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## South Africa's economic recovery plan gets going



 **SOUTH AFRICAN  
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RECONSTRUCTION  
AND RECOVERY**  
BUILDING A NEW ECONOMY



### Silusapho Nyanda

A car parts manufacturing company that is owned by a black woman is on the road to success, despite only starting operations less than two years ago.

Aphelele Plastics makes car suspension bushings and washers – which are supplied to companies that deal in Volkswagens, BMWs and Audis; trolley tyres and newspaper cutting sticks.

Owner Nobuhle Gwala (53) says they make the products from polyurethane plastic material. "The polyurethane bushings and balls are used in a car's gearbox and for the mounting of a car's engine.

"We also make rubber newspaper cutting sticks, which are used by newspaper printing

companies to separate the different newspapers as they come off the conveyor belt," she says.

Aphelele Plastics, which was started in February 2019, currently produces around 100 bushings a day but that is set to double as Gwala's company has received specialist manufacturing machinery and a bakkie through a government empowerment programme.

Speaking at the launch of KwaZulu-Natal's Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs' (DEDTEA) Operation Vula Fund, MEC Nomusa Dube-Ncube said: "We are handing over bakkies, bakery equipment, catering equipment, animal feed and other machinery to 12 emerging en

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# Emalungelo Ema-LGBTI Avikelekile



**Silusapho Nyanda**

**W**onkhe umuntnfu waseNingizimu Afrika unelilungelo lekuphila emmangweni lapho ativa avikeleke khona futsi aphephile. Loku kufaka ummango webantfu labanobudlelwano nalaebulili lobufanako, boncukumbili, bantfu labantjintje bulili babo

i-Transgender, nebantfu labatibona bakulomtimba walobunye bulili i-Intersex (i-LGBTI).

Bantfu labangena ngaphansi kwemmango webantu labama-LGBTI, esikhatsini lesendlulile bebahlukunyewa balinyatwe ngenca yebulili lebabukhetsile.

Lokwandza kwemacala lacondziswe kummango wema-LGBTI kwabanga kutsi kusungulwe imitimba

lesemtsetfweni leminingi lehlose kuvikela emalungelo ebantfu labama-LGBTI.

Sinye saletikhungo letasungulelwa kuvikela nekucinisa emalungelo emmango wema-LGBTI kwaba Licembu Lavelonkhe Lekwenta Umsebenti Wetebulili Lobukene Nebulova Betebulili Lobubhekiswe Ebantfwi Labama-LGBTI (i-NTT).

I-NTT umtimba losungulwe Litiko Letebulungiswa

Nelekutfukiswa Kwe-mtsetfosisekelo (i-DoJCD) ngekusebentisana Nekhomishini yaseNingizimu Afrika Yetekulingana Kubulili; kanye neyemalungelo emacembu ema-LGBTI lafana ne-Gay & Lesbian Memory in Action (i-GALA); ne-OUT LGBT Well-Being (i-OUT); kanye ne-Foundation for Human Rights (i-FHR) neyalabanye babbabi lichaza.

Njengencenyemsebenti wayo i-NTT ngekusebenta nelicembu lavelonkhe leiphendvula masinyane kubugebengu (i-RRT) ibhalisa, igadze iphindze iphutfumise emacala enzondvo ngekhatsi kweluhlelo lwetebulungiswa. I-RRT yakhiwa yi-DoJCD, i-NPA kanye Netemisebenti Yemaphoyisa aseNingizimu Afrika (i-SAPS) kanye nalabo labamelele tinhlangano temmango.

Umsebenti we-RRT kubukana nemacala lakhona nalaikiwe kuloluhlelo lwetebulungiswa lapho kunemacala khona enzondvo labhe-

kiswe ebantfwi labama-LGBTI.

Loku kwentelwa kucinisekisa kutsi emacala enzondvo labikiwe nalasilele ayankawa futsi ayaphotfulwa ngesikhatsi lesifanele. I-RRT futsi igcogca lwatiso lwemacala enzondvo labikiwe. Lolwatiso lolu lufaka emagama laphelele alolinyatiwe, imininingwane lephelele yallowente lelicala, lusuku licala lelentiwe ngalo futsi nesikhatsi nendzawo licala liblikwe kuyo.

Inkantolo nenombolo yelicala, emaphuzu lafinyetiwe elicala, simo selicala, umphumela welicala, umniningwane wesigwebo emacaleni ebantfu labatfole sigwebo nako kuyincenye yelwatiso lolutfolakala ku-RRT.

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## Community kitchen brings hope to Tholeni

**Silusapho Nyanda**

**A**rural community has turned its painful past into an opportunity to feed and grow its people, after being thrown into darkness by a serial killer.

The Phumalanga Nutrition and Development Project, which operates from the Tholeni White Door Centre of Hope in Tholeni Village in the Eastern Cape, feeds 120 elderly people living with disabilities and orphaned children.

The centre was started as a community kitchen in 2013, after convicted serial killer Bulelani Mabhayi raped and killed over 20 women and children in the village.

A beneficiary of the Phumalanga Nutrition and De-



**Members of the Phumalanga Nutrition and Development non-governmental organisation serve meals to the community of Tholeni village in Butterworth, Eastern Cape.**

velopment Project, Notheko Mabayi (70), says the village's women started the project due to the impact of poverty in the village. Community members donated R20 per

household for food and equipment.

"The families in our community had lost breadwinners and children were left orphaned by the killings.

After seeing the devastation, we decided to help those less fortunate by starting a food drive," Mabayi says.

When the project was up and running, the Department of Social Development took over the funding of the project, supplying food, cutlery, tables and stoves.

Mabayi says the meals are also helping to curb crime among the youth, as they now have something to eat. "In the past, we had a serious issue of theft, but this has decreased since the programme started."

The meals community members receive are nutritious, containing vegetables, starch and protein, and Mabayi is able to feed herself and her granddaughter. "Tonight, I will not have to cook supper. We will have

enough food from the meal that I collect from the centre," she says.

The non-governmental organisation's deputy chairperson Witness Madondo says the kitchen aims to foster a united community that looks after each other. "The idea was to have a place where the elderly in our community can be looked after and be safe and productive."

Madondo explains that the village's elders also use the centre to participate in skills development and recreational activities, including playing soccer and participating in athletics competitions.

"Our athletics team represented our municipality at the provincial athletics tournament for the elderly in 2018," says Mabayi.