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EPWP TOURISM SAFETY MONITORS IN MPUMALANGA RECEIVE TRAINING

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The Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) Participants working as Tourism Safety Monitor (TSM) in Mpumalanga have received training in Tourism Guide. The training is, accredited by the Culture, Arts, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport Sector Education and Training Authority (Cathsseta) and is funded by EPWP through the National Skills Fund (NSF) at NQF level 5.

The six Participants placed at the Samora Machel Monument and Museum in Mbuzini in Nelspruit execute a range of activities including providing vital information to tourists who visit the area. The Participants also work with the local police to ensure the safety of the tourists.

The Tourism Safety Monitor (TSM) is one of the EPWP Social Sector projects and is implemented by various public entities in Mpumalanga including the provincial Department of Community Safety, Security and Liaison (DCSSL).

The Participants were recruited from various district municipalities such as Gert Sibande, Ehlanzeni and Nkangala.

Testimonials from the participant

The 43-years-old Makhosini Kubhayi has been in the Programme since 2010. Kubhayi, who comes from Mbuzini near Nelspruit, said "I love my work because it gives me an opportunity to interact with people from all over the world who visit our Province. Being part of the EPWP has changed my life for the better."

Through this Programme, I have recently completed a computer literacy course and I am certain that the skills that I have acquired will stand me a better chance to find work when I exit the programme."



Upcoming events

- Profiling of the Non-State Sector project (Itekeng Disabled and OVC Centre) in Ficksburg, Free State - 01 February 2019.
- Profiling of the Non-State Sector project in Inkwanca, Queenstown, Eastern Cape -04 February 2019.
- Pre-State of the Nations Address Career Exhibition at Unitas Secondary School, Welkom, Free State - 07 February 2019.
- EPWP Strategic planning session in Gauteng, 06 - 08 February 2019.

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EPWP PARTICIPANTS CARE FOR CHILDREN AT ITHUTENG PRE-SCHOOL IN MPUMALANGA

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A total of 50 Expanded Public Works (EPWP) participants play a vital role in the care of children who are attending at Ithuseng Pre-school in Kwa-Guqa in Mpumalanga. These EPWP Participants are part of an EPWP project that is administered by the Independent Development Trust (IDT).

The Participants execute a range of activities at the pre-school such as teaching, playing with the children, cooking and conducting the general upkeep of the facility.

"We have over 100 children at our school and the placement of the participants at this Early Childhood Development Centre have assisting us a lot to care for the children," the Principal at the school Grace Mahlalela said.

One Participant- Nqobile Dlamini- said being part of the EPWP has given her a range of skills that she can use to find work once the project she is part of comes to an end.

"I studied Office Management at Tshwane University of Technology and after completing I battled to find work because many organizations want experience from prospective employees. I can safely say that working here has given me that experience that I needed to find work in the formal sector."

She added that part of her work at the pre-school included teaching basic computer skills to the children and assisting in general administrative work.



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