



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT CELEBRATES NELSON MANDELA DAY 18th JULY 2014

A day of commemoration on the South African calendar, which by now needs no introduction, is Nelson Mandela Day. The Department of Social Development has a range of activities planned for this day, during which every citizen around the world is expected to spend 67 minutes to better their communities, in honour of the icon and late former President Nelson Mandela. This year's theme is "Together celebrating the Madiba legacy".

MEC Joyce Mashamba will be at Re Hloka Eng Drop In Centre at Ga-Dikgale with the Deputy Minister for Social Development, Ms. Hendrietta Bogopane-Zulu, during which the Department, together with the MTN Foundation South Africa, Rand Water and Transnet, will be handing over a brand new refurbished kitchen to the Drop in Centre. The event will be held as follows:

Date: Friday, 18th July 2014
Venue: Re Hloka Eng Drop In Centre
Titibe Village, Ga Dikgale
Capricorn District
Time: 10:00

Other activities throughout the province will involve all members of senior and middle management of the Department, who will be joining hands with sister departments and other partners and going out into the community with their own cooking, cleaning and gardening utensils, to really give 67 selfless minutes or more. The encompassing theme of these activities, as per the request by the President Jacob Zuma, is "cleaning up" and therefore activities include (but are not limited to):

MOPANI DISTRICT:

- Washing dishes and cooking at Tshubje Drop In Centre, Ba-Phalaborwa Municipality.
- Planting of seedlings and yard cleaning at Tanani Matiko Disabled and Multipurpose cooperation, Greater Giyani Municipality (with Department of Agriculture).
- Sweeping, mopping and yard cleaning at Fola-moya Old Age Home, Greater Tzaneen (with Love Life)

- Cleaning and gardening at Vhuthlari Disability Centre, Greater Letaba (with SABC La Familia)

CAPRICORN DISTRICT:

- Cleaning and catering at Sephaku Drop In Centre, Sephaku (with LEDET).
- Cleaning the Senwabarwana Complex at Blouberg Municipality (with the Municipality).
- Cleaning and painting at Reakgona Centre for the Disabled, Polokwane (with National Youth Development Agency and Capricorn District Municipality)
- Cleaning of Knobel Hospital, Aganang (with Department of Health)
- **Charity House handover at Seleteng Ga Mphahlele, Lepelle-Nkumpi, with Capricorn FM**

WATERBERG DISTRICT

- Cooking and cleaning at Lephalale Hospital (with SASSA)
- Hand and foot care, cooking and distributing of meals at Potgietersrus Dienssentrum, Mogalakwena
- Cleaning, Gardening and Cooking at Mokhari Secondary School, Mookgophong (with Mookgophong Municipality)
- Cooking at Huistekna Child and Youth Care Centre, Bela Bela
....and many more

VHEMBE DISTRICT

- **The HOD for Social Development will be at the official opening at Xivumbiwa Early Development Centre, Nkuzana Village, Makhado where Munghana Lonene FM has built the aforementioned ECD.**
- Handover of food parcels at Mphego Village, Thulamela Municipality (with SASSA)
- Cleaning of the yard and ECD campaign at Farisani crèche, Musina
- Plastering and cleaning of the yard of a 1-bedroomed house, Gumbu Village, Mutale (with the community)
...and many more

SEKHUKHUNE DISTRICT

- Cleaning and donating of toys, Bosele school, Elias Motsoaledi Municipality
- Cleaning, support giving and information, Riverside Village, Makhuduthamaga

You are hereby invited to cover these events.

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