



## BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAMME BENEFITS OVER 2000 GRADE 1 LEARNERS



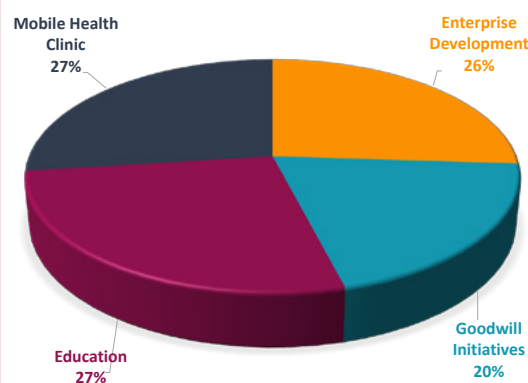
Our Back-to-School initiative has brought joy to over 2,000 Grade 1 learners across 17 primary schools in Sol Plaatje and Dikgatlong municipalities.

"The excitement on the faces of the learners upon receiving their brand-new school bags was a testament to the significance of this initiative. Matla A Bokone Solar has been such a thoughtful sponsor to us. We will forever remain grateful for this continued support." - Memoria Duze, educator at Flamingo Primary School.

This long-standing programme, which has impacted more than 7,000 learners over the last five years, also stimulated a local, black woman-owned SMME, creating temporary employment for two youths.

By partnering with the Department of Education and local suppliers, the initiative aims to ensure no learner is left behind due to a lack of basic school essentials.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SPEND - Q1: 2025



## ECD PRACTITIONERS GRADUATE

Well done to the ECD practitioners from communities within the Frances Baard area who recently graduated with an NQF Level 4 qualification, having completed an 18-month ECD Practitioner Capacity Building initiative.

This training programme forms part of efforts to professionalise the ECD sector and improve the quality of early learning in the Dikgatlong Local Municipality. These newly qualified practitioners are part of a broader programme supporting 25 individuals.

"I am very grateful for what Matla A Bokone Solar is doing for us as ECD practitioners. Today, I am a qualified ECD practitioner and was even awarded top student. I look forward to furthering my studies with their support." -Heinrich Bartlett, a practitioner from Little Flower Playgroup ECD Centre in Barkley West.

