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ISIBAYA SAMADODA, UNITE MEN THROUGH CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE



The Municipality library services hosted a men's conference program at Georgetown library Ward 12. The conference is one of the initiatives to drive safety campaigns around the Msunduzi Municipality.

Ward Councillor Cllr Nkosinathi Masoeu was present to give an opening and welcome. "The municipality would like to express its gratitude to the men who attended the conference to demonstrate their commitment to the well-being and prosperity of the community", said Masoeu.

The conference serves as a platform for open and direct dialogue on issues that men are facing in society and to highlight the importance of collective action and shared responsibility of men in their relationships with their children.





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MORE RESIDENTS BENEFIT FROM THE HOUSE REHABILITATION PROJECT

The Municipality handed over houses and flats to beneficiaries in Ward 13, 14, 16 and 41. Mayor Cllr Thebolla who was leading the program, was accompanied by Sustainable Development and City Enterprises Portfolio Chairperson, Cllr Sokhela, officials from the Municipality's human settlements unit and councillors representing wards that benefited from house rehabilitation project currently being implemented by the Municipality.

Msunduzi Municipality is revamping houses by removing asbestos roofs, and further providing necessary rehabilitation of these houses to return them to a better condition. "A number of houses have been handed over to beneficiaries including title deeds. A safe and comfortable place to stay is amongst basic human rights", said Mayor Thebolla.

The mayor said more residents will continue to benefit from the program with the aim of eradicating informal settlements within Msunduzi Municipality.









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THE CLOSING OF THE 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM FOR NO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Madam Speaker Cllr. Majola and Municipal Manager Lulamile Mapholoba joined the Minister in the Presidency for Women, Youth and People with Disabilities, Dr Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma and KZN Premier Nomusa Dube-Ncube in the closing of 16 Days of Activism for No Violence against Women and Children 2023.

The program began with the Walk of Endurance along Caluza Road to the Caluza Indoor Sports Centre where a candle lighting ceremony was held in remembrance and solidarity of the victims of gender based violence all over the world.

Premier Dube-Ncube said government is working to give more accessibility to people living with disabilities, particularly those who require interpretation in Thuthuka Centres, by employing sign language practitioners to ensure everyone is accommodated and is able to get the help they need.

"From today, let's launch a campaign against gender based violence for 365 days, women and children are abused everyday. This fight should be fought on a daily basis", said the Minister in the Presidency, Dr Dlamini Zuma.

Several speakers from various organizations that touch on the main topics of the event were invited to present their campaigns to end GBV.

#16DaysofActivism #EnoughisEnough











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DEPUTY MAYOR GIVES BACK TO COMMUNITY









Above: Deputy Mayor Mkhize was joined by Elandskop residents at a local community hall, where he handed over food parcels. This kind gesture was welcomed by residents, who praised the deputy mayor for remembering them during the festive season.



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CITY SUCCESSFULLY HOSTS THE LAST DANCE MUSIC FESTIVAL FOR NEW YEAR'S CROSS-OVER













Above: The Last Dance Music festival was graced by Mayor Cllr Thebolla who welcomed the guests including the media to the City of Pietermaritzburg. The crowd enjoyed music from well-known artists who performed different genres of music leading to the countdown to 2024, which saw the crowd counting from ten to one in harmony.