

VALUABLE LIFE SKILLS FOR YOUTH



Over 100 youth from the communities of Kanana and Kgakala joined a six-month youth development programme, funded by Bokamos Solar, which aimed to provide them with the life skills needed to navigate their journey to adulthood.

Participants engaged in a guided programme, which helped them to voice frustrations and challenges that they face; provided them with valuable life skills and helped equip them to manage real life experiences.

They also took part in a business skills workshop, which included talks around managing a small business, finances, marketing and sales and preparing a business plan.

Here is what one of the participants, Bokang Innocent Golomane, had to say: "The workshop was awesome, I emerged with new knowledge this will definitely help me personally and in my future career.

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.













STAY SAFE #CoronaVirus

South African COVID-19 **Resource Portal:**

Rub palm to palm with fingers

Rub tips of fingers

Rub each wrist

Rince your hands

Dry your hands

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UPGRADES FOR LOCAL CRÈCHES

Bokamoso Solar has announced the launch of its programme to improve infrastructure at fifteen local Early Childhood Development (ECD) Centres.

The programme works towards addressing the challenges faced by the local crèches, to improve the standard, teaching and learning environment, so that children have a safer space that contributes to better learning.

Working with local service providers, crèches benefit from infrastructure repairs, and/or much-needed maintenance. In addition, educational toys and materials, as well as outside play equipment will also be funded. All of which are essential for the holistic development of young children.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL YOUTH



Boitumelo Pooe

Three students from communities within Maquassi Hills and Matlosana Local Municipality have been awarded scholarships, as beneficiaries of the Bokomoso Solar's Scholarship Fund.

All three are currently studying either engineering or education at tertiary institutions across the country, fully supported by this fund.

The scholarship fund, which launched in 2020, aims at providing opportunities to matriculants wishing to study at tertiary institutions.

"The scholarship has enabled me to further my studies and helped my family not to worry about my future. Without it, I wouldn't have been able to register. So qualifying was the best thing that could have happened to me," said Boitumelo Pooe, who is studying towards a B.ED Senior Phase, at the Free State University, as part of this Scholarship Fund.



DEVELOPING LOCAL ENTREPRENEURS



Thirty local small businesses, from Kanana and Kgakala are receiving training and support, as part of Bokomoso Solar's Enterprise Development programme. The programme equips entrepreneurs with the skills to operate and grow their businesses.

The 12-month programme kicked off with a Financial Literacy Summit, hosted by Africa's GotGame. The introductory workshop provided SMMEs with foundational information on ensuring the sustainability of their business.

Sebetso Job Lebakeng owner of Lebakeng (Pty) Ltd, whose business is focused on construction and farming said the following about the Summit: "The workshop helped me to be more focused and really helped build my self-esteem. My goal is to have a sustainable business and to be one of the leading SMMEs around my area."

We are also excited to announce that an Enterprise Development Hub is being set up, as part of Bokamoso Solar's Enterprise Development strategy, which aims to provide local small-business owners with skills, training and mentorship.

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.

