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MEC OF HUMAN SETTLEMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS HANDS OVER HOUSES TO MILITARY VETERAN BENEFICIARIES



Copesville houses were handed over to military veteran beneficiaries, who received keys and title deeds. Our commitment is to be the leading province when it comes to building houses and shelters for military veterans", said MEC Nkosi.

During the handover of the new houses, Msunduzi Municipality Mayor Cllr Mzimkhulu Thebolla congratulated the recipients and thanked the Department of Human Settlement and Public Works for the honourable manner in which they provided shelter to veterans, and today marks the continuation of the delivery of services. Celebrating 30 years of democracy, we recognize these individuals who made significant contributions to the struggle for freedom.



BUSINESS LICENSING AWARENESS PROGRAM AT TRURO HALL FOR WARD 30

The Msunduzi Municipality's Business Licensing Unit accompanied by the Environmental Health and Local Economic Development Unit (LED), conducted a business licensing awareness program at Truro Hall for Ward 30. The awareness campaign emphasized the importance of business licensing and compliance to avoid penalties or business closure.

The program is designed by the municipality to reach out and share information with residents regarding the requirements for acquiring a business license from Msunduzi Municipality, in order for formal and informal business owners to legally run their businesses and comply with regulations.

Msunduzi Municipality advises residents to visit the business licensing offices at the AS Chetty building to source more information.

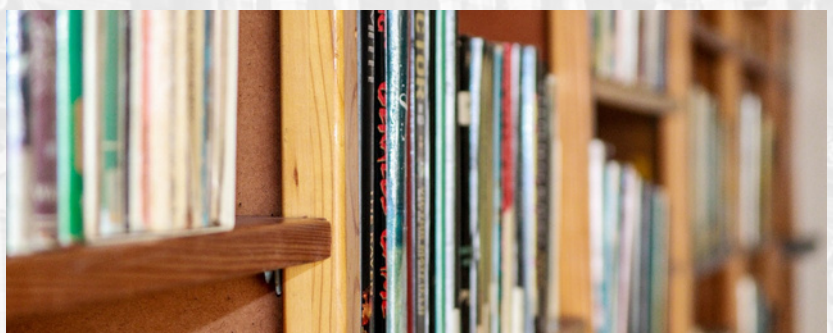
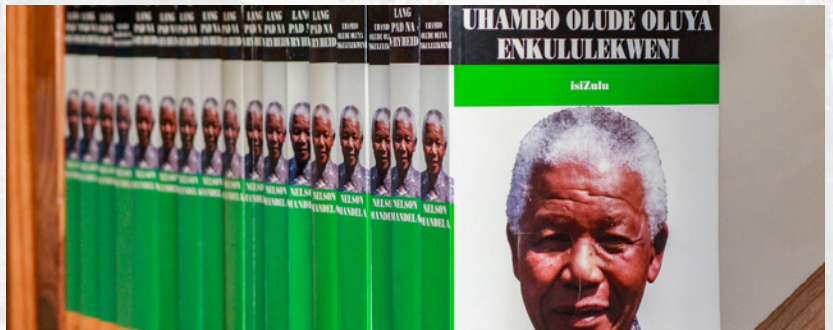


MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY SOUTHERN LIBRARY SERVICES LAUNCHED A NEW LIBRARY AND HANDED OVER BASIC COMPUTER CERTIFICATES AT THE SOVENTEIN PRISON

Msunduzi municipality southern library services has launched a new library and handed over basic computer certificates at the Soventein Prison located in Elandskop under the theme "Developing creative minds in a community behind bars" to celebrate library week.

The Month of March is marked to honour the vital role that libraries play in bringing people together, fostering connections, promoting unity and transforming people's lives and that was witnessed today in Soventein Prison. The programme highlighted the advantages of reading and the ways in which offenders have been able to transform negative experiences into positive ones. Various sponsors and stakeholders were also able to witness the offenders perform music and reading.

