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The Zanemvula housing project launched in 2006. It is an informal settlement upgrading and human settlement project in Nelson Mandela Bay. The project is located in the Chatty, Joe Slovo West, Soweto-on-Sea and Veeplaas areas and involves the relocation of residents from the floodplains of the Chatty River, backyard dwellings and other stressed areas around Nelson Mandela Bay to decent human settlements. The project will deliver 13 500 houses.

Chatty Youth an inspiration

As we celebrate the youth month we reflect on youth that keep the fires burning

Irwin du Plessis a 32 year old Chatty 1060 resident who, together with Morne Tereblanche own Green Masters, a grass cutting business. As we celebrate youth month, unemployment is a topic that everyone has an opinion on, especially when considering the high rate of youth unemployment. Instead of complaining, Du Plessis and Terreblanche took the risk to start their own business. "There are no jobs, but you have to do something to make money to feed your family" says du Plessis.

Having grown up in a shack in Fastrap, a home in Chatty offered an opportunity to live a better life with a home, and a job opportunity. For the last eight years du Plessis and Terreblanche have offered fellow community members a garden service. "We knock on people's doors and ask to cut their grass. Because they know we do a good job, people like us". Green Masters also employs four other people, each with their own weed cutter. "Our guys get 50% of every yard, this motivates them to do a better job", du Plessis explains. Du Plessis's message to the youth is: "There are many ways to make money. You can collect bottles, plastics, do something, and stay away from drugs and gangsterism.



Be the master of your souls and captain of your destiny," he says beaming with a smile as he starts his weed cutter to continue to work.

Tata Tshonyane who uses the Green Masters frequently says, "I wish other youth could learn from these boys. They work hard and their price is reasonable, that is why I use them." Du Plessis and Terreblanche wish to grow their business by registering their business and access funding for transport, and special equipment, such as tree feeling and stump removal. Anyone wanting to use Green Masters Garden Service can phone Irwin du Plessis on **078 230 3371**

Mayor Danny Jordan and five Golden Years

The Mayor of the Metro, Danny Jordaan outlined a proactive five year Integrated Development Plan in his ward visits around the metro. Community members gave input regarding service delivery and development. This event was called the Golden Five Years and included Zanemvula areas.

In Jordaan's State of the Metro address, he promised to strengthen the Metro's administration, attract investments, and deliver better services. "You cannot argue against success and progress. Accelerated service delivery continues to be our focus. This is solely as a result of improved efficiencies in the administration. We are not here to make promises, but to report on milestones."

The Mayor promised to build 7000 houses in the next financial year. "Over 10 000 houses have been built since 2011 and 4175 houses have been rectified." The Mayor emphasised the use of SMME's in the development of housing in the metro, "To date, over 430 contractors have been selected to the new transparent database of SMME contractors, and a total of 100 SMMEs have already been on training, while another 150 will participate in an

incubation programme by National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBRC) and the Small Enterprise Development Agency (SEDA) construction incubator".

The Mayor also emphasized the importance of an efficient beneficiary management system for low cost housing to guarantee fair, transparent and equitable access to housing opportunities for citizens that qualify.

The Mayor thanked the Department of Human Settlements and the Housing Development Agency(HDA) for their effort in making sure that transparency, dedication and service delivery are paramount.



Mayor of the Metro Dr Danny Jordaan

HDA develops work-allocation database system

One of the areas of concern identified when the HDA was appointed to support the Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality (NMBM) Human Settlements delivery programme in 2015, was the dysfunctional system of procurement utilised in the Metro.

This problem caused protests in the area. In some instances, contracts were stopped, tyres were burnt and Metro offices were closed by angry contractors, protesting and demanding transparency in the allocation of work. The HDA was tasked to implement an efficient and transparent system of work allocation which would support Small, Medium and Micro Enterprise (SMME) development. A tender was advertised in October 2015 calling for contractors to register on a database for pre-approval, and from which they would be chosen for work allocation. This effort proved to be easier said than done.

On closure of the tender, 1 515 bids were submitted (four times more than anticipated – up eved by the HDA.from the 309 contractors previously registered on the Metro Roster System). These bids had to be accurately registered, evaluated and adjudicated, in as short a time as was possible to facilitate new work allocation which had been on hold for six months. It took the evaluation team three weeks to complete the evaluation, having worked each day from

09h00 till 21h00 – weekends included. Thereafter, information had to be collated and transferred to a database system. This procedure identified 1 170 responsive and 345 non-responsive bids and 66 late submissions. This database was then approved by the Bid Adjudication Committee of the HDA, the Steering Committee of the Support Programme and then presented to the contractors on 12 February 2016.

On work allocation, many contractors who were non-responsive or who had not achieved the required threshold scores (or who had submitted late bids) queried the process. This resulted in the HDA offices being closed on 03 and 04 March due to

These queries have now been assessed and a revised list of contractors has been published and work has been allocated to 66 contractors thus far. Contractors have been introduced to the Ward Councillors and community members and work has commenced and is progressing.

Another mammoth task has been well-achieved by the HDA.

Vox Pox

What does the youth month mean to you?

Brenda Sixholo 31 Chatty

Noluvo Vena 25 Joe Slovo

Ginnel Vermaak 18 Joe Slovo

Morne Tereblanche 26 Chatty



To me, this month means that we as this youth of today must consider what we can change? The youth of 1976 changed their time and in doing so changed history so that we could gain freedom.



The youth must stand up and find their own place. The youth must not be despondent. There are ways we can be productive. Let us take advantages of the opportunities presented to us such National Youth Development Agency. We are the future.

