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Message

FROM THE MAYOR

Hon. Cllr B.V. Ndamase

As the Mayor of Nyandeni, it brings me immense joy to connect with you through this quarterly newsletter. Our municipality boasts the breathtaking beauty of six stunning beaches, which not only serve as a sanctuary for our residents but also attract visitors from all corners of the world. It is crucial that we celebrate this natural wealth while also prioritizing the safety and well-being of our community.

In recent months, we have observed a troubling increase in incidents of tourist-related crime. This has raised valid concerns among our residents and businesses alike. I want to assure you that your safety is our top priority. In response, I am proud to announce the launch of our Tourism Awareness Campaign, taking place on December 5th at Mdumbi Beach.

This initiative is not just about raising awareness; it is about fostering a culture of safety and responsibility within our community. Through educational workshops and interactive sessions, we aim to equip our residents with the knowledge and tools needed to create a secure environment for everyone—residents and tourists alike. Together, we can ensure that Nyandeni remains a safe and welcoming destination.

Additionally, I am thrilled to introduce our inaugural Youth Festival on December 15th and 16th. This festival is a significant milestone for our community, as we aim to make it an annual event that highlights the incredible talents of our local youth. Over these two days, we will showcase a diverse array of performances from local artists, providing them with a platform to shine and entertain both our residents and visitors. This festival is not just an entertainment event; it is a celebration of our community's creativity, resilience, and unity. By investing in our youth, we are investing in the future of Nyandeni.

I urge every one of you to participate in these events. Your involvement is vital to the success of our initiatives and will send a strong message that we are united in our commitment to safety, culture, and community spirit. Together, let us foster an environment that is not only safe but also vibrant and full of life.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to making Nyandeni a thriving community for all.

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Vision

A municipality that: Drives sustainable Socio-economic development through efficient and innovative delivery of services.

Mission

Nyandeni will achieve her vision through a capable institution that:

- Provides basic service to all her people
- creates an enabling environment for inclusive economic growth and development; through investments attractions;
- provides efficient integration and coordination of the delivery of infrastructure services

Values

The amaMpondo people have a distinct sense of history and cultural heritage. According to the Mpondo oral tradition, they are the legendary descendants of Mpondo,

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Mr S.V. Poswa
Acting Municipal Manager

MM'S Foreword

As the Acting Municipal Manager, I am honored to present this quarterly update, which outlines our ongoing efforts and initiatives aimed at enhancing the quality of life in Nyandeni. Our commitment to transparency and accountability is unwavering, and this newsletter serves as a vital resource to keep you informed of our progress and future plans.

In light of the recent rise in tourist-related crime, I want to assure you that we are taking decisive action to address these concerns. Our Tourism Awareness Campaign, scheduled for December 5th at Mdumbi Beach, is a proactive step in our ongoing efforts to ensure the safety of both residents and visitors. This campaign will involve collaboration with local law enforcement, community organizations, and tourism stakeholders to develop strategies that promote safety and awareness. We believe that by educating our community about safety practices and encouraging open dialogue, we can work together to create a secure environment that fosters trust and confidence.

Moreover, I am excited to announce the launch of our inaugural Youth Festival on December 15th and 16th. This event marks a new chapter for our community, as we aim to make it an annual celebration of youth talent and creativity. Local artists will take the stage to showcase their skills, providing entertainment that reflects the rich cultural tapestry of Nyandeni. This festival is not just about entertainment; it represents our commitment to empowering our youth and recognizing their potential as future leaders and contributors to our community.

We are dedicated to nurturing talent and providing opportunities for our young people to thrive, and this festival is a testament to that commitment. By coming together to support our local artists, we can reinforce the importance of community engagement and solidarity.

I encourage everyone to actively participate in both the Tourism Awareness Campaign and the Youth Festival. Your involvement will not only enhance these events but also demonstrate our collective commitment to building a safe, vibrant, and inclusive community.



Thank you for your unwavering support and dedication to making Nyandeni a better place for all

NYANDENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY UNITES FOR SAFETY: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COLLABORATION

Hon. Mayor B. V. Ndamase addressing the community at Corhana

By: Xola Joja

On 26 September 2024, Nyandeni Local Municipality took a significant step towards ensuring the safety and well-being of its residents by hosting a Safety Indaba Dialogue at Corhana's Anglican Church Hall. This landmark event brought together community members, local development, stakeholders and bought leaders to tackle pressing safety concerns and forge a united front against crime. This Safety Indaba Dialogue was more than just a gathering, it was a call to action, a demonstration of the Municipalities unwavering commitment to community-driven solutions and collaborative governance. In a society where safety is everyone's responsibility, this initiative aimed to empower residents, foster partnerships, and leverage collective resources to create a secure and thriving environment.

Under the leadership of Hon. Mayor B.V. Ndamase Ndamase, the Nyandeni Local Municipality has consistently prioritized community engagement and safety. This Safety Indaba Dialogue built upon existing initiatives seeking to strengthen relationships between community members, local developments and stakeholders. Identify and address pressing safety concerns, promote collaborative problem-solving and resource allocation and empower residents to take ownership of safety concerns and forge a united front against crime.

Nyandeni community members including residents of Corhana actively participated, sharing concerns and suggestions. Various departments addressed key issues:

1. **Liquor board** – Ms. Bulelwa outlined the application process, emphasizing community chief's signature on forms, Councillor-led meetings for licensing approval, importance of proper licensing procedures. Discussion on reducing under age drinking and substance abuse. Preventing illegal liquor out lets, promoting responsible liquor trading practices.
2. **SAPS** – SAPS representative Col. K. Qashane addressed critical concerns during the safety Indaba Dialogue. To combat carjacking, SAPS proposed installing "CAR HIJACKING ZONE" boards in high-risk areas, increasing police visibility and patrols and fostering community-led initiatives to report suspicious activities. This aims to deter car hijackers, warn motorists of high-risk areas and enhance community-police collaboration. SAPS representative the importance of preventing burglary, theft and stock theft, as well as urging community corporation and reporting suspicious activities.

3. **Social Development Department (GBV)** – Protecting vulnerable groups, particularly women and children from Gender Based Violence was a key focus area. Department representative Ms. T. Mthembu highlighted the devastating impact of GBV on women and children, including lifelong trauma and psychological effects of sexual abuse. To address this, support services for GBV survivors were discussed, emphasizing the need for safe spaces for victims. Ms. T. Mthembu emphasized the importance of breaking the silence around GBV, encouraging open conversations to raise awareness and prevent GBV. Promoting gender equality and women's empowerment through education, economic opportunities, and social support was also stressed.

4. **Ex-Offenders** return to society was discussed by Correctional Services Department. The main focus areas included keeping prisoner's safe and following court orders, as well as helping prisoners change and preparing them for life outside. However, challenges such as accessing cellphones and overcrowding were also highlighted as issues that need to be addressed.

5. **Home Affairs Department** – Mr. B. Mdlokovu addressed birth registration and immigration concerns, ensuring secure identity documents.

