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Sassa kids make SA proud

THOUSANDS OF beneficiaries will get a chance to break away from the cycle of poverty.

DID YOU KNOW?

Out of the **534 484** learners who sat for their 2017 matric examination, **417 239** were social grant beneficiaries.

Noluthando Motswai

When Tumelo Mashigo was born he had little prospect of living a normal life. Shortly after his birth, doctors informed his mother that he had a rare condition called phocomelia and his hands were underdeveloped.

However, living with this condition did not deter Mashigo. Instead it gave him the fighting spirit needed to make something



Some of the the country's top matric achievers who are also social grant beneficiaries with Minister Bathabile Dlamini (centre).

of his life.

Fast forward to 2017 and Mashigo was announced as the second best performing learner with special needs in the matric class of 2017 in South Africa.

He passed matric with flying colours, achieving three distinctions and being accepted by the University of Pretoria to study Public Management and International Relations.

He said without the assistance of the South Africa

Social Security Agency (Sassa), his dreams would not have come true.

“My mother is unemployed so from a young age I have been getting the disability grant from Sassa, which had such a huge impact on my family,” he said.

“The grant helped my mother care for me by buying me food and all the things I required for school.”

The 18-year-old from

Tsakane in Gauteng completed his matric at the Muriel Brand School in Brakpan which is an educational facility for learners with special education needs. He was also the school’s deputy head boy for 2017.

This was also the school that prepared the confident young man for leadership in the future.

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“Word on the street”

As President Jacob Zuma prepares to address the nation on government's plans to take the country forward, Vuk'uzenzele took to the streets to hear what South Africans expect the president to say:

Boy Thwala (62)

“My expectation from the president is that he will address how government is going to stop crime and corruption. Citizens feel unsafe to walk down a street because of crime. The government must provide employment in order to drop crime statistics because most people get involved in crime because they are unemployed. We also need to know how he is going to deal with corrupt leaders and officials.”



Ndumiso Thabethe (32)

“I am expecting the president to talk more on education and employment opportunities. In rural areas like Maphumulo, where I am from, there is no proper school infrastructure. Learners study in tents or under the trees. The president needs to come up with a good strategy to address the shortage of classes in rural schools.”



Sicelo Sithole (27)

“I would like the president to address the issue of nepotism because it affects a number of qualified people. No matter how many degrees you have,



you are not guaranteed employment. It is so easy to be employed when your relative works at the government. We need to have clear and legal processes when it comes to employment so that the right candidate will get what they deserve.”

Nozipho Sibiyi (34)

“I would like the president to talk about abortion. The country should have strict rules for girls and boys on issues like the use of contraceptives. People should know that once you get pregnant, there's no going back.”



Nastajia Govender

“I want to address the



issue of land reform. Fairness and distribution – is there capacity and the capability to train new farmers? Are there plans or techniques or the structures of successful farming yield? What are government's plans for 2018 going forward with land reform?”

Njabulo Dladla (38)

“I want to hear about how government will strengthen the security of our borders so that we can manage the number of people coming into our country. Secondly, I want to hear what President Zuma has to say about the working class who do not qualify for RDP houses and cannot afford to pay bonds.”



Popo Mbuli (26)

“The president needs to ad-

dress issue of employment among youth. People are educated but they are sitting at home with their qualifications. If he can come up with more internship programmes for graduates to get experience and also consider giving youngsters increased access to funding to start their own businesses.”



Candice Meiring (35)

“I want the president to talk more about our economy. How is the government going to grow our economy? What plans are there to ensure that food and petrol prices are controlled and that we attract foreign investors who will bring stability to the country.”



Izinsana zisengcupheni enkulu ye-Listeriosis

ABANTU BASENINGIZIMU AFRIKA kufanele baqinisekise ukuthi ukudla kwabo akunamagciwane njengoba sekubheduke isifo se-Listeriosis.

UMnyango wezeMpilo sewukufakele amehlo lokhu kubheduka kwesifo se-Listeriosis, njengoba sekubikwe ukuthi bayi-119 abantu abatheleleke yilesi sifo kusukela ngomhla ka-5 kuZibandlela. Isibalo esiphelele esiqinisekisiwe elabhorethri sabantu abahlaselwe yilesi sifo ngonyaka wezi-2017 ngama-727.

