

## **Economic opportunities**

## TV comes to the PARTY

nformation on economic opportunities is now just a click of a button away.
Government has formed a partnership with the SABC to bring you a new show on different projects that government has started to change people's lives.

Azishe-ke: Opportunity Knocks! will show real stories and projects where people are trained to do different jobs and are helped to start businesses.

As President Thabo Mbeki said in his State of the Nation Address this year, government wants to work with media to reach more people, especially the poor, and show how they can take advantage of government-created opportunities.

The programme shows what Expanded Public Works Programme projects like Working for Water and road construction do. It will also look at govern-



Azishe-ke!: Opportunity Knocks! is on SABC2 Saturdays at 9am from 1 October

ment support for black-owned hotels and bed and breakfast places. It also focuses on people providing care for children in the communities, as well as the School Nutrition Programme.

Agricultural programmes, promotion of small business opportunities through the Umsobomvu Youth Fund, gender and women empowerment and the National Development Agency will also be covered.

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## **INFORMATION YOU CAN USE:**

## e-Gateway opens path to available services

nowledge is power. Everyone wants information, especially on opportunities created by government to improve the lives of ordinary citizens.

This is why government has started the Batho Pele (people first) campaign to improve government services to the public.

Last year, government launched a website, the Batho Pele e-Gateway, to help people get information on all the government services. The information will also be made available in all official languages soon.

How people can get the information?

- Computer terminals in public places like Multi Purpose Community Centres and post offices so that those who need information can have the service; and
- Members of the public can call a toll free number where trained staff members will be

available to supply information on government programmes.

The aim of the Batho Pele Gateway is to ensure that people have enough information on government services.

You can reach the Batho Pele Gateway Call Centre by phoning 1020. The call is free from any Telkom telephone.

The address of the website is *www.gov.za*.