Nyandeni Local Municipality's recent safety Indaba dialogue showcased its dedication to community engagement and safety. By partnering with sister (local) departments and residents, the municipality is working tirelessly to create a safer environment for everyone. This initiative encourages open conversations to address pressing concerns and promote social cohesion, while combating crime and ensuring public safety. The dialogue fosters social cohesion, encourages active citizens participation, and promotes cooperation between local government (municipalities), sister departments and residents.



Community of Nyandeni attending Safety Indaba Dialogue

NYANDENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY HOSTS SUCCESSFUL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

By: Xola Joja

Mrs. Thembeke Majova – A retired Nurse
from Nelson Mandela Hospital

Every 2 minutes, a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer, affecting over 2.3 million women worldwide each year. But with early detection and treatment, survival rates continue to rise. Breast cancer touches us all, whether personal or through loved one. With 1 in 8 women developing breast cancer in their lifetime, awareness and education are crucial. Early detection saves lives and community driven initiatives make a tangible difference.

On 30 October 2024 the Nyandeni Local Municipality under the leadership of Cllr. T. Matika - Portfolio Head - Community Services, hosted a breast cancer awareness campaign event at Ntendele Community Hall. This vital initiative aimed to educate residents about the risks, symptoms and prevention strategies associated with breast cancer. By organising this event, the Municipality demonstrated its commitment to prioritising the well-being of its residents.

The breast cancer awareness campaign was a collaborative effort, bringing together stakeholders from various departments. The Departmental of Health, Home Affairs, Departmental of Education from Libode and Ngqeleni joined forces to provide comprehensive services to the community of Ward 16. These organizations offered the following services:

- Cancer screening to detect early signs of breast cancer
- Pap smear tests for cervical cancer detection
- Prostate cancer checks for men
- Treatment for minor illnesses to promote overall health
- Home Affairs services for identification and documentation.

This awareness campaign event was also joined by Mrs. Thembeke Majova who is a retired nurse from Nelson Mandela Hospital in the Section that deals with cancer. Mrs. Thembeke Majova explained cancer as a tumour that starts to grow in your body, anywhere in the body. It begins as a small growth, similar to the head of a straight pin. However if left untreated, it can grow and expand, becoming larger. She mentioned that Cancer often attacks weak body parts, like lungs starting as a small tumour that grows silently and Liver cancer is particularly brutal, progressing silently with the following symptoms.

Initial little pain, Weight loss, Vomiting, Internal tumour feeling (without pain), Itching, Yellow skin and Eyes, Brown Urine, Pale stools. She mentioned that there are different

types of Cancer which are:

1. Carcinoma (breast, lung, colon)
2. Sarcomas (bone, soft tissue)
3. Leukemias (blood)
4. Lymphomas (Immune system)

Mrs. Majova explained to the community of Ward 16 that breast cancer can have combinations of symptoms, especially when it is more advanced. Most people do not experience any symptoms when the cancer is still early.

Symptoms of cancer can include:

1. A breast lump or thickening, often without pain
2. Change in size, shape or appearance of the breast
3. Dimpling, redness, pitting or other changes in the skin
4. Change in nipple appearances or the skin surrounding the nipple (areola)
5. Abnormal or bloody fluid from the nipple

People with an abnormal breast lump should seek medical care, even if the lump does not hurt. She added that Cancer is treatable especially when it is detected early. Treatment options are more effective. Many cancers can be cured if caught early and treatment options may vary depending on Cancer type, stage (I-IV), Location and Patients overall health.

Common cancer treatment includes:

1. Surgery – Removing tumours or affected areas.
2. Chemotherapy – medications to kill cancer cell.
3. Radiation therapy – High energy rays to destroy cancer cell
4. Immunotherapy – Boosting the immune system to fight cancer
5. Hormone therapy – blocking hormones that fuel cancer growth



Ntendele Community receiving health care assistance from the Department of Health

NYANDENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY CELEBRATES CHILDREN'S COMMEMORATION WEEK

By: Nqaba Njwayise



Ward 13 Cllr. N. Peter and
Community members

On the 6th of November 2024, Nyandeni Local Municipality's Special Programmes Unit led by Cllr. Nondlevu Zamekile: Portfolio Head SPU held a Children's commemoration week at Buntingville Ward 13 to promote children's welfare, protection and development.

This event brought together local community members and Government Departments that focus on Child Welfare. Community members and governments departments shared a common goal to ensure children have a happy, healthy and successful future. By hosting this event, the Municipality proved that it is committed to helping its children thrive. It showed that that the community cares about its young people and wants to provide them with the best possible start in life.

During the event, children participated in various fun activities, they showcased their learning skills by spelling words, doing alphabet exercises and singing the months of the year. These engaging activities not only promoted learning skills but also fostered creativity and teamwork among the young participants. The event organisers and community members watched with pride, acknowledging the children's eagerness to learn and grow. These activities not only celebrated the children's abilities but also emphasised the importance of early childhood education in laying the groundwork for lifelong learning.

Children celebrating their day



On his key note address, Cllr. Z. Nondlevu emphasised the importance of the event. "the purpose of this event is to provide young people with meaningful activities and celebrate Children's commemoration" he said. He also mentioned that we also aim to improve the way children are treated and protect their rights, ensuring that they grow up in a safe and nurturing environment.

One of the representatives from Social Development Department presented services that they offer including Child care where they ensure children's protection and welfare through foster care, orphan care, child protection services and adoption. Violence prevention in protecting women, children, older people and vulnerable groups from violence.

The Municipality also donated essential fencing materials (80 poles, 4 packs of Galvanised U nails, plain wire and burbled wire) to Sinenjongo Early Childhood Development Centre to ensure a safer environment for our young learners. This improvement aligns with the Municipalities goal of supporting the well-being and development of young people.



Fencing Material

NYANDENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY BIDS FAREWELL TO FOUR DEDICATED EMPLOYEES

By: Nthabiseng Nkunkwana

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Nyandeni Local Municipality feels honoured to have worked along side such capable individuals, their years of commitment towards this institution have made a difference as they have led by example showing what it means to serve with integrity.



From the right: Mr. S. Mvunelo (Municipal Manager), Hon. Mayor, B.V. Ndamase, Mr. Z. Msithwa and Ms. S. Msithwa.



From the right: Mr. S. Mvunelo (Municipal Manager), Hon. Mayor, Cllr. B.V. Ndamase, Mr. and Mrs. Mbono



From the right: Mr. S. Mvunelo (Municipal Manager), Hon. Mayor Cllr. B.V. Ndamase and Mr. and Mrs. Ralgane

Nyandeni Local Municipality has been consistent in employing the most dedicated staff over the years which have contributed largely to the achieving its vision which clearly states, "a municipality that drives a sustainable socio-economic development through efficient and innovative delivery of services". On 25 September 2024 the institution held a farewell party for four employees at Libode to show appreciation for their years of work hard as their professional career has come to end.

