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“DO SOMETHING GOOD FOR THE LESS FORTUNATE-MAYOR”

MOKOPANE: As the world marked Mandela Day, people were encouraged to give 67 minutes of their time to do something for the less fortunate. Thousands of people and organisations around the world took part in various charity activities to celebrate Mandela Day.

The kind hearted Mogalakwena Local Municipality Mayor Her Worship Cllr Andrina Matsemela has today encouraged citizens to be active by seeing Mandela Day as a way of being instead of an event.

Mayor Matsemela who visited three hospitals in Mogalakwena Municipality and visited two families in Hospital View and Phola Park for Sod-Turning Ceremonies indicated that Mandela Day is a reminder that any one of us has the power to take initiative and drive transformation.

“Let us not look at Mandela Day as an event that we will be part of every year. We need to look at it as a pledge for the whole year that goes beyond one’s daily activities. Decide what is the difference I can make to people over the year so that it can become a way of being, not just an event,” said Matsemela.

“We are aware that there is a shortage of houses in our municipality but as one government of the African National Congress in partnership with our stakeholders and business people will do our best to help those in dire need of shelter,” added Matsemela.

As part of giving back 67 minutes to their community and improving the lives of Mogalakwena residents, Mayor Matsemela to partnered with E.H Hassim Builders World and local businessmen to build a house for the Ngobení’s family of seven in Phola Park and Mautjana’s family of six hospital view.

Another activities Mayor was engaged to was cleaning of windows, launching of a vegetable farm, waste collection, renovating and painting at various hospitals and also clearing of the bushes nearby hospitals.

Community members and stakeholders we are delighted to spend their 67 minutes with Mayor Matsemela.

Photo Captions

Pic no 1: Mogalakwena Local Municipality Mayor Cllr Andrina Matsemela and members of the community during the Sod-Turning ceremony of Mautjana house in Hospital View during 67 minutes of Mandela Day celebrations.

Pic no 2: The Mogalakwena Municipality Councilors, George Masebe Hospital officials and members of the community before getting their hands dirty for Mandela Day celebrations in Mabuladihlare Village.

Pic no 3: Mogalakwena Local Municipality Mayor's representative Cllr Pheladi Olifant, Mokopane Hospital officials and Blessman Ministry (donors) during the launching of a vegetable farm in the hospital 67 minutes of Mandela Day celebrations.

Pic no 4: Mogalakwena Local Municipality Mayor's representative Cllr Pheladi Olifant flanked by municipal councilors as they plant vegetable seeds for Mandela Day celebrations

Pic no 5: Mogalakwena Local Municipality Mayor Cllr Andrina Matsemela flanked by EXCO members, EH Hassim officials (sponsors) and Ngoben's family members during the Sod-Turning ceremony in Phola Park during 67 minutes of Mandela Day celebrations

Pic no 6: A team led by Mogalakwena Local Municipality Mayor's representative Cllr Pheladi Olifant flanked by Municipal Councilors, Voortrekker Hospital officials and Mokopane SAPS members after the briefing Mandela Day celebrations

Pic no 7: Mogalakwena Local Municipality Mayor's representative Cllr Pheladi Olifant leading a team of municipal Councilors, Voortrekker Hospital officials and Mokopane SAPS members during the 67 minutes of Mandela Day celebrations.

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