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Rhode Beneficiary Poses Infront of Her New RDP Home

RURAL HOUSING PROJECT BENEFITS MORE THAN 700 FAMILIES AT UMZIMVUBU

BY KHANYA KALASHE

The Eastern Cape MEC for Human Settlements, Nonkqubela Pieters, handed over 24 houses in Mount Ayliff on the 4th June 2020. This is part of the 'Rhode 1000 Rural Housing Project' that has seen a sum of 736 households being completed in the area.

Umzimvubu Mayor, Cllr Sobane Mnu kwa accompanied the MEC during the ceremonious handover and encouraged local residents to safe guard their newly built structures. "As our country continues to observe the COVID-19 nation-wide lockdown,

we remain committed in serving our local residents within Umzimvubu." said Umzimvubu Mayor. "This is one of many initiatives that we will embark on to ensure that we implement the local citizenry mandate. I urge all beneficiaries to embrace and safe guard their new

homes." concluded Mayor Mnuakwa. A local beneficiary, Nonzwakazi Nyembezi, expressed excitement when she received keys to her new home. "I am happy with what government has done for me today. I really hope that more villagers will get to experience my happiness" she concluded. More households are expected to be completed during the course of the upcoming 2020/2021 Financial Year.



Human Settlement MEC, Hnr Nonkqubela Pieters and Umzimvubu Mayor Cllr Sobane Mnuakwa hand over keys to Rhode Beneficiary

UMZIMVUBU HOSTS A DIGITAL IDP AND BUDGET CONSULTATIVE PROGRAMME FOR 2020/21 FY

BY KHANYA KALASHE

Umzimvubu Local Municipality hosted a digital IDP and Budget consultative programme on three local community radio stations on the 13th May 2020. Due to the nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, the municipality ventured into digital mediums to appease all mandatory public consultative processes.

A link-in transmission approach was done to connect three community radio stations the Alfred Nzo Community Radio, Inkonjane Community Radio and the Voice of Matat FM from on the afternoon of the 13 May 2020 between 16:00pm - 18:00pm. The community was further engaged online where the session streamed live on the official Municipal Facebook Page.

This mandatory integrated development plan and budget outreach programme is a process through which municipalities prepare a strategic development plan. This then guides and informs all planning, budgeting, management and decision-making processes in the municipality.

"The main aim of the outreach is to table the service delivery progress report on what government has done for its people as well as programmes that are in the pipeline hence I urge the community to participate in the programme" said Umzimvubu Mayor, Councillor Sobane Mnuakwa.

Local residents had an opportunity to comment on the developmental programme of the municipality as contained in the IDP and budget for the next financial year.



UMZIMVUBU INSTALLS WI-FI ACCESS POINTS ACROSS KWABHACA

BY NAMHLA MAGADA

As the global pandemic continues to soar through the district, Umzimvubu Local Municipality has installed Wi-Fi Access Points throughout KwaBhaca. "The global pandemic has had a technological effect on most municipal operations and this has also seen municipal meetings being conducted virtually" said Umzimvubu Municipal Manager, Mr Tobela Nota. "The 4th Industrial Revolution is upon us and this is an opportunity for all

residents to be connected and fully explore the benefits of new media and technology" concluded Nota. The hotspot areas are situated as follows: Standard Bank, Municipal Front Gate (N2), BeeGee Taxi Rank and the KwaBhaca Bus Stop. The hotspot areas have a minimum of a 100 metre radius and are all located in KwaBhaca. The username and password of these access points are as follows:
WIFI Name - Umzimvubu Free Public WIFI
Password - umzimvubu@2020

"Umzimvubu Local Municipality strives to ensure that all local residents benefit from the opportunities presented before them. The municipality also prides itself in the slogan, "Uphuhliso Kumntu Wonke" a slogan that is inclusive of all residents. The installation of these access points is one of many 4IR projects to come" said Umzimvubu Mayor Councillor Sobane Mnuakwa.



UMASIPALA WASEMZIMVUBU KUNYE NOSASSA BANIKEZELA NGEEPASELA ZOKUTYA

BY NAMHLA MAGADA | NANDIPHA XANGAYI

Umasipala waseMzimvubu ebambisene noSASSA bathe banikezela ngeepasela zokutya kumakhaya angama-500 ngomhla we-16 April 2020. Eli phulo lilandela emva kokuba umongameli weli uMnu Cyril Ramaphasa ethe wamisela ukumiswa ngxi kwentshukumo kuzwelonke emva kokuqhambuka kwentsholongwane ICOVID-19. Ezipasela zokutya zinikezelwe kubahlali bakwaBhaca kwakunye nabaseMaXesibeni. Oku