Isikhungo Sokulawulwa Nokuvikelwa Kwezifo sichaze i-Listeriosis njengesifo esibucayi kodwa esilaphekayo futhi esigwemekayo esibangwa yigciwane le-Listeria monocytogenes. Leli gciwane litholakala enhlabathini, emanzini kanye nasezintshelweni. Imikhiziqo yezilwane – efana nenyama nemikhiziqo yobisi, izidlo zasolwandle kanye nemikhiziqo emisha njengemifino nezithelo kungaba naleli gciwane.

Yize noma ngubani onga-theleleka yi-Listeriosis, labo abasengcupheni enkulu yokungenwa yilesi sifo babandakanya izinsana

ezisanda kuzalwa, abantu asebeluphele, abesifazane abakhulelwe, kanye nabantu abanamasosha omzimba antekenteke njengabane-HIV, isifo sikashukela, umdlavuza, isifo sezinsu noma esesibindiesingumahlakhona.

Abantu abathinteka kakhulu yilabo abayizinsana ezinezinsukwana zizelwe – izinsana ezinezinsuku ezingama-28 zizelwe, nabantu abaneminyaka ephakathi kweyi-15 nengama-49. Abantu abanale minyaka yobudala bangama-70% abantu bonke abanale sifo.

Umnyango usunxuse abesifazane abakhulelwe ukuba babhalise ku-MomConnect ukuze bathole izindaba zakamuya ze-Listeriosis njengoba izingane ezinezinsuku ezingaphansi kwezingama-28 kuyizo ezithinteka kakhulu.

“Uma sibuka amanani abantu abathinteka kakhulu, siyaqaphela ukuthi kuwo wonke la maqembu abantu abasengcupheni enkulu, izinsana ezisanda kuzalwa yizona ezithinteka kakhulu.

Uma sihlaziya ngamaqembu eminyaka kusukela ekuzalweni kuya eminyakeni engama-93 ubudala, izinsana ezisanda kuzalwa zizodwa nje zicishe zifinyelele kuma-40% abantu abanale sifo,” kusho uNgqongqoshe wezeMpilo uDkt Aaron Motosoaledi.

UNgqongqoshe uphinde wanxusa abasebenzi beze-

mpilo ukuba baqikelele nakakhulu uma besiza abesifazane abakhulelwe.

“Isicelo esiyisipesheli kubasebenzi bezempilo nomphakathi wonkana ukuba banakekele abesifazane abakhulelwe kakhulu. Qikelela ngokwengeziwe uma ubhekene nowesifazane okhulelwe noma usana olusanda kuzalwa,” kusho yena.

Kubhaliswa kanjani ku-MomConnect:

- Qinisekisa ukuthi ukhulelwe esikhungweni sezempilo.
- Shayela u-*134*550# kumakhalekhukhwini wakho ukuze ubhalise.
- Phendula imibuzo embalwa elula mayelana nokukhulelwa kwakho.
- Uzobe ke usubhaliswa.
- Ukukhulelwa kubhaliswa ohlwini lwamagama kazwelonke.
- Ababhalisile babe sebethunyelwa imiyalezo yama-SMS maviki onke ukuze baziswe ngempilo yokukhulelwa kwabo kanye neyengane (kuze kufinyelele lapho ingane inonyaka owodwa ubudala).

Ukuze kutholakale ulwazi oluthe xaxa, amalungu omphakathi angashayela Isikhungo Sikazwelonke Sezifo Ezithelelanayo (NICD) Esikhungweni Sabo Sezimo Eziphuthumayo ngesikhathi samahora omsebenzi kule nombolo: 011 386 2000.

Abasebenzi bezempilo bangashayela i-NICD Hotline uma Kunezimo Zezempilo Eziphuthumayo emva kwamahora omsebenzi kule nombolo: 082 883 9920.

I-Listeriosis

Igcwane elidala ukudla okunobuthi.