Msunduzi library continues to promote information services and resources as well as reading and the benefits of literacy in our communities



OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE WATER AND SANITATION SERVICES ON PRIVATELY OWNED LAND POLICY

Msunduzi Municipality Mayor Cllr Mzimkhulu Thebolla, hosted Department of Water & Sanitation Minister Senzo Mchunu this morning in Ashburton at kwaZabalaza Mshengu Farm as part of the official launch the Water and Sanitation Services on Privately Owned Land policy.

This policy aims to empower local municipalities to install water & sanitation services on privately owned land, more specifically on farms where workers work and dwell on these premises and have been unable to access these services in the past as a result of owners of the farms not allowing local municipalities to render the services. A community engagement in Cool Air Sportsground in Dalton for was also held where the policy was officially launched



BUSINESS LICENSING AWARENESS PROGRAM AT ORIBI

The Msunduzi Municipality Business Licensing Unit accompanied by the Environmental Health conducted a business licensing awareness program at Oribi.

The program is designed by the municipality to reach out and share information with residents regarding the requirements for acquiring a business license from Msunduzi Municipality, in order for formal and informal business owners to be able to legally run their businesses.

The municipality's local economic development department (LED) has close relations with other entities amongst them is the NYDA, SEDA, financial institutions etc, which allows the Municipality to be able to link entrepreneurs to these organisations to acquire business funding. The municipality encourages aspiring entrepreneurs to submit applications for funding, as it has been made available to ensure that those with business ideas can receive financial assistance to start and grow their businesses which also contribute to local economic growth.

Msunduzi Municipality advises residents to visit the business licensing offices at the AS Chetty building to source more information, as this also assists the municipality in successfully enforcing bylaws. The LED offices are located at the municipality's Tourism Hub building.



BUSINESS LICENSING AWARENESS PROGRAM AT TRURO HALL, WARD 28

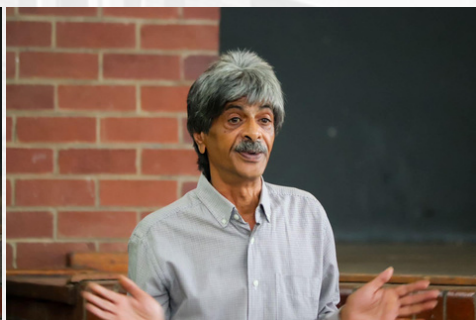
The Msunduzi Municipality's Business Licensing Unit accompanied by the Environmental Health and Local Economic Development Department (LED) conducted a business licensing awareness program at Truro Hall, Ward 28.

The awareness campaign highlighted the importance of having a licensed business and how to comply to avoid penalty or business closure due to non-compliance. The engagement continued with business owners raising their concerns with the irregularities happening within the Municipality of unlicensed vendors operating without licenses and asked for municipality's to take action against those who break the law.

The business licensing unit shared information with residents regarding the requirements for acquiring a business license from Msunduzi Municipality, in order for formal and informal business owners to be able to operate legally in their businesses.

The Local Economic Department (LED) shared how they facilitate Municipality and businesses in terms of funding through affiliation with SEDA, NYDA and financial institutions for assistance.

Msunduzi Municipality advises residents to visit the business licensing offices at the AS Chetty building to source more information.



MAYOR CLLR MZIMKHULU THEBOLLA HANDS OVER UNIFORMS



Msunduzi Municipality Mayor Cllr Mzimkhulu Thebolla joined by ward councillors and stakeholders held a Uniform Handover program in Ashdown Community Hall.

This is an annual event done by Mayor Thebolla where different schools within Municipality get selected to be part of the school out-reach program to help assist with uniforms in disadvantaged schools.

With a focus on young children and those with disabilities, Cllr. Thebolla expressed gratitude to all of the stakeholders, including parents, teachers, principals, and SGB members from various local schools, for collaborating with the municipality to be a part of this wonderful initiative to give back to the community.



LIBRARY WEEK CELEBRATION AT THE BESSIE HEAD LIBRARY

As part of the South African library week celebration Msunduzi library services hosted the official SALW24 Launch in the KwaZulu-Natal Province at the Bessie Head Library under the theme "Libraries foster social cohesion"

This programme aims to celebrate libraries in the country, celebrate information workers, and lovers of knowledge. The program provides information services through books and more computerized services in assistance to the community to promote youth empowerment through books. It included distinguished guests from different organisations in and outside the country, and showcased performances of music, reading and poetry.



