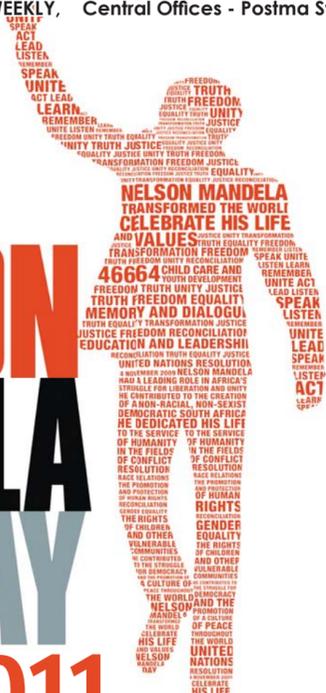


NELSON MANDELA DAY

18 July 2011

Make Every Day A Mandela Day!

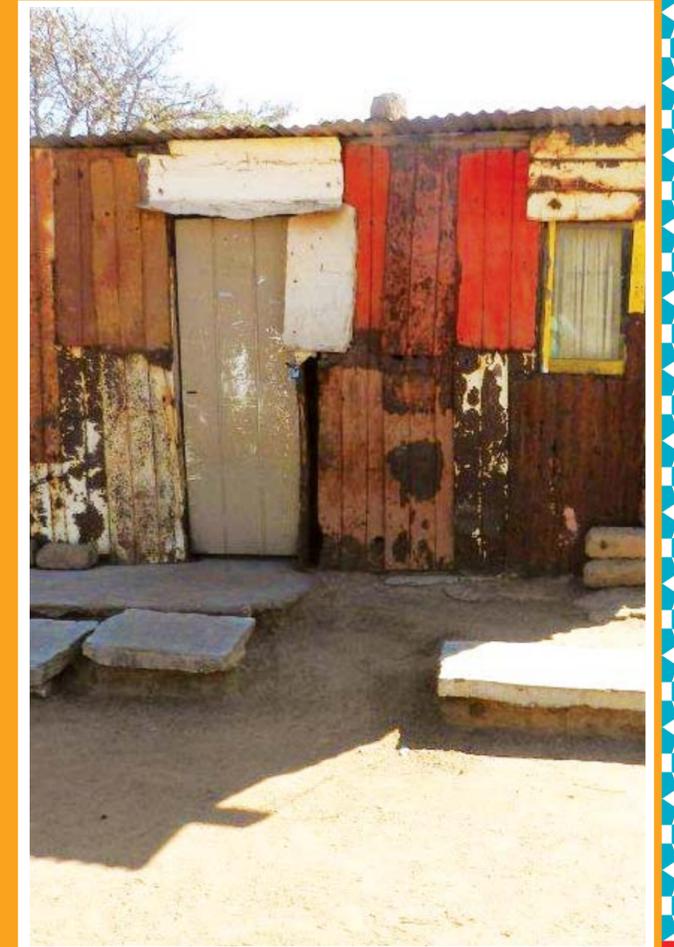
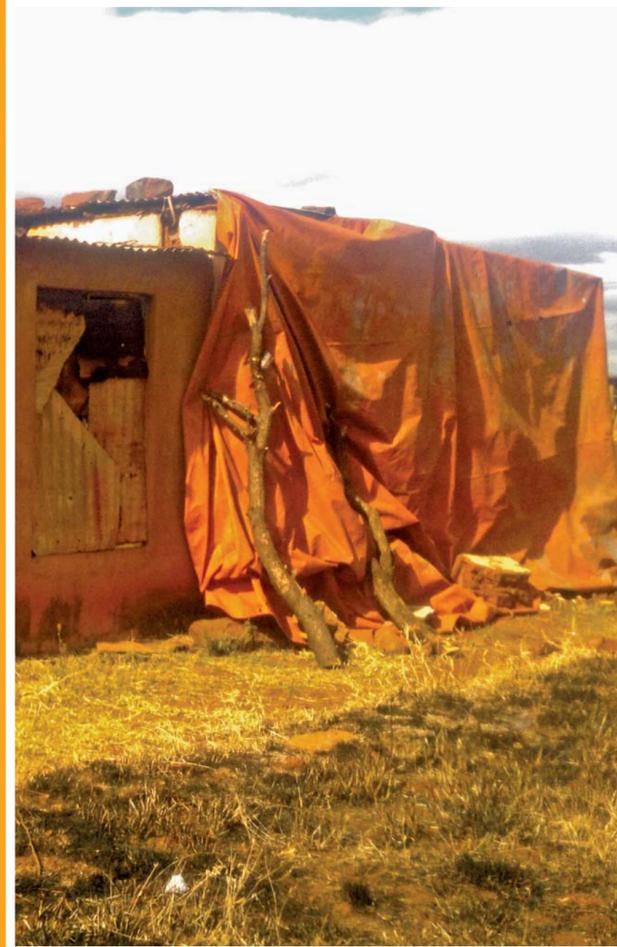


