



MANTSOPA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY PRESS RELEASE

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OPERATION HLA SELA COMES TO MANTSOPA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY TO CHANGE LIVES OF ORDINARY PEOPLE IN EXCELSIOR IN FREE STATE FOR THE BETTER

The Free State Executive Council and Government officials, headed by Premier Ace Magashule, embarked on an Operation Hlasela Outreach Campaign on the 14th of October 2015, in Excelsior in Mantsopa Local Municipality.

Operation Hlasela Outreach Programme created platform where different Free State Members of the Executive Council (MECs) engaged each other to augment on achievements of government as well as to highlight challenges that needed to be resolved in the area. These achievements and challenges were profiled at length prior the event took place by a hard working task team assembled from the Office of the Mayor.

The Programme also provided political principals with an opportunity to engage directly with the public as well as to assess the levels of public satisfaction regarding service delivery. It also presented an occasion for citizens to engage with their government as well as to celebrate successes and address challenges on the implementation of all other government programmes.

Operation Hlasela is an all-embracing programme of action by the Free State Provincial Government. Its aim is to align the activities, resources and programmes of all three spheres of government in a manner coordinated to avoid duplication and waste of resources in response to the attainment of the objectives of our government.

Mantsopa Local Municipality Mayor, Cllr Sello Ntsepe, said yesterday's event was a huge success despite the weather. Indicating that the people were happy with what the changes that our government is making in people's lives. "Hlasela is an ongoing programme and together as all three spheres of government, we are doing more each time to move our country forward and that starts in municipalities," the Mayor said.

Our government, in its quest to moving South Africa forward, did the following during the programme, but not limited to;

1. Gardening projects were assisted with seeds and JoJo Tanks;

2. The community clinic that serves the entire Excelsior community as well as surrounding farm areas is not easily accessible for people from the township. The Department of Health has therefore committed to hand over an ambulance to make accessibility of emergency services much more possible for the people.
3. Mme Francinah Putsoane (96 year old) house to be refurbished – floor tiles put, walls to be plastered as well as a new bed.
4. Mr Elliot Tladi (76 years old) and Mr Mpho Maja (69 years) houses were demolished and they will be built new house together with other households living in “Metapelong” and two-roomed houses.
5. New housing development
417 New sites
Sewer and water systems are being installed at the moment (contractor on site)
10 sites will be handed over to the elderly people
6. Visit to Day Care Centres in the area.
Some items to be donated to all day care centres in the area, are educational toys, party packs

7. Entrepreneurial development

Mr. Mphatseng of Mphatseng Tuck Shop was given R25 000 stock injection

8. Community Meeting

Handing over of blankets, mattresses, sanitary towels, educational toys and operational equipment and more.

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