

## The Psychological Society of South Africa commits itself to addressing ongoing violence

We, the Psychological Society of South Africa (PsySSA), express our deep concern at the ongoing violence sweeping our country.

We recognise the diverse forms of violence including gender based violence, xenophobia and Afrophobia, gang violence and the destruction of property that contribute to a broader psychosocial malaise.

There are complex causes of violence that require multiple interventions from civil society, political leaders and the public and private sectors.

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