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Its smiles all the way for the owners of the Leratong Bakery cooperative which received assistance from the Department of Social Development and the National Development Agency.

Baking loaves of success

KITCHEN QUEENS have kneaded, shaped and baked a livelihood for themselves, with a little help from government and their supportive community.



Agricultural allies enjoy abundant returns

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Ordinary shack turned into luxury spa Page 9



Galoome Shopane

ver two decades households.

jwa Nkone.

plies nine crèches around their success and sustaina- what we do as they love our Qwaqwa, as well as private bility came from the support baked goods." that they received from their

Nkone explained that they

ago, a group of women from Qwaqwa in the Free State put on their aprons, got out the flour and mixed up a better future for themselves.

The Leratong Bakery co-operative was started by nine women. Sadly, five of the original members have passed away but the remaining four have not only been able to put bread on the table but have created a strong sisterly bond. Leratong Bakery sup"Everything we do was community.

"Our relationship with self-taught and we have community members is very worked very hard," said co-operative member Ntsegood; they have supported our products and have Nkone said that part of encouraged us to continue

received funding from the Department of Social Development that enabled them to purchase three stoves,



"And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same."

Nelson Mandela





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Nyambedzano vhukati ha vhanna: Ivhani munna mutukana wanga

usi *Tshepo Mofokeng a na miṅwaha ya 10, o tou zwi vhona nga maṭo musi khaladzi awe muhulwane wa miṅwaha ha 17 a tshi khou tzhipiwa.

Musi mupondi o ditamaho o vhudza kutukana uri ku lale fhasi ku sa lavhelese zwine a khou ita, ku kha di pfa mukosi wa khaladzi yakwo na zwino.

Nga murahu ha u vha tasela, munna o do vha nea ndaela vhuvhili havho uri vha gidime vha sa sedzi murahu. Musi vhe ndilani ya u ya hayani vha tshi khou pfa vhutungu, khaladzi awe o do mu anisa uri a songo vhuya a vuwa o vhudza muthu nga ha u tzhipiwa. Mofokeng o do ima kha ipfi lawe la u sa vhudza muthu nga zwo bvelelaho fhedzi tshiphiri tsho do mu ita uri a vhe na vengo.

"Musi ndi tshi khou aluwa, ndo vha ndi tshi mu vhona mutzhipi henefha Katlehong zwe zwa tou nanisa mbiti dzanga. Ndo vha ndi tshi kundelwa u tanganedza uri ha ngo gwevhelwa zwiito zwawe."

Musi o no aluwa, o no vha muthanngana are na maanda, Mofokeng o swika he a vha a si tsha kona u kutela vengo lawe, a fhedza a tshi vho rwa mupondi we a tzhipa khaladzi yawe musi a tshi tangana nae. A shanduka u bva kha u vha nwana o lugaho are na mulalo a vho vha muswa o sinyuwaho.

Zwithu zwivhili zwe zwa phulusa Mofokeng kha ndila dzawe dza khakhathi. Tsha u thoma, o vha o shudufhadzwa nga u vha na khotsi na mukomana wawe vhe vha vha vha tshi divha uri khakhathi a si yone phindulo naho vho vha vha sa divhi uri ndi ngani Mofokeng a na zwiito zwo bvaho, vho do kona u mu vhuisa ndila yo fanelaho. Tshavhuvhili ho vha thusedzo ya pholisa la raliwei we a vhona thaselo ya u fhedzisela nga Mofokeng a tshi khou rwa mutzhipi wa khaladzi awe a mu

vunda mulenzhe. Fhedzi musi Mofokeng a tshi talutshedza pholisa la raliwei zwe munna uyu a ita minwahani yo fhiraho yothe, vho do dzhia tsheo ya u sa fara muthanngana vha tou mu kaidza na u litsha a tuwa. Mutzhipi o do hwalelwa sibadela fhedzi a si vhige mulandu.

