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YOUTH PROGRAMME TO FACILITATE JOURNEY TO ADULTHOOD



Over 100 youth from Kanana and Kgakala commenced a six-month development programme, to assist them to navigate their journey to adulthood.

They each engaged in a guided programme, which helped them to voice their frustrations and challenges that they face. The Asset Based Community Development sessions are tailored to inspire youth participants, who are given the skills to manage to find their own unique solutions.

The overall objective of this programme is to help them to access the life skills needed to navigate their journey to maturity as well as to give these youth the opportunity and access to information that is otherwise unavailable to them.

"We are all 100% behind this programme. It makes us think differently and gives us hope. We were mostly depressed, but now we are excited and hungry for more information and opportunities," said one of the participants.

SIX STEPS TO WASHING YOUR HANDS

The Department of Health recommends washing your hands with soap for 20 seconds, to help slow the spread of coronavirus.



Use soap



Rub palm to palm with fingers



Rub tips of fingers



Rub each wrist



Rinse your hands



Dry your hands

STAY SAFE

#CoronaVirus
www.nicd.ac.za
www.health.gov.za

South African COVID-19
Resource Portal:
www.sacoronavirus.co.za

BETTER LEARNING CENTRES FOR COMMUNITIES

Bokamoso Solar has kicked off its programme to improve infrastructure at fifteen local Early Childhood Development (ECD) centres, in its beneficiary communities.

The programme addresses the challenges faced by local ECD centres, to improve the standard, teaching and learning environment, so that children have a safer and much improved space that is more conducive to learning.

Local service providers will be used to carry out the necessary repairs and maintenance in the five ECD facilities in the Matlosana Local Municipality Kanana Community; and ten in the Maquassi Hill Local Municipality, Kgakala Community.

Basic learning material and other elements relating to childhood development are also addressed, which include educational toys and materials, as well as outside play equipment, all of which are essential for the holistic development of young children.



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE REWARDED



The top Grade 12 achievers from fifteen local high schools in the Maquassi Hills community, have been rewarded for their academic excellence. Each learner received a laptop, which was handed out at the Grade 12 Best Performer Excellence Awards ceremony.

This excellence programme was funded by Bokamoso Solar in partnership with the Department of Education for Matlosana and Maquassi Hills. As part of the solar project's economic development programme, the purpose of this awards event was to stimulate and honour academic achievements of matriculates, in schools in the local community.

Three educators were also recognised and awarded, each receiving e-tablets.

"We recognise and acknowledge that the matric class of 2020 had to manage unprecedented levels of stress and anxiety caused by the COVID-19 pandemic," said **Tshepo Kgoloane**, Community Operations Manager for Bokamoso Solar.

MEET OUR COMMUNITY OPERATIONS MANAGER



Tshepo Kgoloane is Bokamoso Solar's Community Operations Economic Development Manager, charged with leading the solar plant's economic development programmes that build social resilience and drive positive change. He is particularly passionate about youth development and education.

Tshepo sees the Bokamoso Solar youth programme as a way for this region to produce future leaders, which will help uplift surrounding communities.

"I am most excited about the impact of our Youth Development and Early Childhood Development programmes in our surrounding communities, as these initiatives can help to drive positive change for this generation and the future of the region."

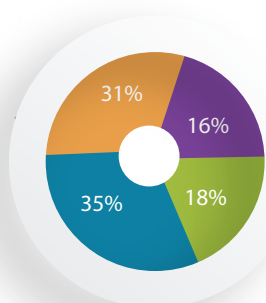


2021 UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Details of the next community engagements will be communicated on Bokamoso Solar's online platforms as no face-to-face meetings are permitted during the national lockdown.

QUARTERLY SPEND BREAKDOWN (Q1 2021)

- Health
- Education
- Welfare (0%)
- Enterprise Development
- Youth Skills Programme



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