Nyandeni Local Municipality bids farewell to:

- **Mr. Zwelinkosi Msithwa** who has served **27 years** in Nyandeni Local Municipality under the Community Service's Department.
- **Ms. Nonceba Mantsinya** who has spent **22 years** in Nyandeni Local Municipality under the Community Service's Department.
- **Mr. Zolile Ralgane** who has spent **17 years** in Nyandeni Local Municipality under the Infrastructure and Development Department.
- Lastly, **Mr. Masibulele Mbono** who has spent **11 years** in Nyandeni Local Municipality under the Community Service's Department.

Both the Honourable Mayor Cllr. Banele Viwe Ndamase and the Municipal Manager Mr. Simthembile Mvunelo appreciated these extra ordinary individuals for their contributions, dedication, and service they have poured towards this municipality. Throughout these years they have serviced the institution with professionalism, compassion, and perseverance whether on the frontlines or behind the scenes.

The Hon. Mayor further encouraged them to remember to spend their money wisely, be more involved in their communities and develop new hobbies such as gardening. Cllr. S. Mbiyozo and Cllr. N. Mjajubana honoured this event with their presence.

Colleagues gathered at Libode Town Hall to celebrate with them as they have reached this milestone, they are not just leaving the institution but passing on the baton for the rest to carry on.

Nyandeni Local Municipality feels honoured to have worked along side such capable individuals, their years of commitment towards this institution have made a difference as they have led by example showing what it means to serve with integrity. As they embark on this new journey as retirees, we wish them nothing but the best for what the future holds, may this new journey be filled with fulfilment, happiness, and health. Now it is time to enjoy a well-deserved time with family and friends.

UMBHIYOZO WENYANGA YENKCUBEKO NGOMSITHO WENKCIYO KUNYE NEZOKHENKETHO KUMASIPALA WASENYANDENI

Ngu: Unam Mpongoma



Mrs N. Koyana uSihlalo woMama abahlolayo (Nomehlo)



Cllr. Nobuntu Nonkonyana



Cllr. T. Matika
(Portfolio Head - Community Services)

Kuvalwa inyanga yeNkcubeko (Heritage month) uMasipala waseNyandeni ubambe umsitho wenkciyo kunye nezokhenketho ngomhla wama-27 kweyoMsintsi kulo umiyo wama-2024 kwisikolo sakwaMaxhaka (Maxhaka J.S.S.) eQhanqku kwiWadi ye-07. Inyanga yeNkcubeko yelizwe laseMzantsi Afrika yinyanga yokubhiyozela amasiko nezithethe zethu kulapho kuye kunxitywe iimpahla zesintu ukubonakalisa ukuzingca nokubumbana. Lo mbhiyozo wenzelwa ukuzikhumbuza indlela ekwakuphilwa ngazo mandulo nokuzikhumbuza ngevelaphi yethu.

Inkciyo iyinxalenye yenkcubeko ebhiyozelwa minyaka le kwinyanga yoMsintsi (September). Ikwasetyenziswa njengendlela yokuncedisa kwanokuqinisa amalinge wokunqanda ukumitha kwamantombazana asafikisayo kwanendlela yokukhusela isifo kwanentsholongwana kagawulayo esithi sosulele ngokwabelana ngesondo ngaphandle kwesikhuseli kunye nezinye izifo ezisulela ngokwabelana ngesondo. Le nqkubo ikhuthaza amantombazana aselula angekabelani ngesondo ukuba angabisaqalisa aqhubeke nokuziphatha kakuhle enyulu. UMama uKoyana ubulele kakhulu kuMasipala waseNyandeni

ngomsitho athi awenzele iintombi zenkciyo minyaka le "Masipala ungasilahli kudala uhamba nathi kule ndlela singoonomehlo esincedisa ekungcineni isidima samantombazana, kaloku umzimba wemtombazana yitepile kaYehova" utshilo umama uKoyana.

Ezokhenketho zidlala indima enkulu kwezoqoqosho kunye nezenkcubeko yeli lizwe loMzantsi Afrika, ikwabuyisela ukubaluleka kwamachule namaciko bakwazi ukuthengisa imisebenzi yabo abayenza ngezandla zabo bakwazi ukuyithengisa kubakhenkethi, Ikwancedisa nasekuqhayiseni ngobuhle bendalo kwiindwendwe.

UCeba uNobuntu Nonkonyana ukhuthaze iintombi zenkciyo ngokubaluleka kokuzingcina uyintombi nto. Ngako oko uyakhuseleka kwizifo ezosulela ngokwabelana ngesondo nasekubeni ngumzali uselula /umncinane usadinga uthando lomzali nawe."qhubekani niziphathe kakuhle ningumzekelo omhle nakwamanye amantombazana, siyazingca kakhulu ngani" ubancome watsho uCeba uNobuntu Nonkonyana.

Iintombi zenkciyo zibhiyoza ngale mini



NYANDENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY DELIVERS HOPE THROUGH HOUSING

By: Xola Joja

RDP house given to community members

Access to safe and secure housing is a fundamental human right, yet many families in South Africa struggle to find decent living conditions. Recognizing this pressing need, Nyandeni Local Municipality has taken a significant step towards addressing the housing shortage. In partnership with the Eastern Cape Department of Human Settlement, the Municipality has launched an initiative to provide affordable and dignified housing for the most vulnerable members of society. This collaboration aims to bridge the gap in housing availability, prioritizing those who need it the most. By delivering decent homes, the municipality seeks to improve the overall quality of life, health and well-being of its residents. The project also aligns with the national goal of reducing poverty and promoting social cohesion.

Recently, Councillor Nolulamo Tyopo (Portfolio Head – Human Settlement) handed over a tender to Dlomo Construction Company to build 350 homes for the community of Ward 26. This hand over was joined by Ward 26 Councillor N. Mjajubane, Government officials and municipality representatives. The project will start on 1 November 2024 and finish by November 2027. It will create temporary jobs and teach local people valuable skills, boosting the local economy. 14 new homes were given to deserving families in Ward 03 at Luthubeni, as part of the 370 project. Each home has:

- A spacious 40m² design (length and width)
- An open-plan kitchen and sitting room
- 2 bedrooms
- Roof tiles
- A water tank
- A toilet

Nyandeni Local Municipality's effort to provide affordable housing will have a significant impact on the community. By improving living conditions, families will experience better health, reduced stress and increased overall well-being.

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This collaboration aims to bridge the gap in housing availability, prioritizing those who need it the most. By delivering decent homes, the municipality seeks to improve the overall quality of life, health and well-being of its residents.

The Municipalities initiative will also help reduce poverty by providing opportunities for economic growth, education and social mobility.

Nyandeni Local Municipality's commitment to delivering decent housing serves as a testament to their dedication to improving the lives of the most vulnerable. Local businesses will benefit from increased economic activities and job opportunities will emerge in construction, maintenance and services. Nyandeni Local Municipality's commitment to decent housing will leave a lasting legacy, transforming the lives of generations to come. The municipality's dedication to addressing the housing shortages will improve health outcomes, reducing diseases linked to poor living conditions. Enhance education outcomes, as stable housing supports learning. Increase access to essential services, such as healthcare and social services and create a safer, more secure environment for residents.