DONATION OF BOOKS BY THE PIETERMARITZBURG GANDHI FOUNDATION

Deputy Mayor Cllr Mxolisi Mkhize along with the Chairperson for Community Services Cllr Nokuthula Msimang received books donated by the Pietermaritzburg Gandhi foundation at the Msunduzi Municipality Bessie Head library.

The Gandhi corner was established in 2013 and become in partnership with the Bessie head library which is the only library that has such in South Africa.

"Books should be a key part in people's lives and this week is to emphasis that as we celebrate the South African library week," said an official.

"We want to thank his excellency, high commissioner and the Pietermaritzburg Gandhi foundation for the continued relationship and for choosing Pietermaritzburg library," said Deputy Mayor Mkhize.



GENERAL VALUATION ROLL (G.V) PROJECT STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT SESSION

Msunduzi Municipality together with BPG mass appraisals hosted the General Valuation Roll (G.V) Project Stakeholder Engagement Session today at City Hall.

The session provided valuable insights into the process of deriving G.V values as well as ways in which property owners can actively engage to ensure satisfaction with the values as they appear in the valuation roll.

During the session, the Municipality delved into the methodology behind G.V values and explored opportunities for property owners to contribute to the process. Property owners voiced their concerns with the GV roll process which was then elaborated further by the GV committee.

The roll inspection period will commence from the 9th of April to the 15th of June 2024. Objections to the roll must be lodged by the 15th of June. Municipal staff will be available to assist with the process.





LAUNCH OF THE MAYORAL EASTER PROGRAMS



Mayor Cllr Mzimkhulu Thebolla launched the mayoral easter programs which will be taking place during the Easter weekend. One of which is the 4th annual All in African Conference Commemoration Walk starting on the 28th of March 2024. "We will embark on the 4th All in African Conference Commemorative Walk; a significant annual event which aims to honour the legacy of the All in African Conference held in Pietermaritzburg on 25-26 March 1961, which played a pivotal role in the struggle for democracy and equality in South Africa."

The Easter tournament is scheduled to take place from 29 March -01 April 2023 and is a significant initiative aimed at promoting community engagement, sports development, social cohesion, and celebration within the municipality. The tournament will be played on the basis of predetermined and existing SAFA rules. Each team will consist of 25 individuals, comprising 22 players, 1 Manager, 1 Assistant Manager, and 1



ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM

Amidst the Easter holidays, the Mayor of Msunduzi Municipality, Cllr Mzimkhulu Thebolla is determined to uphold the safety of all residents travelling from various destinations, as he sets out on a mission. His fervor to guarantee road safety is unwavering as he meticulously plans and implements necessary precautions to safeguard every individual journeying through the roads.





OPENING OF THE REVAMPED CLICKS AT CASCADES LIFESTYLE CENTRE



Mayor Mzimkhulu Thebolla joined Clicks management and staff for the opening of the revamped Clicks at Cascades Lifestyle Centre.

"We would like to congratulate Clicks on the new look. We are also excited to see that businesses still show confidence in trading in the City of Choice". said Mayor Thebolla



THE ANNUAL ALL IN AFRICA CONFERENCE COMMEMORATIVE WALK

The Annual All In Africa Conference Walk is a significant peaceful walk to consolidate unity amongst South African's and Africans.

In his opening the Municipal Manager Mr S. Hlela said that "it was such a great honour to be part of such an significant occasion in the South African History and the importance of us to walk in unity as those who did before us, to also continue lighting their beacon of peace".

"As we are still in celebration of Human Rights month, this day marks the strength of those who marched from all walks of life even those from our neighboring African countries were part of this", said the mayor in his address



MSUNDUZI MAYORAL EASTER SOCCER TOURNAMENT



The Msunduzi Mayoral Easter Tournament which kicked off on the 29th of March till the 1st of April 2024 at the Northdale Stadium.

Residents came out in numbers to support the teams playing against each other





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