kujongene ncasasana nokuncedisana nabo abangakwazi ukususa ikati eziko kuba kuvale indawo zempangelo ngenxa yemimiselo eza nokumiswa kweentshukumo (Lockdown). "Oku kukuncedisa nje kwethutyana nalapho urhulumente ethi afake isandla kwiintsapho ezithile ngokuyaphantsi kwempumlo. lipasela ezi-13 kwiWadi nganye kuMzimvubu uphela zithe zanikezelwa namhlanje kwaye nakwiveki elandelayo sizakuqhubeleka sinikezele kwabo baselungelweni

lokuxhamla." Uphefumle watsho usodolophu waseMzimvubu, Cllr SK MnuKwa.



YOUTH MONTH MESSAGE

PITCH

"Today I have a message for young people: You are not invincible, this virus could put you in hospital for weeks or even kill you. Even if you don't get sick the choices you make about where you go could be the difference between life and death for someone else"

DJ Pitch - Alfred Nzo Community Radio Presenter

USODOLOPHU WOMASIPALA WASEKUHLALANI UMZIMVUBU UZELE YIMINCILI NOMBULELO EMVENI KOKUBONA INKXASO EYE YATHI TYE ISUKA KUBANIKELI BASEKUHLALANI

NANDIPHA XANGAYI

Ngomhla weshumi elinesibhozo kwinyanga kaTshazimpuzi kwakulonyaka umiyo: uSodolophu womasipala wasekuhlaleni Umzimvubu uCeba Sobane MnuKwa wenza ilizwi lombulelo kubaxhasi nabanikeli basekuhlaleni, oku ukwenze xa kanye enikezela ngeepasela zokutya kumaphandle ilubaleko nekwidolophu yamaXesibe. Oku kulandela omnye umnikelo ubusaya kwenziwa kwaBhaca kubantu abangaphaya kwamashumi amabini.

"Sinemincili kukubona iinkampani eziye zeza ngaphambili xasihlaba ikhwelo lokunceda uluntu olusemngciphekweni kulentsindabadala yovalelo esiphantsi kwayo sililizwe. Ngokuncediswa ngooCeba sikwazile ukuchonga amakhaya angamashumi amabini atsho afumana umnikelo wokutya. Sikwacela ukuba ningapheli mandla mawethu koko nithi gqolo ukusondela neminikelo yenu ukuze siwulwe sonke sibambisene lo bhubhane." utshilo uSodolophu.

Umhlali waseLubaleko uvakalise wathi, "Ndihlala nomakhulu wam onempilo engentlanga kwaphela. Ikhaya lonke lilinde kum ukuze kubenesonka etafileni, ngoku ngenxa yalobhubhane andisakwazi nditsho nokuya ndiyocholachola iintwana ntwana oko kuquka ukutya. Ndivuye kakhulu yaye esisenzo sindishiye ndithobekile, ndinombulelo ongazenzisiyo," ugqibalise watsho.

"Ndihlaba ikhwelo kwaye ndikwakhuthaza abanye oosomashishini kwakunye neenkampani zasekuhlaleni ukuba zilandele ekhondweni, zincipisane norhulumente ukulwa lobhubhane," uphefumle watsho omnye wabanikeli. Umasipala uyaqhuba nokuquzelela ukusatyelwa kwemiqathango emisiweyo phantsi kovalelo, ekwacinzelela ukuba abahlali bamise iintlangano bahlale ekhaya.

UMZIMVUBU MAYOR WELCOMED FOOD PARCEL DONATIONS FROM THE EASTERN CAPE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN KWABHACA.



BY KHANYA KALASHE

On the 24th April 2020; Umzimvubu Mayor Cllr Sobane Mnu kwa expressed sincere gratitude towards the Eastern Cape Chamber of Commerce - Mount Frere Branch, when he welcomed food parcel donations in KwaBhaca. This is one of many food parcel donations that have been received by the municipality during the month of April.

"We are pleased that a number of companies continue to come forward in an effort to provide social relief to our people. More than 30 households were identified to receive the

donated food packages. We continue to encourage more local businesses to come forth and help fight this pandemic" said Umzimvubu Mayor.

The Eastern Cape Chamber of Commerce - Mount Frere Branch represented by Mr Mawande Mpti also encouraged businesses to follow suite. "I urge and encourage all local businesses to work together with our government in fighting this pandemic. The reality is that small businesses have taken a hard knock during this period and unfortunately their families need to be fed. This is our small contribution towards alleviating the impact of this virus" concluded Mpti. The municipality continues to advocate

for compliance during this period and pleads with residents to avoid public gatherings and to remain safe.