Thaselo kha vhafumakadzi dzi kha di vha zwithu zwo doweleaho, fhedzi, Mofokeng zwo vha zwi tshi mu vhilaedza vhukuma. Musi e mutshudeni wa Pretoria Technikon, o do thusa kha u thoma kilabu ya u tsivhudza vhanna nga ha vhudifhinduleli havho tshi-tshavhani nahone nga 2004, o do nwalisa Tshigwada tsha *South African Men's Action Group* (SAMAG) sa dzangano li si la muvhuso.

Namusi, SAMAG tshi na vhashumi vha tshothe vha 10 na u vha na madavhi ngei Gauteng, Free State, Devhula Vhukovhela, Limpopo na Mpumalanga. Tsho diimisela u tutuwedza tshanduko ya matshilisano.



Mulaedza watsho muhulwane ndi 'Vhanna vha vhukuma a vha tambudzi vhafumakadzi'. "Vhukuma' zwi amba u vha na Vhudifhinduleli, u vha na Ndivho, U vha tsumbo yavhudi na u vha na Lufuno, "o ralo Mofokeng.

"Vhunzhi ha vhanna vho ţuţuwedzwa nga mvelele ya uri vhathu vha tshinna ndi vhone vharangaphanda na u vha na maanda u fhira vhathu vha tshifumakadzi.' Vho rwiwa vha tshe vhana nahone a vha vhoni uri ndi ngani vha sa tei u alusa vhana vhavho nga maitele aneo a fanaho. Kha mvelele nnzhi, vhanna ndi vhone vha langaho ngeno vhafumakadzi vha tshi dzhiwa vha kha levele nthihi na vhana, ngauralo zwi a ţanganedzea u vha kaidza nga ndila i fanaho," o ralo Mofokeng. Muṅwe na muṅwe u na

mushumo une a tea u ita kha u shandukisa kuhumbulele, o ralo Mofokeng.

U fhulufhela uri vhana vha tea u aluswa hu si na u sedza mbeu nga sia lithihi. Vha fanela u dzhiwa sa vhana vhudzulo ha vhatukana na vhasidzana nahone vhokhotsi vha fanela u tamba tshipida tshihulwane kha matshilo a vhana vhavho.

Vha nga kwama SAMAG kha: 011 022 9007.

*Tshepo Mofokeng a si dzina lawe la vhukuma.



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a dough mixer, bread slicer, ingredients and allowed them to do some marketing.

"The process was not that difficult and we did not wait a long time. We just went for an interview and we made it," explained Nkone.

The women received further assistance from the National Development Agency (NDA) which trained them in management and operations. The NDA also donated a minivan for deliveries. This all amounted to funding worth identify their challenges and put together action plans to deal with these challenges.

With the assistance of the NDA the Leratong Bakery has definitely implemented their plan of action by moving their business to new heights and creating jobs.

The bakery has made a name for itsself and are famous for the freshest bakes in town.

Nkone said she is proud of the business's longevity and now wants to incorporate more people into their bakery.

"I hope that the co-operative will grow even bigger so that we can take on and serve more people," she said. Nkone and her partners hope to infiltrate the market further by supplying local supermarkets with their bread and buns.

about R900 000.

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Mukhukhu zwawo wo shandukiswa wa vha spa tsha maimo a ntha

Vho Nonkululeko Mathebula

haini Masakane o diitela dzina nga u shandukisa mukhukhu wa vha spa tsha lunako.

U bva Botshabelo ngei Free State nga vhudzulo, bindu Jawe Jine Ja pfi, *Victory Body and Nail Studio*, Ji khou aluwa nga luvhilo luhulu nahone Ji khou kunga vhathu u bva kha masia othe vhane vha da u netuluswa na u nakiswa mivhilini yavho.

U rengisa *Tupperware* hawe a na miṅwaha ya 19, mufumakadzi wa miṅwaha ya 28 o ri o vha a tshi dzulela u vha na vhudugambilu ha u vha na bindu lawe ene mune nahone o takala uri o dzhena kha lwendo ulu.

"Ndo thoma nga u shumela -munwe muthu kha ndowe tshumo iyi, ndi hone he nda kona u wana tshenzhemo," a amba ngauralo, a dadzisa nga uri o gudela u vha *cosmetologist* kha Motheo TVET College ngei Bloemfontein.

