





### VKLM MAYOR CONTINUES TO DONATE SCHOOL UNIFORMS





The Mayor of Victor Khanye Local Municipality (VKLM), KV Buda, has recently contributed 20 pairs of school shoes to the students of Mdumiseni Primary School. This act is a continuation of the mayoral program that provides school uniforms to disadvantaged students across VKLM. "We urge councillors, VKLM employees, ward committee members and society at large to support this initiative. No child in our municipality should face the severe weather conditions without shoes and a jersey," he stated



### Mandela Day: In remembrance of Nelson Mandela by dedicating 67 minutes



In a vibrant demonstration of community solidarity and commitment to environmental care, the department of health and the campaign joined forces, taking to the streets of the complex today for an extensive clean-up operation. As a component of the Mandela Day 2024 festivities, this endeavour united residents, businesses, community groups, and government representatives who devoted their 67 minutes to painting the school, paying tribute to the elders, and donating blankets.







#### **YOUTH IMBIZO**



On Wednesday, 22 May 2024, the Youth Imbizo was held at Sinethemba Hall, where distinguished guests were invited to engage with the youth of Victor Khanye Municipality to discuss networking and career opportunities. The event was spearheaded by VKLM's Youth Manager, Prince Mahlangu, and featured guest speakers like Sipho Mahamba from Endumbeni Art and Culture, Thokozile Magubane from Eskom Information Hub, Mlungisi Sibanyoni from VKLM's Supply Chain, Tumelo Segone from VKLM Sports, Tumelo Rashokeng from SEDA, and Patrick Ngoma, an educator at Phaphamani Secondary School. The session commenced with the speakers presenting their daily roles and contributions in their respective fields. This was followed by a Q&A session where many young attendees actively participated. The Imbizo significantly impacted the youth's awareness in Victor Khanye. The Youth Manager also mentioned that feedback on the questions posed to the speakers would be provided towards the year's end.





#### IDP/BUDGET INDABA FOR 2024/2025 FY



On 23 May 2024, the Municipality convened a budget indaba to discuss strategies for enhanced service delivery. The IDP budget indaba, presided over by VKLM Speaker H Ngoma, tackled various issues affecting municipal service delivery and revenue. The Mayor highlighted that the Municipality serves roughly 106,000 residents and faces a 34% unemployment rate. The Municipality reportedly collects 72% of its revenue income. For effective service delivery, it is necessary for around 34,000 households to pay for services. Presently, the Municipality is grappling with financial difficulties, including debts owed to Rand Water and ESKOM. The IDP manager and the CFO intend to initiate discussions with mining houses and businesses within the municipality's jurisdiction, as stated by Hon Mayor KV Buda. The VKLM budget presentation is available at www.vklm.gov.za



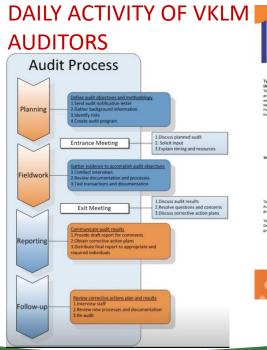


### VICTOR KHANYE CHILD PROTECTION



The Victor Khanye Local Municipality marked the end of Child Protection Week with a closing ceremony under the theme "Know your Rights and Responsibilities" at the Ext 3 Community Hall on Tuesday, June 4, 2024. Orchestrated by the Transversal Office, the event engaged over 150 students via the Department of Education, focusing on schools most impacted by bullying. The ceremony represented a joint endeavour among various entities, including the Department of Health, the Department of Social Development, Boikemisetso Child Care, the South African National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependency (SANCA), Community Development Workers, Mental Health, Men's Forum, and the Nkangala District Municipality. The schools identified with the highest occurrences of bullying were Mdumiseni Primary School, Sizuzile Primary School, and Phaphamani Secondary School.









#### MATRIC EMPOWERMENT



On the 18th of June, the youth office conducted the Matric Empowerment educational program as a part of their Youth Day celebration, highlighting the significance of education. The program's objectives were manifold: firstly, to inspire matriculants to excel in their final exams and follow their educational aspirations; secondly, to offer support and guidance during a pivotal stage of their academic lives; thirdly, to instill confidence in matriculants to fulfill their academic potential. Additionally, the initiative aimed to present positive role models and mentors for the youth to emulate, thereby investing in the community's future. The Youth Unit also sought to motivate the class of 2024 to intensify their efforts and concentrate on their studies. Furthermore, the program raised awareness among learners about the perils of an unhealthy lifestyle and its potential to distract. It addressed the issue of young people partaking in detrimental social activities, including substance abuse, excessive socializing, sexual activities, and overuse of social media. The program emphasized the necessity of moral regeneration.





## VKLM DELMAS DEVELOPMENT ENGAGEMENT

On Friday, June 21, 2024, the Delmas development initiative led by VKLM Speaker Hendry Ngoma proved to be successful, with the town's prominent entrepreneur planting the seeds of progress. The goal of this initiative is to unite a significant number of ambitious business people to collaborate on the town's development. The Speaker emphasized that entrepreneurs pooling their resources could make a substantial impact on the town. This effort is designed to support the municipality in areas where it is resource-deficient. Businessman Celso from Pick N Pay mentioned that the establishment of a McDonald's franchise would create approximately 150 jobs for the community, stimulate the economy, and urged the municipality to process his application to proceed with building the franchise.







### OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE VICTOR KHANYE LOCAL TOURISM ORGANISATION.



The Department of Economic Development and Tourism, in collaboration with the Victor Khanye Local Municipality, hosted a Tourism Stakeholder Consultation Session at the Victor Khanye Local Municipality Council Chambers on 26 July 2024. As stewards of tourism in the province, the session aimed to disseminate crucial information and provide context for the development of the Victor Khanye Local Municipality Tourism Plans, which are expected to yield positive economic impacts for the residents of the Victor Khanye Local Municipality and the broader province. Subsequently, the day also marked the official inauguration of the Victor Khanye Local Tourism Organisation.





# HIV & AIDS HEALTH AWARENESS CAMPAIGN



On Thursday, June 27, 2024, the Transversal Unit held an HIV and AIDS awareness campaign at Ext 5 Hall in Delmas. The event was spearheaded by Cllr BD Yeko and supported by ward Cllr L.E Lebatse. The Department of Health was among the speakers, educating attendees about the illness that has affected many worldwide. They provided extensive information on prevention methods and contraceptives to avoid infection. A candlelight vigil was held in honour of those impacted by HIV and AIDS. The government urged individuals to seek treatment and take measures to prevent the spread of the virus.



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