceptable in academic research reporting.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	To make the article title attractive for readers, more meaningful at first read, to avoid repeating the word <b>and</b> ; to make it slightly different from the ealier published, alternative title is therefore suggested:  <b>Optimizing community policing through strategic communication and trust building in South Africa.</b>	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	<b>Abstract (250-300 words count).</b>  (Make an opening statement to show the problem that inspired the writing of this article or to show there is gap in exist literature; mention the theory applicable to community policy in context of the idea presented in this article, state the aim of this article, state the data collection techniques (i.e. content analysis), state the argument of the article, recommendations made, and state implication for community policing.	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	The structure and the content, not appropriate presented: The following structure is therefore suggested to meet academic research reporting standard:  <b>Introduction (2 pages maximum - 1.5 spacing)</b> Make a striking statement that show how communication has been a challenge between the police and communities in South Africa (SA). Cite at least two or three scholars to support the claim; Are there efforts to foster police and communities' communication, why do you think is not adequate? demonstrate how this has affected or affecting the safety, security or wellbeing of the people across communities in SA leading to community members to distrust for SA police supporting your claims with at least three to four citations. Established that even though these scholars have provided insights into this issue the challenge of ineffective communication and community distrust for SA police is still unresolved and need to be reassessed to optimize community policing. At this point state the focus or aim of this article (i.e. The aim of this chapter is to optimize community policing through strategic communication between the police and communities across the SA to foster trust). Raise three or four fundamental questions that you what to address i.e. How can police departments tailor their communication strategies to address the diverse social and cultural needs of communities across SA? What are the most effective methods for building and maintaining trust between police officers and community members in various regions of SA? In what ways can technology be utilized to enhance communication between police and	

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	<p>communities, and what are the potential challenges associated with its implementation? How can police departments establish and sustain effective feedback mechanisms to ensure community concerns are heard and addressed in a timely manner? State the methodology and significant of the of this chapter (article).</p> <p><b>Conceptual Clarifications (2 pages maximum)</b> (under here scholarly clarify these three sub-themes): <b>Community policing</b></p> <p><b>Strategic communication</b></p> <p><b>Trust building</b></p> <p><b>Theoretical Framework (2 pages maximum)</b> (Identify a theory that is applicable to your work, state the proponents, state the assumptions and how it relevance to your work).</p> <p><b>Literature Review (3 pages)</b> Review what other scholars have contributed on this topic and establish gap to strengthen the relevance of your own article. You can do this in paragraphs or thematically.</p> <p><b>Methodology (half or a page is adequate)</b> (Tell us the methods you adopt), then move to the main body of the article below.</p> <p><b>Optimizing Community Policing in SA</b> (Under this discuss the following subheadings):</p> <p><b>Shape communication strategies to address communities’ needs in SA</b> (under this theme address: How can police departments tailor their communication strategies to address the diverse social and cultural needs of communities across SA?)</p> <p><b>Build Trust Between Police Officers and Community Members in SA</b> (under this theme address: What are the most effective methods for building and maintaining trust between police officers and community members in various regions of SA?)</p> <p><b>Utilize Technology to Enhance Police-Communities Communication in SA</b> (under this theme address: In what ways can technology be utilized to enhance communication between police and communities, and what are the potential challenges associated with its implementation?</p> <p><b>Mechanisms To Ensure Community Concerns are Addressed Timely in SA</b> (under this theme address: How police departments can establish and sustain effective feedback mechanisms to ensure community concerns are heard and addressed in a timely manner?</p> <p><b>Conclusion</b> Conclude base on the above discussions</p> <p><b>Policy Recommendations</b> (Make recommendations base the above discussions)</p> <p><b>References</b> (Make the list of references to align with APA referencing style).</p>	
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<p>Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.</p>	<p>The thought to foster or optimize community policing through strategic communication between police and communities is geneue and great. However, the manuscript is lacking semantic (conceptual), theoretical and methodical relevance, casting doubt on its scientific correctness, robustness and technical soundness. These has inspired some of my suggestion raised directly on the manuscripts</p>	
<p>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.</p> <p>:-</p>	<p>The manuscript is largely lacking citations and the list of references are not only insufficient, they did not align with any academic acceptable standard of referencing. The new structure suggested would motivate the author to review scholarly materials, cite relevant and currents journal articles or government documentation to hence the list of reference. The Author should read about APA style of citations and referencing.</p>	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <p>Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>Language quality good but the presentation did not follow scholarly communication. This would be corrected with my comments directly made on the manuscript.</p>	
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The manuscript need to be rework to adequately meet academic research reporting requirements and to improve its scientific soundness</p>	

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	<p>Reviewer's comment</p>	<p>Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</p>
<p>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</p>	<p>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</p>	

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