The community was filled with joy and gratitude as they received the keys to their new homes, marking a major step towards providing dignified housing and improving the quality of life. The atmosphere was electric as families, community leaders and officials gathered to celebrate this momentous occasion. Smiles and tears of happiness filled the air as beneficiaries expressed their heartfelt thanks for their new homes.

Attendees includes traditional leaders, Local businesses (SMMEs), community members and the families receiving the homes.



Cllr. Nolulamo Tyopo – (Portfolio Head - Human Settlement) handing over keys to beneficiaries.

HALALA! NANKO KE UMASIPALA WASE-NYANDENI EFEZEKISA AMAPHUPHO WABAHLALI

Ngu: Nthabiseng Nkunkwana

ISebe lezokuHlaliswa koLuntu ligunyaziswe ngokweCandelo lama-26 loMgaqo-siseko weRiphabliki yoMzantsi Afrika yowe-1996 kunye neCandelo lesi-3 loMthetho wezeZindlu yowe-1997 ukuseka nokuququzelela inkqubo yophuhliso lwezindlu oluzinzileyo lweSizwe ngentsebenziswano namaPhondo nooMasipala. NgeSicwangciso esiHlangeneyo soPhuhliso (IDP), uMasipala wokuhlala waseNyandeni unikwe iwonga lokuphumeza ulwakhiwo lwezindlu kwiindawo ezisemaphandleni nasezidolophini.

Olu lwakhiwo lwezi zindlu lusekwe koku:

- Iiprojekthi zentlekele zakudala ezavalwa/ezanqunyanyiswa phantse iminyaka eli-10
- Iiprojekthi ezilahliweyo ezichongiweyo kodwa zingenayo inkxaso-mali
- Ukulungiswa kweeprojekthi zezindlu zaseNgqeleni, ezakhiwa phambi kowe-1994
- apho imimiselo yolwakhiwo, izithethe nemigangatho ayizange iqwalaselwe kwaye
- kungekho bakhi bamakhaya kazwelonke nabahloli bebhunga lobhaliso.

Abaxhamli ekujoliswe kubo baquka:

- Abaxhamli abachatshazelwe yintlekele.
- Abantu abadala.
- Abantu abaphila nenkubazeko.
- Iintsapho/amakhaya ezineentloko ezingabantwana.

Kwinyanga yeDwarha, uMasipala waseNyandeni unikezele ngezindlu ezigqityiweyo kubaxhamli abangamashumi amabini (20) abafanelekileyo eCorana (Wadi 12) nakwilali yaseMoyeni (kwiWadi ye-09). Iyunithi yokuHlaliswa koLuntu iqalise ukuba ngeeyunithi ezili-10 ezigqityiweyo kwilali, kufuneka zinikezelwe kubaxhamli ukonakalisa



Uceba M. Gebhu, abasebenzi boMasipala kunye nabaxhamli bezindlu beWadi ye-09

okufanelekileyo, ukubiwa kwezinto eziphathekayo kunye nokuswela abaxhamli (ukuhlala nosapho/abamelwane).

Ubume bamakhaya/izindlu ezokhiwayo buquka:

- Indlu eyi-40m² ubukhulu enethayitile zophahla, amagumbi okulala ama-2, ikhitshi
- Kunye negumbi lokuphumla elikwalungele abantu abaphila nenkubazeko
- ngokwasemzimbeni.
- Itanki lamanzi.
- Indlu yangasese ye-VIP.
- Iinkonzo ezininzi zangaphakathi zokubalwa kwamanzi.

Aba baxhamli babulele uMasipala, besithi ngoku banendawo abanokuthi ekugqibeleni bayibize ngokuba likhaya, ngoku baziva beyinxalenye yabantu. Ikhaya elinqabisekileyo linika isiseko esizinzileyo, esibenza banikele ingqalelo kwimfundo, umsebenzi, namanye amathuba kunokuba baxhalabele indawo abaza kulala kuyo.

Ngaphandle kwezindlu ezifanelekileyo, abantu badla ngokuhlala kwiimeko ezingakhuselekanga okanye ezixineneyo, nto leyo enokukhokelela kwimibandela yempilo nakwiingxaki zentlalo. Ikhaya elakhiwe kakuhle libonelela ngokhuseleko olugqibeleyo nakwimozulu eguquguqukayo, likhusela ekuguleni, kwaye libonelela ngemekobume ekhuselekileyo kubantwana nakwiintsapho. Ngeli phulo iziko liqinisekisa ukuba kwanabona bantu basemngciphekweni bayafikelela kwiimeko zokuphila ezindilisekileyo, nto leyo enceda ukuvala umsantsa phakathi kweeklasi zentlalo noqoqosho. Inene singuMasipala owakha Ikamva eliqaqambileyo nabantu.



Uceba N. Nonkonyana, abasebenzi boMasipala kunye nabaxhamli bezindlu beWadi ye-12



UMzi/Indlu elikhaya phambi kongenelelo lukaMasipala



Umzi / indlu elikhaya emva kongenelelo lukaMasipala



Cllr. Z. Mchithakali
(Chairperson – Women’s Caucus)

NYANDENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY HOSTED THE WOMEN’S CAUCUS INDABA TO BRING TOGETHER WOMEN FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS

By: Nqaba Njwayise

“Through this Indaba, Nyandeni Local Municipality demonstrated its commitment to promoting gender equality and empowering women to connect, share and learn, the Municipality aims to create a brighter future for all.”

Nyandeni Local Municipality Women’s Caucus Indaba, held at Libode Town Hall on 05 September 2024. It was a historical gathering of Women Leaders event that brought together women from diverse backgrounds to share experiences, insights and strategies for empowerment. This pivotal gathering tackled critical issues such as gender-based violence, women in leadership, equality, business and financial education.

The purpose of the Indaba was to bring together women of Nyandeni jurisdiction to inspire, educate, and engage through various discussions, creating a platform for networking and building relationships among women leaders. “We are here to celebrate the day of women, to educate, to motivate, to build each other and to empower each other and also to break down the barriers said Cllr. Z. Mchithakali (Chairperson Women’s Caucus)”.

The Hon. Speaker; Cllr. Fudumele Gaxeni delivered a powerful address, emphasizing the importance of women in breaking down barriers and challenging the status quo. By urging women to stand up against gender-based violence, crime and drug abuse, He also acknowledged the critical role they play in creating a safer, more equitable society. “We are here to help each other to stand up and fight. Let’s build unity, love each other and teach each other so that our children can learn from us. In our days our children are in drug abuse, crime and violence” said Hon. Speaker. Cllr. F. Gaxeni.

Mrs. Khuthala Luvalo highlighted the alarming rate of gender-based violence and bullying in Nyandeni schools. “Gender-based violence is rampant here, affecting our children’s concentration and performance. As women, let’s unite to combat this issue. Ironically, violence often comes from those in intimate relationships” said Mrs. Luvalo.

She emphasized the need to report GBV to relevant organizations and urged women to stop violating each other, citing its link to depression.