I-Listeriosis ithinta ikakhulukazi abantu besifazane abakhulelwe, izinsana ezisanda kuzalwa, abantu abadala abanamasosha omzimba antekenteke.

- ### Izimpawu
- imfiva
 - ukuqaqamba kwemisipha
 - isicanucanu
 - ukuhanjiswa isisu
 - ikhanda elibuhlungu
 - intamo ebuhlungu
 - ukudideka
 - ukungakwazi ukuma uqonde nokubanjwa isithuthwane

Ukugwema

1. Geza izandla zakho ngaphambi kanye nangemva kokuphatha ukudla.
2. Pheka, qandisa, noma friza inyama, imikhiziqo yenkukhu, amaqanda, inhlanzi kanye nokudla osekulungele ukudliwa emahoreni amabili.
3. Ungadli ukudla okungaphekiwe futhi yazi ngengozi yokuguliswa inhlanzi engaphekiwe (kubandakanywa i-sushi), imbaza nokhwathu.
4. Gwema ukuphuza ubisi olungabulawanga amagciwane noshizi abathambile njenge-feta, ushizi wobisi lwembuzi ne-brie.
5. Uma unokuthandabuza, kulahle – ukufudumeza ukudla okuvela kuthelelekile ngeke kukwenze kube ngokuphephile!

I-Listeriosis eNingizimu Afrika

Sekubikwe ukuthi bangama-750 abantu abathelekile kanti abangama-67 kubo sebedlulile emhlabeni. I-Gauteng inabantu abaningi kakhulu abathelekile ize ilandelwe yi-Ntshonalanga Kapa, KwaZulu-Natali bese kube yiMpumalanga Kapa.



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Ukuphathwa ngesizotha kwezisulu zokunukubezwa ngokocansi

UZWELO NOKWESEKWA KUNIKEZWA izisulu zokuhlukunyezwa ezikhungweni ezibhekelele ukunakekelwa kwalaba.

Noluthando Motswai

UMnyango weze-Mpilo eGauteng usuphendule izidingo zezisulu zodlame lwezocansi nodlame olubhekiswe kwabobulili obuthile ngokwethula kabusha iSinakekelwe Thuthuzela Care Centre eThelle Mogorane Hospital e-Vosloorus.

Isikhungo sihlose ukunciphisa ubuhlungu bokunukubezwa ngokocansi siphinde sinciphise nokuphathwa kabi okulandela lokho kuphathwa kabi kwezisulu ngokuzihlinzeka ngokunakekelwa ngabasebenzi bezempilo abaqeqeshiwe, ukwelulekwa, kanye nokufinyeleleka kwabaphenyi nabashushisi, konke ngaphansi kophahla olulodwa.

Okhulumela uMnyango uLesemang Matuka uthe ngaphambilini izisulu bekudingeka zihambe amabanga amade ukuze zifinyelele lezi zinsiza. Isikhungo esethulwe kabusha sizosiza abantu baseKathlehong, Thokoza, Vosloorus

nezindawo ezakhelene nazo.

“Njengomnyango, siphokophelele impilo engcono kubo bonke ngokuqeqesha nokuhlomisa odokotela ngamakhono akhethekile okuphathwa izisulu zalobu bugebengu. Eminyakeni emithathu edlule, odokotela abayi-106 baphothule isifundo i-*Sexual Assault Care Practitioner Course*.”

Uthe umnyango wakhe uzoqhubeka nokubambisana nezinhlangano ezingekho ngaphansi kukahulumeni (ama-NGO) nezinye izinhlangano esibambisene nazo ezisiza ngokuhlinzeka ngokwesekwa kwezengqondo nokuziphatha emphakathini lapho kugcizelelwa kakhulu ukuvikela ngaphezu kokunakekelwa kwangemva kwesihlakalo sodlame.

AmaThuthuzela Care Centre ayesungulelwe ukuphucula inqubo yokubikwa kwezehlakalo zokudlwengulwa kanye namanye amacala oca-nsi. Izisulu manje sezisizakala endaweni eziphatha ngesizotha nasendaweni



enozwelo nokunakekela.