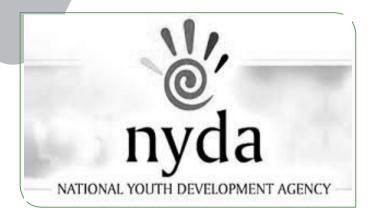


I pray for a Chatty that is clean and developmental so that the youth can have jobs. Even if the municipalities can employ us to pick rubbish I will be so grateful



Crime is high among youth. Drugs are rife. We need employment . The government must help the youth.

National Youth Development Agency helping the youth



We spoke to NYDA consultant in Nelson Mandela Metro Municipality, Ncomeka Makupheni to find out how does the agency assist the Youth.

What is NYDA

-We are a youth developmental agency that helps youth between the ages of 18-35

How do you help youth

There various ways we can assist

- 1. We provide information
- 2. We support the youth in their endeavours
- 3. We help them make informed decisions regarding their career and employment
- 4. If they want to start a business , we train them and fund them
- 5. We also provide free internet for research purposes
- 6. We also have a database for CV's were we help youth get jobs.

How can youth like the Green Masters from Chatty get in contact of NYDA.

They can contact us at KwaNtu Towers next to the Town Hall and if they are far they can invite us in their community to present to the youth on how NYDA can help them.

Last words

NYDA is here to help the youth and what are you waiting for. Contact us as soon as possible on 041 503 9100.





Project Updates: HDA PROJECT UPDATES 30 June 2016

Soweto-on-Sea Rectification

2039 of 2500 houses have been rectified.

Soweto-on-Sea/Veeplaas 500 Unbuilt Sites

- 2 Established and 4 SMME contractors appointed

Chatty 491 Military Veterans

- CBO appointed
- Construction commenced
- Houses are 50m2 in size

Chatty 1060

7 Established and 16 SMME contractors appointed

Joe Slovo West 2000

- 12 Established and 27 SMME contractors appointed

Sisulu Hlalani 18

1 SMME contractor appointed

Walmer Q 189

- 1 Established and 4 SMME contractors appointed

Chatty MPCC

 Contract terminated and HDA now procuring new contractor to complete the works

PROJECT	FOUNDATION	WALLPLATE	ROOF	FINISHES	COMPLETED
Soweto-on-	144	141	121	110	102
Sea 500					
Unfinished					
sites					
Chatty 491	21	1	1	1	1
Chatty 1060	215	116	88	83	
Joe Slovo	316	55	35		
West 2000					
Sisulu Hlalani	N/A	18	9		
Walmer Q 189	173	173	161	161	161
TOTAL	869	504	415	355	264

7 Facts about June 16

1. June 16 was the first day of what came to be called the Soweto uprising. It began there but spread to other townships around the country and continued until year-end in the face of harsh state repression.

2. Bantu education was set up in 1953, five years after the National Party came to power on the apartheid platform. Bantu education was a project of the department of native affairs to cater specifically to black people. Dr Hendrik Verwoerd, then the minister of native affairs and later prime minister, said that the policy would educate black people to know their place in society: "Natives must be taught from an early age that equality with Europeans [whites] is not for them."

3.According to South African History Online, Bantu education did provide more education for more black people than ever before. But the facilities were meagre and soon overcrowded. "No new high schools were built in Soweto between 1962 and 1971. Students were meant to move to their relevant homeland to attend the newly built schools there." However, in 1972, the government heeded business calls for a better-trained workforce and built 40 new schools in Soweto. Over the next four years, the numbers of pupils attending high school in Soweto tripled and, in 1976, "257505 pupils enrolled in form one [the former standard six], but there was space for only 38 000".

4.The education given was very unequal: "The government spent R644 a year on a white child's education but only R42 on a black child."

5.A state plan for black pupils to be taught key subjects in Afrikaans began in 1974 and was taking effect in 1976. Pupils and teachers objected to having to



learn and teach in "the language of the oppressor"

6.Pupils at the Orlando West Junior School went on strike in April 1976. An action committee was formed and a mass protest was planned for June 16. The committee became the Soweto Students' Representative Council and part of the broader Black Consciousness Movement.

7.On June 16 1976, police blocked the movement of 10000 to 20000 pupils towards the Orlando Stadium. In a confrontation near Orlando High, 13-year-old Hector Pieterson was killed and, through the photograph by Sam Nzima, became an icon of the uprising.

Do-It-Yourself: 5 ways to make your home beautiful

- 1.Create Stone Paving
 4.Make a bed with Pallets
- 2. Make old Furniture new
- 3. Create a stone wall by collecting pebbles and shells in the beach
- 5. Make picture Frames











Useful contact numbers

The Housing Development Agency: 041 393 2600

Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality:

Customer Care (All hours): 041 506 5555 Service Delivery Centre (All hours for water, sanitation and all other services): 0800 205 050 Human Settlements Eastern Cape: 043 711 9500

Emergencies: (From cell phone): 112

Childline: 08000 55 555

Eskom Customer Care: 0860 037 566

Land Invasion:

Macdonald: 082 410 5066 **HIela:** 079 490 0531

Fire: 041 585 2311 / 041 508 5505

Water leaks, Power outages etc.: 0800 205 050

General Emergencies: 041 506 2735

Clinics

Chatty Clinic in Dullisear Street: 041 506 3070
Veeplaas Clinic in Kani Street: 041 506 1183
Zwide Clinic in Johnson Street: 041 506 7410
Soweto-on-Sea Clinic in Mbanga Street:

041 506 1191

Booysens Park Clinic 2 in Booysens Park Drive: 041 483 1590

Police Stations

Bethelsdorp Police Station:

041 404 3000/4/5 071 475 1938

 Kwazakele Police Station:
 041 408 7720

 Zwide Police Station:
 041 459 0213

 KwaDwezi Police Station:
 041 405 4712