Miss Lungiswa Nonkwelo shared her experiences in farming, encouraging every woman to plant crops in order to provide food (plough fields) in their homes, empowering themselves against poverty. As women farmers, accessing nutritious food is crucial and in order to succeed, register your business for government recognition, seek training from LED Office for expertise, follow farming procedures diligently. “As a breast cancer survivor, I attribute my recovery to the healing power of herbs. Despite my doctor’s lost hope, I persevered through herbal remedies and created my own cancer medication. Together, let’s cultivate a healthier, more self-sufficient future.”

The event featured esteemed guests including Queen Madosini Ndamase and Chief N. Mgcotyelwa who shared their expertise and inspiration. Queen Madosini emphasized the importance of Emotional intelligence in leadership, highlighting key qualities and actions effective leaders should embody. “As leaders, it’s crucial to collect ourselves, trust ourselves and think about why we were elected to lead the people, you must exercise your authority, effective leaders possess emotional intelligence, adopt a collaborative approach, leaders can address issues without resorting to radical measures, fostering a more harmonious and productive environment. I encourage leaders to teach younger generations how to lead, promoting a culture of knowledge sharing growth.” said Queen Madosini.

Through this Indaba, Nyandeni Local Municipality demonstrated its commitment to promoting gender equality and empowering women to connect, share and learn, the Municipality aims to create a brighter future for all.



Queen Madosini Ndamase

Nyandeni Councillors looking very beautiful and demure, celebrating their special day.



Hon. Speaker. Cllr. F. Gaxeni.

NYANDENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY REPRESENTED IN THE IMMSA WELLNESS GAMES 2024

By: Nthabiseng Nkunkwana

This year Nyandeni Local Municipality was represented in the Inter Municipal Sports of South Africa (IMSSA) where all municipalities in South Africa gathered in East London to battle for the winning title across 28 different sporting codes. These Inter Municipal Sports of South Africa begun on 06 October and came to completion on 11 October 2024. The official opening session was held at Sisa Dukashe Stadium in Mdantsane where Buffalo City Executive Mayor Hon. Princess Faku welcomed everyone as Buffalo City Metro, they are thrilled to host such an esteemed occasion. In her speech she stated "The IMSSA games not only celebrate athletic excellence but foster social cohesion and promote healthy lifestyles among municipal employees. By encouraging physical activity, these games enhance morale and well-being, enriching the lives of participants and communities alike". DSRAC MEC Hon. Sibulele Ngongo graced this official opening with her presence.

Sports play a vital role in improving employee wellness, through these sports activities employees can now achieve a healthy work balance life. Since Nyandeni Local Municipality leadership understands the importance of staff well-being, employees were released to attend IMMSA wellness games under five sporting codes namely Netball, Soccer, Volleyball, 10km and 21km race and Lawn Tennis.

In all five sporting codes Nyandeni Local Municipality is proud of how these employees represented the institution in Buffalo City Metro. In the 10km race Ms. Busi Rhani represented the institution well where she came second and for the males in the 21 km race Mr. Thabo Jozana scooped up the second position. In lawn tennis a total number of 12 municipalities were competing for the number one spot, it is with great honour to state that the institution managed to scope the number 1 position in the category of mixed doubles and position 2 in the category of ladies' singles as if that was not enough Ms. Bukiwe Nodada was recognized as the best player for the tennis tournament. Our netball, soccer and volleyball teams did their best but unfortunately could not make it into the finals.

A week of part taking in the IMSSA wellness games has not only reminded us that sports play a pivotal role in keeping healthy but also provide a wide range of mental, emotional, and social benefits for employees. It is important to remember that relaxed employees produce better results in working towards achieving the municipals goals. As Nyandeni Local Municipality we are extremely proud to have such dedicated employees we call our own.



Our Netball team



Our Soccer team



Our female Volleyball team



Our male Volleyball team



Ms. B. Rhani receiving her medal as a runner-up in the 10 Km race.



Our lawn tennis team



Mr. T. Jozana receiving his medakas the runner up in the 21km race.

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NYANDENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY PARTNERS WITH IBUYAMBO YAMAMPONDO TO CELEBRATE MPONDO CULTURE

By: Xola Joja

Nyandeni Local Municipality's Special Programmes Unit in partnership with Ibuyambo yamaMpondo, SEDA and Transkei quarries hosted a cultural event at the Libode Eco Park on 29 June 2024. This initiative was aimed to promote and celebrate amaMpondo culture, unity and diversity, while fostering youth development and entrepreneurship. Ibuyambo yamaMpondo is a non-profit project founded by a 32 year old lady Naledi Ndamase, an Eastern Cape youth Arts and Culture award winner from Amampondo aseNyandeni Kingdom who seeks to mobilise youth in the quest to revive and promote amaMpondo culture. The project focuses on promoting rural tourism and encouraging entrepreneurship among young people.

This event was joined by Ms. Sibulele Ngongo – Province of Eastern Cape's MEC of Sport, Recreation and Arts and Culture, Betusile Mcinga and renowned artist Master Dee. On this event there was a range of activities, showcasing the rich cultural heritage of the amaMpondo people. Some of the highlights included:

- Miss Inkciyo: A beauty pageant celebrating amaMpondo culture and tradition

The winners of Miss Inkciyo were:

1. **Lisakhanya Gwayi (Queen)** from Nyandeni village (NLM Ward 31) has won a laptop
 2. **Phambukile Ovayo (1st Princess)** from eDutywa has won a tablet
 3. **Ongeziwe Xesha (2nd Princess)** from Port St. Johns has also won a tablet
- Traditional group's competition: showcasing traditional music, dance and Art
 - University Application drive: Encouraging youth to pursue higher education

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This partnership has enabled us to share our culture with a wider audience and inspire young people to take pride in their heritage.

- Stall (youth in business): Promoting young people to sell or display their handmade goods such as paintings or drawings
- Art and craft stalls: displaying local Artistry like drawings and craftsmanship like sculptures
- Music festival: featuring local and regional music talent

The partnership between Nyandeni Local Municipality and Ibuyambo yamaMpondo shows great commitment to community development and cultural preservation. By supporting initiatives like Ibuyambo yamaMpondo, the municipality aims to empower youth and promote cultural tourism in the region.

This event has great impact on our rural areas, contributing to the elimination of poverty, crime and Gender Based Violence (GBV). Through this initiative:

- Over 200 indigent individuals receive essentials items such as school shoes, backpacks and groceries annually during the festival
- More than 100 job opportunities are created, providing economic empowerment and stability to our community members.

“We are proud to partner with Ibuyambo yamaMpondo in celebrating our rich cultural heritage”, said Cllr. Zamekile Nondlevu (Special Programmes Unit Portfolio Head). This event is a testament to the power of collaboration in driving community development and promoting unity in diversity. Naledi Ndamase, founder of Ibuyambo yamaMpondo, expressed her gratitude to the Municipality for their support.

“This partnership has enabled us to share our culture with a wider audience and inspire young people to take pride in their heritage”.