UMPHATHISWA WESEBE LEMISEBENZI YOLUNTU EMPUMAKOLONI UTYELELE UMZIMVUBU

BY NANDIPHA XANGAYI

Kwiphulo lokuqinisekisa ukuba sikulungele siliphondo ukulwa nentsholongwane ehlasela ilizwe iCovid-19 umphathiswa kwiSebe leMisebenzi Yoluntu (Department of Public Works) uMnu. Babalo Madikizela ephelkwe nguSodolophu woMzimvubu uCllr S. Mnu kwa batyelele izibhedlele iMadzikane KaZulu kunye ne Mt Ayliff Hospital ngomhla we 24/04/2020.

"Injongo zolutyelelo kukuqinisekisa ukuba izibhedlela zethu ngokwezakhiwo ngenene zikulungele ukumelana kwakunye nokwamkela ubuninzi bezigulana ngelishesha lalentsholongwana". Uchaze watsho uMnu Madikizela.

Njengoko amanani abo basulelekileyo athe gqolo ukunyuka kweliphondo leMpuma Koloni, urhulumente umisela zonke iindlela ezincedisana nokulwa lobhubhane, nokuqinisekisa ukufumaneka kwamagumbi abo bayakuthi bagcinwe bucala kuba bosulelekile.

"iMadzikane kaZulu sisibhedlela sesithili kwaye sijongene nomthamo omkhulu kakhulu wabantu abangenayo umhla nezolo ngoko ke isakhiwo esongezelweyo se-Quarantine sizokubancedisa kakhulu abantu base-Alfred Nzo". Uphefumle watsho okaMnu kwa ngethuba ebulala urhulumente wephondo ngokutyelala izibhedlela zaseMzimvubu.





IF YOU HAVE COVID-19, HOW SHOULD YOU ISOLATE?

- Separate yourself from other people in your home, in a well-ventilated bedroom.
- Your family should not stay or sleep in the same room as you.
- Use a separate bathroom.
- If you have to share a bathroom, clean after every use.
- Avoid sharing items and the same spaces with other people and clean surfaces often.
- Stay at least 1.5 metres (3 steps) away from other people in the home.
- Wear facemasks to help prevent the spread of the disease to others.
- Cough or sneeze into the fold of your elbow. Alternatively, cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze and dispose of tissue in a dedicated bin.
- Clean your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or with alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains 60-95% alcohol.



LOCAL DONOR DONATES MORE THAN 1500 FACE MASKS TO LOCAL DISADVANTAGED RESIDENTS AT UMZIMVUBU



BY NAMHLA MAGADA & BABALWA MAKHALIMA

A local donor in Umzimvubu has donated more than 1500 face masks for local disadvantaged residents in the area. The initiative follows the pronouncement made by the President for a nationwide lockdown amidst the Covid-19 pandemic. On the 8th May 2020, Umzimvubu Mayor Cllr Sobane Mnkwa, began the handover process and provided the residents of Ward 16 at KwaBhaca with 150 facemasks. The handover process proceeded to wards 17, 18, 27, 15, 10 and ward 12 where 150 facial mask were handed over in each ward.

"The commitment to serve our communities has never been more important as we collectively navigate the unprecedented challenges posed by this global pandemic.

The Covid-19 pandemic is affecting communities quite harshly, with some losing jobs and sources of income," said Umzimvubu Mayor.

"I'm humbled by the gesture demonstrated by our local donors towards the struggle

against this virus. Indeed a new world order is upon us and we ought to embrace the new changes that come with it. These facial masks also come with new trading opportunities for ordinary skilled residents with less income during this period. I encourage more residents to equip themselves with this skill and make a difference in our society," concluded Umzimvubu Mayor.

As the global pandemic continues to soar through the vulnerable areas in the district, Umzimvubu continues to encourage local residents to stay at home and flatten the further spread of the novel coronavirus.

UMZIMVUBU UTHINTELA ICOVID-19 ERENKINI

BY NANDIPHA XANGAYI

Oku kusemva kokuba ngomhla we-07 April 2020 umphathiswa wezothutho eMpuma Koloni uWeziwe Tikane-Cxothiwe ethe waphehlelela inkqubo yokufefa iindawo zikawonke-wonke ngezibulali zintsholongwane KwaBhaca. Umasipala waseMzimvubu uyenze uxanduva lwakhe into yokuqinisekisa ukufumaneka kwezibulali zintsholongwane kwiirenki zalomasipala.

Ngomhla we-08 April 2020 bekhokhelwe nguusodolophu waseMzimvubu uCllr Sobane Mnkwa, icandelo loonotaxi, oocaba kunye namagosa akwamasipala baye bathi

bhazalala kwidolophu yaKwaBhaca befefa ngamachiza okubulala iintsholongwane.