Mafheleloni o do vhona zwo tea uri a yo thoma lawe bindu nahone u bva zwenezwo ha ngo tsha dovha a sedza murahu. Bindu lawe li vala tshikhala tsha makete ngei Bo-



tshabelo nahone tshivhalo tsha khasitama dzi mu tikedzaho misi yothe tshi khou aluwa. U netshedza tshumelo dza u nakisa nala dza zwandani (*manicures*), u nakisa nala dza zwikunwe (*pedicures*), u tsidulula misipha (*massages*), u bvisa mahaha a sa todeiho (*waxing*) na u kunakisa na u nakisa tshifhatuwo (*facials*).

Zwifanyiso zwine a posa kha midia wa matshilisano zwa spa tsha u naka mukhukhuni zwo do phadaladzwa zwenezwino u mona hothe, vhathu vha tshi khou khoda vhutumbuli ha Masakane na uri u tou vha tshitutuwedzi kha vhananyana vha lokhesheni.

Kha mukhukhu wo fhați-

waho nga mazennge maswa a penyaho u vhonalaho sa mukhukhu zwawo nga nnda, spa nga ngomu ndi tsha maimo a ntha o lugelaho u netulusa na u nakisa vhathu. "Mahumbulwa ane nda a wana vhathuni o mangadza nga maanda. Ndi kha di vha ndo akhamala vhukuma. Ndi a ditukufhadza nga thikhedzo yavhudi ye nda i wana u bva kha tshitshavha tsha hashu na vhathu vha bvaho nnda ha Free State."

Masakane ndi tsiwana nahone o aluswa nga mmane wawe vhe vha vha vha na bindu la dzikhuhu na u rengisa malegere, khekhe na nduhu: tsumbedziso ya uri zwa mabindu zwi kha muta wothe.

"Muloro wanga muhulwane ndi u toda u vhona bindu langa li tshi aluwa la vha lihulwanesa hune la do kona u sikela mishumo vhathu vha si naho mushumo na u netshedza vhathu vhaswa fulufhelo la uri ni nga kona u bvelela vhutshiloni arali no divhudza na u dikumedzela," o ralo Masakane.

O ri zwa zwino o sedzesa kha u alusa bindu lawe nga wana vhupfumbudzi vhunzhi u itela uri a engedze tshaka dza tshumelo dzi netshedzwaho.

Step by step guide to starting a business

f you are an aspiring entrepreneur with what you believe is a great idea or product that can be transformed into a commercially viable enterprise – then you should visit a Small Enterprise Development Agency (Seda). Seda is an agency of the Department of Small Business Development (DSBD) which im provides non-financial support to small enterprises and co-operatives.

sessment of both the idea and potential entrepreneur; advice and registration into the Seda database of clients or small businesses.

Our Information Officers can be found in our 53 branches. **Step two: Fill in a questionnaire**



market by engaging potential buyers of the service or product.

Step four: information session

Should the entrepreneur fail to provide answers to all or most of the questions about the business they would like to start the Officer will either send the entrepreneur back to conduct some due diligence or organise an information session in which the prospective entrepreneurs will engage on how to go about doing the due diligence.

Step one: visit the offices of the Seda

On your first visit to Seda an Information Officer will take you through what is referred to as the Seda Talk process. The process involves an asAspiring entrepreneur will be given a questionnaire to fill in and conduct interviews to gather as much information as necessary about the prospective business owners and their

ideas.

The business environment is a testing one therefore wouldbe entrepreneurs need to be assessed as potential small business owners, to ensure they are ready and aware of what the journey of entrepreneurship entails.

Step three: Is your idea viable?

The idea itself also needs to be tested and its commercial viability analysed. Has the would-

be entrepreneur conducted their due diligence on their business idea? Is there even a market for their proposed product or service? It is up to the entrepreneur to

It is up to the entrepreneur to prove that they have tested the For more information about services that you can receive from Seda call 0860 103 703 or visit www.seda.org.za.