The event was very successful, with many people coming from all around and from all walks of life. Ibuyambo yamaMpondo is getting bigger and stronger, and it will help keep amaMpondo culture alive and support community growth in the Nyandeni's jurisdiction.



Hon. Sibulele Ngongo – Province of the Eastern Cape's MEC of Sports, Recreation and Arts and Culture



Miss Cultural SA - Inako Mateza reciting poem about the Ibuyambo yamaMpondo

Betusile Mcinga performing in the Buyambo yamaMpondo event

Cllr. Zamekile Nondlevu – (SPU Portfolio Head) addressing the people at Ibuyambo YamaMpondo Fesitival



IINKONZO ZONYANGO ZAFELE-FELE

Ngu: Nqaba Njwayise

Abantu abeze kufumana uncedo

Ngomhla wama-23 ukuya kumhla kowama-27 kweyoMsintsi kulo umiyo, I-Rucc Life Ministries ibambisene neSebe lezeMpilo ibambe inkqubo yeentsuku ezintlanu ngeenjongo zokuzisa iinkonzo zonyango zafele-fele kuluntu lonke lwaseNyandeni, ukanti eli phulo belibanjelwe Komkhulu eNyandeni phantsi kweWadi yama-31.

Luphume ngobuninzi balo uluntu lwaseNyandeni lwaleqa ukuyokuzifumanela unyango lwafele-fele kooGqirha abathe banikela ngexesha labo kwanesakhono benceda abantu bommandla woMasipala waseNyandeni abathe bazikhethela wona. Baxilongiwe abantu, abadala, ulutsha kwakunye nabantwana abancinane, Zonke iintlobo ngeentlobo zezigulo bezinyangwa, wena Vavanyo nonyango lwesifo sephepha (T.B.) uvavanyo lwentsholongwane kaGawulayo kwanogawulayo (HIV/AIDS) kunye nonyango, ukuhlololwa imihlaza, uxinzelelo lwegazi kunye nokuhlololwa kweswekile yegazi, izikrini zomchamo, ukhathalelo kwanocwangciso lwezala, iingcebiso kunye neenkonzco zocwangciso-ntsapho.

I-Nyandeni kweli tyeli ikhethwe ngenxa yokukuba uCllr. Z. Nomandela ukhe wabonisa ukuyithakazelela kakhulu le nkqubo de wacela okokuba le nkqubo iye kuqhutywa kwiWadi akhonza uluntu kuyo, ithe yabayimpumelelo eyiququzelela ekwapapasha kuluntu lwaseNyandeni nakooGxa bakhe lwaza lweza ngobuninzi balo uluntu ukuzakufumana unyango kwaneenkonzco abazidingayo. Kule mihla abantu abaninzi abanazo iintsiba ngokupheleleyo abanokuthi ngazo baziyele kooGqirha khonúkuze bafumane unyango yilonto i-Rucc ibone okokuba makhe isondelele uluntu lwethu.

"Silapha ukuzokuxilonga abantu base-Nyandeni jikelele fele-fele, baxilongwa bakugqiba bathi abo kuyimfuneko kakhulu okokuba badluliselwe esibhedlele esikhulu badluliselwe eMthatha kwisiBhedlele esikhulu sakwaMandela apho kukho ubuxhaka-xhaka bonyango obuninzi nobuyimfuneko lukwaluncedo kwinkalo ngeenkalo zokugula". Utshilo uMama uHermanus onguMphathi wale nkqubo.

UVuyisani Hanisa ongomnye wabathe bafumana unyango ubulele kakhulu ngeli phulo elithe laqhutywa kwindawo yabo eNyandeni. "Sincedakele kakhulu, besigula sisigula kodwa ke ukhona umohluko ozakubakhona ngokuba sincediwe sizifumene iipilisi nezitofu. Ukanti nabantwana bazifumene zonke izinto ebekufanele okokuba bazifumane. Sibulela kakhulu ngalento inkulu kangaka enisenzele yona" utshilo oka Hanisa.

UCeba wendawo ubulele ngokungazenzisiyo kooGqirha bonke abathe bathatha inxaxheba ukuzisa iinkonzo zonyango kuluntu lommandla woMasipala waseNyandeni. Ukwahayise ngelithi "ukusukela ngoMvulo ukuya kuLwesihlanu abantu bancediwe kakhulu, wena okhupha amazinyo, wena ogulayo, wena ophethwe yiswekile". Sibulela kakhulu ngeli phulo, uluntu lwethu luncediwe kangangoko nangaphezulu kokuba belulindele kwaye baphume ngobuninzi babo abantu ukuzokukhangela uncedo, baphume bewafumene amayeza kunye nezitofu zeentlungu abazithandayo nabakholiswa ziza xa bengaphilanga. Uluntu lwethu lukhathalelwe kakhulu, ndiyayibulela kakhulu le nyhweba inkulu kangaka yokunceda uluntu lwethu emakhaya apho bahlala khona.



Ugqirha exilonga umguli



Kulapho kuthathwa khona amayeza



Onontlalontle benikeza abahlali iingcebiso.

U-Mama S.N. Hermanus (uMququzelel we-RUCC Ministries)

UKUYALWA KWABANTWANA BESIKOLO SAKWAMAYIBENYE

Ngu: Unam Mpongoma

Ngomhla we-16 kweyeThupha 2024. Iqumrhu le Centre's for Disease Control (CDC), Right to care, District Initiation Forum Members, TB & HIV, Songe Social Change, amagosa kaZwelonke kwakunye neNdlu yeeNkosi ephondweni lityelele kwisikolo sakwaMayibeny (Mayibeny J.P.S.) kwilali yaseLusizini (Ward 19) kwisithili saseNgqeleni. Emva kwesikhalo esenziwe yiNqununu Mnumzana K.N. Phuthuma yesikolo malunga namakwala enza ucalucalolo nodushe esikolweni saseMayibeny. Bekukhona uMnumzana S. Goqwana osuka kwiCandelo lezeMpilo (health), uMnumzana S. Ntlantsana osuka kwiCandelo lakwa-TB & HIV, uMnumzana M. Aplom osuka kwiNdlu yeeNkosi ephondweni, Mnumzana S. Hlazo osuka kwaMasipala waseNyandeni okwanguye noMququzeleli wequmrhu leDistrict Initiation Forum Members, i-Nkosi N. Lutuka "Zwelizolile" onguSihlalo we-District Initiation Forum Members (DIFM), uMnumzana M. Hlophe osuka kwiQumrhu lakwa-Right to Care noMnumzana S. Kwesaba oyiNtloko yakwa-Right to Care.