Le nkqubo iqale kwirenki yaseBeeGee, kwadlulelwa nakwezinye irenki zakwaBhaca nalopho kuthe kwacocwa ngamachiza abulala iintsholongwane kwiitekisi ezingaphezulu kwekhulu "Sidibene noonotekisi eBeeGee nalapho sithe sabafundisa ngeendlela zokuthintela iCOVID19, sibaxelela kakhulu ngokubaluleka kokugcina umsantsa phakathi kwabanye abantu (social distance) kwakunye nokulandela imiqathango yokulayisha

nokuhambela amaphondo. Izixhobo zokuzikhusela ezinjenge gloves, izifonyo nezinye sithe sazishiya kwitekisi nganye ukuze bakwazi ukuqhubeka bebulala iintsholongwane xa ifika na xa sele iphuma itekisi erenkini. Le yenye yeendlela zokuncedisana noonotekisi ukubagcina beyilandela imithetho nemiqathango emiselwe lisebe lezothutho ngexesha le-lockdown". Oku kutshiwo ngusodolophu Cllr Mnkwa.

amanye uNdimiso Honono (64) nongusihlalo kwiqumrhu lamateksi Uncedo Service Association uvakalise imincili ekwamqhwabela izandla umasipala ngelinyathelo esithi kwiminyaka yakhe esibhozo (8) eserenkini uyaqala ukuziva ekhathalelekile ekwaqhube wahlaba ikhwelo nakwamanye amaqumrhu ingakumbi asebenza ngabantu ukuba ugcine ezondawo zikhuselekile kwaye bangoyiki ukucela uncedo xa kukhona imfuneko.



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WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE UNEMPLOYMENT GRANT?

What is the Qualifying Criteria for the Special Covid-19 Social Relief of Distress Grant?

- South African Citizen, Permanent Resident or Refugee registered on the Home Affairs database
- Residing within the borders of the Republic of South Africa;
- Above the age of 18;
- Unemployed;
- Not receiving any social grant;
- Not receiving unemployment insurance benefit and does not qualify to receive unemployment insurance benefit;
- Not receiving a stipend from the National Student Financial Aid Scheme;
- Not in receipt of any other government COVID-19 response support; and
- Not a resident in a government funded or subsidised institution.

What do I need to apply?

- Identity Number/Department of Home Affairs Refugee permit number;
- Name and Surname as captured in the ID (and initials);
- Gender and Disability;
- Contact details - Cell phone number;
- Residential Address
- No hard copies required and no attachment required

How do I apply - Application Channels?

- USSD number: *134*7737#
- Email: srd@sassa.gov.za
- Website: <https://srd.sassa.gov.za>

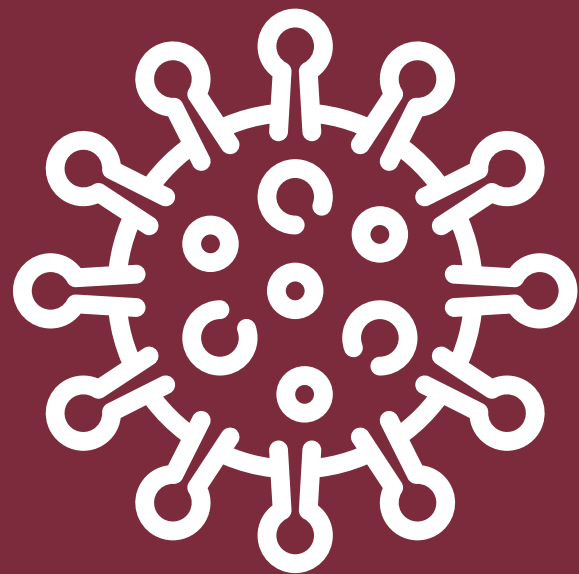
Does the submission of my application imply that approval is guaranteed?

- Applicants should be advised that not all applications will be approved.
- All grants recipients including the CSG beneficiaries don't qualify. Table



WHAT ARE COVID-19 SYMPTOMS?

- Fever
- New continuous cough
- Shortness of breath
- Tiredness
- Muscle aches
- Headaches
- Sore throat
- Loss of taste/smell
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhoea



IF YOU ARE DIAGNOSED WITH COVID-19 OR IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS BUT CANNOT GET TESTED - WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

- Do stay at home for 14 days
- Do stay calm
- Do ensure you have family members on hand who can help you to get shopping and things you may need
- Do keep connected to people you care about by phone and video calls
- Do not go to work
- Do not use public transport
- Do not go to public places