Izikhungo ziqalwe Liphiko Lwezokushushisa Lukazwelonke (i-NPA), kanye nMnyango wezeMpilo, Owezokuthuthukiswa Komphakathi kanye nowezokuThuthukiswa koMthethosisekelo, kanjalo noMbutsho Wamaphoyisa ase-Ningizimu Afrika (i-SAPS).

Kunezikhungo eziyisikhombisa eGauteng. Esokuqala savulwa e-Chris Hani Bara-

gwanath Hospital ngowezi-2000.

UDkt Efadzwa Tipoy, imeninja ephezulu kwezokwelapha nokunguye oholo i-Sinakekelwe Thuthuzela Care Centre, weluleke amalungu omphakathi ukuthi uma kwenzeka eba yizisulu zamacala ocansi, kusemqoka kakhulu ukuba abike isihlakalo esikhungweni ngokushesha.

“Izikhungo zibandakanya

ukwelashwa kokugwema ukuthola izifo ezithathelana ngocansi kubandakanya isifo sesibindi (i-Hepatitis B) negciwane leSandulelangculazi (i-HIV). Amaphilisi okuvikela ukukhulelwa ngenxa yesehlakalo lesi sezocansi nawo ayanikezwa. Ungagezi. Woza nezingubo obuzigqokile esikhungweni zisongwe ngephepha elinsundu hhayi esikhwameni socwazi,” kusho uDkt Tipoy.

Wengeze ngokuthi selokhu kwavulwa isikhungo, baningi abantu abasebenzisa izinsiza abazihlinzekayo futhi baphathwa ngendlela enesithunzi abantu abayizisulu futhi bakwazi nokugeza eshaweni emva kokuxilongwa.

Enye yezinselele ezibhekene nomtholampilo ukuthi esikhathini esiningi abantu bafika emva kwesikhathi – kubalulekile ukuthi kuthathwe ubufakazi umuntu anikezwe nemithi singekapheli isikhathi esingamahora angama-72 kwenzeke isihlakalo sokuhlaselelwa. **U**

A shot in the arm for the North West



From left Bapo Ba Mogale Representative Rangwane Radikobonyana Mogale, CEO of Lonmin Ben Magara and North West MEC of Health Honourable Magome Masike at the handover ceremony of ambulances.

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More Matshediso

A partnership between the North West Department of Health, the private sector and communities is saving lives, says Health MEC Magome Masike. MEC Masike says the department has over the years

formed partnerships with various stakeholders to improve the delivery of health services.

“We officially opened a new chemotherapy unit within the Radiation Oncology Unit at Tshepong Hospital Complex in Klerksdorp in 2017. The construction of the unit came as a result of a donation by

the Muslim community,” MEC Masike says.

Previously, patients had to be transported to Gauteng to get treated for cancer.

“We are trying by all means to ensure that our people do not have to leave the province to get services,” he explains.

Another success story is a

maternity ward worth R6 million that was donated by Anglo Gold Ashanti. It was opened in May 2016 in the Botshabelo Community Health Centre in Stilfontein’s Khuma Township.

According to the MEC, about 446 healthy babies have been delivered in the centre since then.

One of the challenges that the department had was a shortage of ambulances but Lonmin came to the rescue with an R11 million donation of 17 ambulances, a patient transporter and two mobile school health units.

Four of the vehicles will be permanently stationed at the Bapong Community Health Centre, while the remainder will service the Bojanala Platinum District Municipality, which includes Kgetlengrivier, Madibeng, Moses Kotane, Moretele and Rustenburg.

Matlou Mokgotho of Mor-

uleng in the Moses Kotane Local Municipality says that although she personally has never had to call an ambulance, she has witnessed how fellow community members struggled to get emergency services because of the unavailability of ambulances.

Lonmin’s executive vice president of stakeholder engagement and regulatory affairs, Thandeka Ncube, says it has committed to assisting the department by providing it with the resources that it does not have or cannot afford. She explains that the end goal is to ensure that all residents have access to adequate primary healthcare within their vicinities.

Future Lonmin projects include a forensic mortuary, a community healthcare centre for the Marikana community, and a multipurpose community centre for Majakaneng residents. **U**