Kuye kwayalwa amakwala esaziswa ngendlela efanele kukuziphatha ngayo indoda, ukuhlonipha ebantwini abadala nakontanga babo. Baye bafundiswa ngendlela yokuziphatha njengooBhuti abatsha. Baxeelwe ukuba wonke umntwana osesikolweni yinkwenkwe okanye intombazana ayikho indoda, mabayeke ukufaka uxinzelelo kumakhwenkwe aselula kwaye bahloniphe amasiko nezithethe zabanye abantwana ngoba amakhaya awafani. Kufundiswe ngokubaluleka kwesikolo ngoba yonke imisebenzi ifuna umntu ofundileyo. Kuxelelwe amakhwenkwe angekayi esuthwini ukuba iminyaka elungileyo ukuba inkwenkwe iye esuthwini iqala kwiminyaka eli-16 ukubheka phezulu. Bacetyiswe ukuba babengumzekelo omhle eluntwini nakumakhwenkwe asakhlayo. Baxeelwe ngobungozi bokungayi kwiziko lezempilo egameni lokuba ngamadoda ngoba ezinye izifo zinyangeka bhetele xa zifunyenwe kwangoko emzimbeni womntu. UMama obethethela abazali ebeswele imilomo eliwaka yokubulela into entle kangaka eyenzelwe abantwana babo, esithi umahluko uzakubakhona

kubantwana babo emva kwezi mfundiso bazifumeneyo. U-Mihle Seku onguMfundi ubulele kakhulu esithi ezi ngcebiso zizokwenza umohluko omkhulu ezimpilweni zabo.

Kuye kwaphunywa esikolweni saseMayibeny kwayiwa kumhlaba wakwaKhonjwayo phantsi kweNkos'u L. Gwadiso "Jongisebe" kwilali yaseMamolweni kwisisithili saseNgqeleni nakwiindawo zokugcina amakwala apha kulommandla wesithili sakwa-O.R. Tambo, enye i-kuTsolo enye iseNgqeleni, la maziko okhiwe kumhlaba wamaKomkhulu zaze zabaphantsi kolawulo lawo zakhiwe emhlabeni wazo. Isizathu sokuba kwakhiwe la maziko kukuba kwaye kwaqatshelwa ukonzakala okumandla kwamakwala nokuphathwa gadalala singekho isizathu soko, ngamanye amaxesha abanye baqokelelelwa khona phambi kokuba baye esuthwini khona ukuze ooQgirha abanabo bakwazi ukubaxilonga phambi kokuba badibane neNgcibi. Ukanti kufikwe le ndawo ingekakulungeli ukugcina abantu okwalomzuzu, laa magosa aye acela ukubambisana nabantu balelali neNkosi ukuze kukwazi ukulungiswa kwalendawo ukuze kukwazi abantwana ukuncedakala baphume bephilile kuphele ukusweleka kwamakwala esuthwini. Akukho nani lichanelekileyo ukuba ezizindlu ziye zonele amakwala amangaphi ngoba kuye kungene abangaphilanga okwalomzuzu basolulama baphume kungene abanye.

Utata uSolomzi Gwadiso ubemele iiNkosi uthe wazigwagwisa ngelithi kwiminyaka embalwa ibisebenza le ndawo yhaye akukhange kubekho nelinye ikrwala eliye lonzakala okanye lasweleleka nebelifike lonzakele liye lincadakale apha.

Abefundi besikolo sakwa-Mayibeny (Mayibeny J.S.S.)



Ngasekhohlo: nguNkosi N. Luthuka "Zwelizolile" kunye noSibonda welali uTatu S. Gwintsa

UMASIPALA WASENYANDENI UBHIYOZELE IMINI YABANTU ABADALA

Ngu: Unam Mpongoma



Ngasentla ngu-Nontlalontle kwicala labantu abadala kunye nabantu abaphila nenkubazeko uThobeka Ntanjana.

Ngasentla ngu-Cllr. Z. Nondlevu oyintloko yeenkonzo zabucala (Special Programms Unit)

Imini yabantu abadala yenzelwe abantu abadala bakwazi ukuhlala bacebisane ngeengxaki zabo, bachithisane isithukuthesi bazilongke bekwindawo enye. Ngomhla we-04 kweyeDwarha kulo umiyo wama-2024 uMasipala waseNyandeni wenzele abantu abadala umbhizo kwiholo eMhlanganisweni kwiWadi ye-03 phantsi kobunkokheli buka-Cllr. G. Mfakanye.

Injongo zokusekwa kwale mini yabantu abadala kukuba babonise ukuba babalulekile kakhulu eluntwini. Bakwazi kananjalo ukufumana ukuhoyo olubafaneleyo ngokwasempilweni kwanexesha lokuncokola nabanye abantu bakwazi ukucebisa ngeengxaki abanazo emakhaya bancedane. Njengoko imininzi imiphanga yabantu abadala iye ivele emva kweveki okanye inyanga sele kuviwa ngevumba ukuba umntu kudala waswelekayo ngoba bahlala bodwa emakhayeni abo. UMasipala weNyanda ka-Ntontela wabona ukuba kufanelekile kuvulwe iindawo apho abantu badala bazakufumana isindlo sakusasa, esasemini nesangokuhlwa ngeentsuku eziNtathu (03) evekini, banabo nabantu ababagadayo babaphekele abathi bafumane isepu xa kuphele inyanga. Benziswa nemisebenzi yezandla amakhukho, imitshayelo yengca, iingubo/tyali zewulu nezinye izinto.

Ucllr. Nondlevu oyintloko yeeCandelo leeNkonzo zabucala (Special Programms Unit) uthethe wathi “ingase bekukhona abantu abatsha bazotsho bayalwe ngoba ngabo abahlukumeza abantu abadala, into yokuhlukumezwa kwabantu abadala isichaphazela sonke ngoba namhlanje ingangowam ngomso ibengowakho umakhulu” uphinde wancoma igalelo lale nkqubo esithi “andiboni maxhego namaxhegwazana mna apha ndibona abatshakazi nabafana, into endivuyisa kakhulu kukuba kukhona nabantu abangooTata kuba kwinkqubo ezinje kuye kugcwale abantu abangooMama, kufuneka kuvulwe itumente apho abantu abadala bazodlala khona ibhola” Kuphunywe kumbhizo uMasipala waseNyandeni wayokunikezela ngezixhobo zokubiya iyadi yabo, bephiwe ngesisa iipali ezingama-80, iinkatha zocingo oluyinethi ezi-4, i-50kg yocingo lokubiya oluhlabayo, iGeyithi enye (01), i-3kg yocingo lokubopha kunye nezijuculu ezine zezikhonkwane ekuzobiywa ngazo indawo yabantu abadala eMhlanganisweni. Bayivuyele kakhulu into yalo mbhizo abahlali base Mhlanganisweni kwakunye nabanye abantu abadala abesuka kwezinye iiWadi ebezise kulo msitho.



Ngasentla ngabantu abadala abazonwabisa ngokudanisa



Ngasentla zizinto ezenziwa ngabantu abadala ngezandla



Ngasentla ngabantu abadala bezimase loo msitho

NYANDENI MUNICIPALITY GIVES RECOGNITION TO GREENVINES CO-OPERATIVE

By: Nthabiseng Nkunkwana

Greenvines was first informally established in the year 2017 by 3 young individuals from Misty Mount village in a 0.5ha producing spinach. In 2021 the co-operative was formally registered by 5 youth members and expanded the production to 3.5ha where they grow spinach, cabbage, broccoli, butternut, beetroot, potatoes and white maize interchangeably.