Nelson Mandela International Day, also known as "Mandela Day", is celebrated on July 18th each year. This day remembers Mandela's achievements in working towards conflict resolution, democracy, human rights, peace, and reconciliation. The Bojanala Platinum District Municipality would like to take this opportunity to extend their deepest respect and honour for our former President, Mr. Nelson Mandela by celebrating Mandela Day with the rest of the community. Nelson Mandela Day not only celebrates Nelson Mandela's life, but also serves a global call to action for people to recognize their ability to have a positive effect on others around them. The day hopes to inspire people to embrace the values that Mandela shared. These values include democracy, freedom, equality, diversity, reconciliation, and respect. Many people and organizations around the world take part in many activities to promote Nelson Mandela Day. These activities include volunteering, sport, art, education, music and culture. Various events are also hosted on or around July 18 to honour Nelson Mandela's works and to promote the different projects that were inspired by Mandela's achievements. Mandela Day also celebrates a campaign known as "46664", in reference to Nelson Mandela's Robben Island prison number. The campaign was originally launched to raise awareness of HIV/Aids. However, its focus expanded to broader humanitarian work. The efforts from Mandela Day support the campaign's ongoing work and other Nelson Mandela charitable organizations. Various statues and civic tributes have been made to honour Nelson Mandela. For example, a statue in Mandela's image stands at Nelson Mandela Square in Johannesburg, South Africa. A bridge, known as the Nelson Mandela Bridge, is also found in Johannesburg. Postage stamps have also been dedicated to Mandela, as well as various musical tributes, in previous times. What are you going to do on this day? This is your opportunity to show what you can do for the community! This is your time... Your time to shine and be the light for others...

Radebe Family To Receive New House

The Radebe family – which lives at Siga Village situated 118km from Rustenburg – is set to receive assistance from the Bojanala Platinum District Municipality during the Mandela day celebrations. The Radebe family lives in the Moses Kotane Local Municipality. The plight of the Radebe family was brought to light by the Speaker of the Bojanala Platinum District Municipality. Ms. Anna Maletsatsi Radebe is a social grant recipient (pensioner) who also has to take care of three orphaned children of school-going age. In total, she has five dependants and the R1 140 that she receives from her pension is not enough to make sure that she provides adequately for all the dependants. The family occupies a dilapidated four roomed house that is electrified and also consists of a kitchen, sitting room, two bedrooms and a store-room. The dwelling is poorly furnished and has a lot of cracks on the walls and this means that it is not very safe during windy conditions.

The family draws water from a tap which is situated on another street. The grandmother is the sole breadwinner in her family with her social grant pension but this is not enough to meet all the monthly needs of the family. The family often struggles when it comes to day to day necessities as the grandmother alone cannot cope with the financial demands. Lebogang – a 21-year-old – is the eldest daughter and she has two children who both receive social care grants of R260 each for very month. The house that the family currently live in is so small that the adolescent grandchildren have no privacy because they use the sitting room also as a bedroom. "In view of the above mentioned information, it is recommended that a new house be built for the Radebe family so that they are afforded decent accommodation," said Bojanala Platinum District Municipality Executive Mayor, Cllr. Louis Diremelo.



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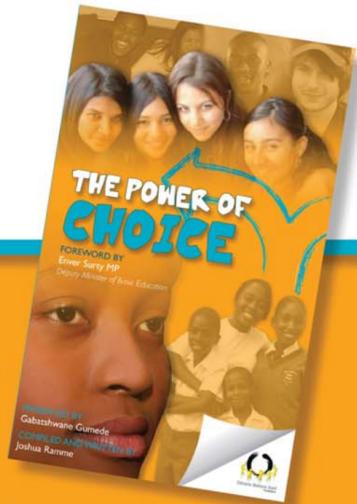
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Executive Mayor
Bojanala Platinum
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The Executive Mayor of **BOJANALA PLATINUM DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, Cllr LOUIS DIREMELO** will be celebrating **MANDELA DAY** on the **18 JULY**, engaging in community work by building two houses in the district.

The event will conclude with a **GALA DINNER** at the **RUSTENBURG CIVIC CENTRE** at **18H00** to launch **"THE POWER OF CHOICE"** – a moral regeneration youth guide presented by an influential young person (Gabatswane Gumedde, SA Ambassador for Children's Rights) for the South African youth.



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Mayor to assist Molefe family

The Bojanala Platinum District Municipality Executive Mayor – Cllr Louis Diremelo – intends to spearhead the transformation of the life of the Molefe family in Mmupudung during the Mandela day celebrations. During the run-up to the 2011 Local Government Elections, the Molefe family – which is poor and destitute – stood out as one that needed urgent attention in the provision of food, blankets and shelter. Stakeholders that will assist to realize this objective have been identified and are keen to play a key role. The conditions that the Molefe family live under are deplorable. None of the members of the family of 19 have ever reached high school education due to their financial burden. None of the family members have been able to secure formal employment and this means that they just survive on money from a grant and pension. Miss Molefe – a pensioner – has a child who is 40 years but also has 17 other dependants that rely on her for survival. They all live together in a shack which mea-

sures just 2 x 2 metres. The shack has no cement floor, no window frames and no furniture or cutlery. The three blankets that were donated by Cllr Diremelo during the election assist in keeping the family warm but more blankets are needed to ward off the cold winter nights. There is no toilet for the family to relieve themselves and this means that they have to use the field, which is a long way off. Madibeng Municipality – through the initiative of Cllr Diremelo – continues to provide food supplies on a monthly basis to the family. One of the stakeholders assisting in the construction of a proper house for the family is Oersofranky Construction. They have donated funds to kick-start the projects, which will take at least a week to complete. Councillors, government officials and community volunteers are also assisting in the construction of the house. "The gesture must not only be limited to Mandela day but should be provided on an ongoing basis," said Councillor Diremelo.