

# QUARTER 2 2023



# SCHOLARSHIP SUCCESS STORY

FINALLY, WE ARE GRADUATES - HALALA MATLA HALALA! We are proud to announce that two students who were part of our scholarship programme have successfully graduated.

Botshelo Lukas obtained a Bachelor of Social Sciences Degree, from the University of the Free State, while Gary Leander obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree with Distinction in Data Science, from Sol Plaatje University.

We also welcome Bophelo Segolodi, a first-year student pursuing a Bachelor of Engineering Technology in Electrical Engineering at the Tshwane University of Technology, to our scholarship programme. We hope that the success stories of Botshelo and Gary will inspire him and many others.

Since its inception in 2020, our scholarship programme has been dedicated to providing funding for qualifying students to pursue tertiary education, increasing access to higher education.

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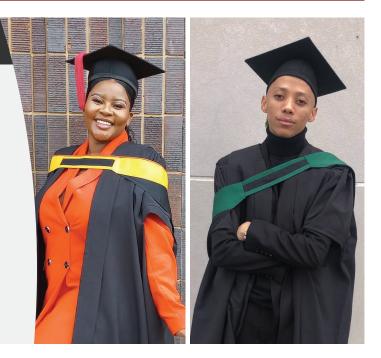
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# CAREER GUIDANCE & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT: **PHASE 2**

We successfully completed Phase 2 of our Career Guidance and Leadership Development Programme in collaboration with the Department of Education.

This quarter, we delivered training modules to more than one thousand (1 000) Grade 9 learners across six beneficiary high schools in our communities. The training modules focused on helping learners gain a better understanding of themselves, make informed subject choices, and map out their future journeys.

The feedback from the learners has been positive, with Jeremaya Costa, from Tshireleco High School, saying, "I learned that I have to understand the subjects I want to choose as choosing the wrong subjects can affect my career choices."

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### PINK DIGNITY BAGS - GIRL PRIDE INITIATIVE

As part of a 'Girl Pride' initiative, we provided One thousand (1 000) grade 8 girl learners, across 10 high schools in our beneficiary communities, with Pink Dignity Bags.

Each bag contained six packets of sanitary towels, designed to last up to six months. The goal of this initiative is to positively impact the psychological, physical, and emotional well-being of these girls, as well as to encourage and assist young girls to stay in school during their monthly periods.

The beneficiary high schools included: Thomelang, Pescodia, Platfontein, Greenpoint, Homevale, Emmanelle, Thabane, Emang Mmogo, Vuyolwethu, and EP Lekhela High School.

Additionally, this socio-economic development initiative contributed to stimulating a Young Woman-in-Business local SMME, achieving double the impact.

#### EMPOWERING LEARNERS WITH NEW SCHOOL BAGS



One thousand (1 000) grade 1 learners, from across 10 schools in the Sol Plaatje Local Municipal area, have once again received brand new school bags for the third consecutive year.

This initiative aims to increase self-esteem and make them feel important, empowering them to succeed academically.

Nono Gumede, Deputy Chief Education Specialist at the Northern Cape Department of Education, expressed her gratitude, stating, "It is truly heartwarming to witness the continued commitment that Matla A Bokone continues to make to our children in our schools. For most of these children, this is not just a school bag, but evidence that there is someone out there that is concerned about their well-being."

The beneficiary primary schools included: Greenpoint, Pescodia, Platfontein, Zingiza, Masiza, Mankurwane, Reneilwe, Boitshoko, Olympic, and Endeavour Primary School.

Furthermore, this socio-economic development initiative has contributed to local SMME stimulation by utilising a local service provider, resulting in double the impact.

#### 2023 UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Details of the next community engagements will be communicated on Matla A Bokone's online platforms.

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