

NEW HOUSE BRINGS JOY TO THE FAMILY

MASEHLANENG: A 60 year old single mother (Anna Masenya) was lost for words when the Mayor of Mogalakwena Local Municipality, Her Worship Cllr Andrina Matsemela officially handed over a fully-furnished seven roomed house to her during the last week of Women's month celebrations.

Anna Masenya with her family of 16, from Masehlaneng village in Mokopane who lived in a two bed room house with her children and grand-children for decades could not hide her excitement when the mayor handed her the house keys.

The family was identified by Ward 25 Cllr Ruth Tjale and a Community Development Worker (CDW) who then informed the Mayor who then put the family on the priority list of beneficiaries as they do not have any source of income.

The Mogalakwena Mayor, Cllr Andrina Matsemela did not hesitate as she searched for good Samaritans who were willing to help.

Mayor Matsemela said, "I want to inform members of the community who gathered here that it was not easy to find the Samaritans who can complete and furnish this house. We are thankful to everyone who contributed to making this project a success and we are grateful to the Almighty God who gave us wisdom and courage to provide a shelter to this family."

"We understand and know very well that there are still families in our municipality who still need houses and other services but we want to tell you that the ANC government will not forsake you. I can say Iyeza Nakuwe, this was the time chosen by God that we as government assist this family. I advise you to look after this house, it is your home," added Mayor Matsemela.

In her own words Ms Masenya said, "I am unemployed and we depend on child support grant of my grand-children. I am hopeful that I will get help from SASSA to receive social grant so things can be much easier at home.

"I am grateful for what the Mayor and the ANC government has done for me and my family. In a nutshell, I am happy to have a house of my own. If it happens that I pass away my children will have a place to call home," added Ms Masenya.

Community members and some members of the ANC within the District and the Provincial Legislature came in large numbers to witness.

PHOTO CAPTIONS

Pic no 1: Mogalakwena Municipality Mayor Cllr Andrina Matsemela congratulating Ms Anna Masenya for the new house

Pic no 2: A truck arriving with a furniture donated by Mayor Matsemela to Masenya's family

Pic no 3: Mogalakwena Mayor Andrina Matsemela officially handing the keys over to Ms Anna Maleka