This youth led co-operative stands out for its commitment to community development and empowerment, as it has made significant strides fostering growth and job creation. Greenvines work extends beyond business, as it is actively engaged in uplifting subsistence farmers and school learners in the Misty Mount area through strategic partnerships. These partnerships focus on providing essential training, market access, and equipment, which are crucial for sustainable development. The support for Greenvines not only promises to enhance their business operations but also to reinforce their positive impact on the community.

Greenvines Co-operative mission is to play a leading role in smart agricultural practices that protect and preserve the environment through regenerative farming practices while empowering our community through information sharing and training. This Co-operative's vision is to produce quality agricultural products using regenerative farming, that reduce greenhouse gas carbon emissions, to add value and adopt marketing innovations for multiple benefits.

Greenvines trains community members, school learners and other farmers in Agro ecology, where they learn about companion planting, soil preparation, mulching, tree planting and vermiculture. As a result, they have established two school gardens where learners grow vegetables that form part of the school nutrition program while they learn valuable agricultural skills. They have adopted the concept of Amalima, where a group of farmers work in someones garden in exchange for free labour.

20 women and youth from Misty Mount village formed part of Amalima and as a co-operative they assist them with access to tools and farming equipment and other inputs.

Through their hard work and dedication, they have managed to produce over 90 tons vegetables since inception, trained over 450 learners and community members in Agro ecology in 3 schools, created over 50 part time employment and 7 full time employment since 2022 and donated over 10 tons of vegetables to vulnerable community members and schools.

Greenvines has received industry recognition and media coverage through the following accolades:

- **National Youth Development Agency (NYDA):** Trailblazer awards 2023
- **Mail & Guardian: Power of women,** Harvesting women category 2023
- **Women Entrepreneur Awards 2023:** 1st place MEC Youth Special awards award (District level)

Media coverage:

- Daily Dispatch July 2023
- Nyandeni Local Municipality Newsletter - August 2023
- Daily Dispatch Unsang hero feature.
- Mthatha Express June 2024
- Mpuma Kapa Tv June 2024
- SABC channel 404 July 2024
- UMhlobo Wenene fm: Ezolimo show June 2024

Nyandeni Local Municipality takes it's hat off for this youth-led Co-operative for the role they are playing in the farming industry, this Co-operative has brought change impacting our people's lives in a positive manner, this why we continue support such projects.



From the left: Mr. N. Jokezela (DRDAR extension officer) Ms. N. Heje (DRDAR Manager- Nyandeni) Ms. A. Matinise (DRDAR Deputy Director- Nyandeni & Port St. Johns) along with Greenvines Co-Operative members



Ms N. Mlenzana receiving the keys to their brand new tractor



Some of their gardening work



Spinach and carrots from their garden



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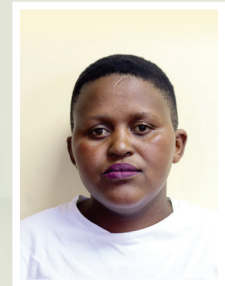
NEW Employees



Unathi Mboyi
SPU Clerk



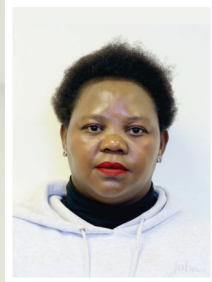
Bomkazi Yeko
Admin Public Safety Officer



Fikiswa Mqambayi Mandlulela
Office Cleaner



Onesimo Nonkwelo
(LED Clerk)



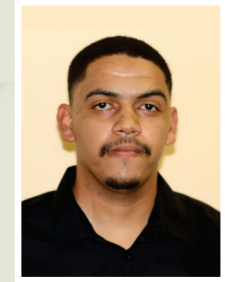
Siphokazi Dlanjwa
General Assistant
Waste & Removal



Thando Nomathole
GA Pound and Cemetery



Hlomendlini Simthembele
Superintendent Security



Jose Van Der Byl
SCM Clerk



Zama Mzini
Enatis Clerk



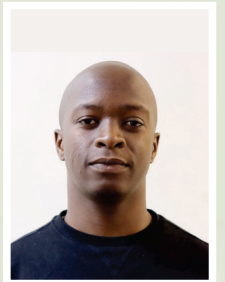
Zukiswa Nogaga Yoba
Building Technician



Odwa Mafa
Electric Intern



Lungile Nohaji
Landfill Site Plant Operator



Lwando Mcinga
EPWP Officer



Nkosiyabo Kotyana
Driver



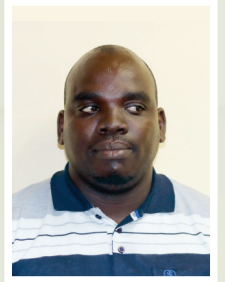
Mlulami Mathokazi
Landfill Machine



Morris Mzimbambi
Grader Operator



Melikhaya Nqokoto
GA Parks & Garden



Mlamli Ngxibi
Enatis Clerk



WHISTLE BLOWING

Nyandeni Local Municipality has adopted a culture of zero tolerance towards fraud corruption and other acts of dishonesty. In addition, all fraud and corruption will be investigated and followed up by the application of all remedies available with full extent of the law and the implementation of appropriate prevention and detection controls. The following are the activity of fraud and corruption and are but not limited to : Bribes, Illegal Gratuity, Extortion, Kickbacks, Collusion, Conflict, of interest, Favouritism , Abuse of power, insider Trading and Embezzlement. Other unethical conduct includes theft and misuse of Municipal vehicles, plant and any of the municipal assets.

AS A CONCERNED CITIZEN OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO REPORT ANY ACT OF THE ABOVE TO THE FOLLOWING CONTACT NUMBERS:

**NATIONAL
ANTI-CORRUPTION
HOTLINE
0800 701 701**

**PUBLIC
PROTECTION
0800 112 040**

**OPEN DEMOCRACY
CENTRE NUMBER
(ODAC)
0800 825 352**

To those who wish to raise their matters internally, we encourage the following:

- Option 1:** if you have a concern about malpractice, we hope you will feel free to raise it first with manager/supervisor. This may be done verbally or in writing.
- Option 2:** if you feel unable to raise the matter with the manager/supervisor, for whatever reason, please raise the matter with the internal auditors/risk management officer; please indicate if you wish to raise the matter in confidence so that appropriate arrangement can be made.
- Option 3:** if these channels have been followed and you still have concerns, or if you feel that, the matter is so serious that you cannot discuss it with any of the above, please contact the Municipal Manager at **047 555 5016**.
- Option 4:** if you feel that your concerns are still not heard, the matter can be referred to the Mayor and /or the Speaker.
- Option 5:** should you have exhausted these internal mechanism or where you have substantial reason to believe that there would be a cover-up that evidence will be destroyed or that the matter might not be handled properly, you may raise the matter in good faith with Chairperson of the Audit Committee, AGSA, and MPAC Chairperson.

whistleblower@nyandenilm.gov.za (Email is administered by the Audit Committee and Risk Management Chairperson-an external and independent body)



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