



## GEMEENSKAP NUUSBRIEF / 2025 HIGHLIGHTS



### WAT 'N MAN KAN DOEN KAN 'N VROU OOK

Dit is die kragtige woorde van Marshe en Kezia, twee jong vroue van Loeriesfontein wat hindernisse in die hernubare energiebedryf breek. Hulle werk daagliks op hoogtes en is lede van die Kabelvervangingsveldtog-span by ons susterwindplaas, Noupoot-windplaas.

Met groeiende selfvertroue, vaardigheid en ambisie bewys hulle dat vroue in elke deel van die STEM-wêreld hoort. ***"Hierdie soort ondersteuning wys hoe plaaslike vaardigheidsontwikkeling 'n langtermyn-impak kan skep."***

**Vanessa Fredericks, Ekonomiese Ontwikkelingsbestuurder .**



### OPENING DOORS FOR OUR YOUTH!

We were proud to host the very first Career Expo at Loeriesfontein High School.

Over 120 learners from five local schools in the Hantam and Karoo Hoogland regions were excited to explore opportunities beyond matric, interacting with universities, TVET colleges, SAPS, and our very own wind farm team.

***"Our learners often lack the resources or exposure to make informed career choices. This expo gave them options beyond what they see around them."*** Jacques Klaaste, Loeriesfontein High School Principal.



### BEMAGTIG PLAASLIKE ENTREPRENEURS!

Deur ons ABCD-toelaagprogram gaan ons voort om plaaslike entrepreneurs te bemagtig wat positiewe verandering in Loeriesfontein dryf.

GRH Enterprise is een van vele suksesverhale wat wys hoe plaaslike idees kan groei tot volhoubare besighede wat die gemeenskap dien en plaaslike verskaffers ondersteun. ***"Ons is trots om 'n winkel te bedryf wat nie net noodsaaklike goedere aan ons gemeenskap verskaf nie, maar ook plaaslike verskaffers ondersteun."*** - Gert Cloete, medestigter.



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## HONOURING WOMEN IN OUR COMMUNITY

Women's Month was a time of celebration, care, and empowerment here in Loeriesfontein. Together with the Department of Health, the Cederberg Matzikama Aids Network (CMAN) hosted a Women's Day event that brought 88 women together for free health screenings, wellness checks, and a little treat, fresh fruit packs for everyone.

It was a special day filled with support and encouragement.

We also assisted the local primary school in hosting their annual Women in Leadership event, organised by the Department of Education. This gathering celebrated 35 incredible women, teachers, principals, and education leaders, who inspire excellence across our district. We're proud to stand behind the women who lead, uplift, and make a difference in our communities every day.



## BEMAGTIG PLAASLIKE JEUG MET TEGNIESE OPLEIDING

Ons is trots daarop om 'n doelgerigte opgraderingsprogram te befonds, wat 19 plaaslike jeugdige, van wie 12 vroue is, toerus met gespesialiseerde opleiding in elektriese- en sweiswerk.

Hierdie drie maande lange opleidingsprogram, wat in vennootskap met die Artisan Training Institute geïmplementeer is, is daarop gemik om plaaslike indiensneming 'n hupstoot te gee en in die aanvraag na gekwalifiseerde werkers te voorsien deur deelnemers te voorsien van tegniese en sagte vaardighede wat noodsaaklik is vir die hernubare enrgiesektor.



*"Deur hierdie opleidingsprogram rus ons nie net individue toe met waardevolle handelsvaardighede nie, maar dra ons ook by tot die groei van die hernubare enrgiesektor. Ons is veral trots op die sterk vroulike teenwoordigheid in hierdie groep, aangesien dit die groeiende belangstelling van vroue in tegniese velde weerspieël."* - Vanessa Fredericks.



## BRINGING HEALTHCARE TO OUR DOORSTEPS

We're proud to support the Cederberg Matzikama Aids Network (CMAN), who continue to make a real difference through their Primary Health Care Programme.

With one dedicated nurse and five caring community health workers, the team brings essential healthcare straight to the people of Loeriesfontein, whether it's home visits, chronic care, or health education. Earlier this year, CMAN worked with the Department of Health to host a TB Awareness Campaign, visiting homes and offering TB screenings and HIV testing to over 100 residents.

Their work helps reduce stigma, promote early treatment, and improve overall well-being.

*"Every visit, every conversation, and every check-up is a step towards a healthier, stronger community, and we're proud to be part of that journey."* - Vanessa Fredericks.



## YOUNG RUGBY PLAYERS SHINE BRIGHT

We're celebrating local rugby success in the Logan region, thanks to the passion and dedication of Coach Zitrom Steenkamp. Under his guidance, our young players are making the community proud!



This year, two U16 girls and two U18 girls were selected to represent the provincial Griquas teams at the SA Rugby Girls Tournament, and one U16 player even made it to the SA Rugby Elite Player Development Camp!

The boys are also making waves, with two players chosen for the SPAR Week tournament. These achievements show just how much local talent we have. We are proud to have supported them by covering transport costs, ensuring the players could shine on the field.



## HUISHOUDELIKE VOEDSEL TUINPROJEK SKEP GELEENTHEDE

Sewe-en-twintig (27) plaaslike inwoners is toegerus met die vaardighede en hulpbronne om hul eie voedsame kos te kweek terwyl hulle waardevolle opleiding in landbou-entrepreneurskap ontvang, as deel van 'n Huishoudelike Voedseltuin-projek.

Die projek, wat ontwerp is om voedselonsekerheid aan te spreek en selfonderhoud binne die gemeenskap te bevorder, het afgeskop met 'n twee weke lange opleidingsprogram waar deelnemers beide teoretiese en praktiese opleiding in landbou-entrepreneurskap ontvang het.



Benewens die opleiding het elke deelnemer tuinmaakgereedskap, materiaal en voorrade ontvang om hulle te help om hul tuine suksesvol te begin en in stand te hou. "Die program het betekenisvolle geleenthede geskep vir ons inwoners met 'n passie vir tuinmaak om ons kennis te verdiep en die voordele te geniet." - Hildon Philander, 'n programbegunstigde.

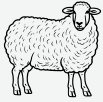


## LOOPBAAN-EKSPO BEMAGTIG LEERDERS

'n Nuut gestigte loopbaan-ekspo het onlangs by Loeriesfontein Hoërskool plaasgevind, wat deure oopmaak vir toekomstige moontlikhede vir leerders in ons gemeenskap, en hulle bemagtig met die gereedskap en kennis vir hul toekoms.

Die geleentheid het leerders die geleentheid gebied om met verteenwoordigers van drie universiteite, twee TVET-kolleges, die Suid-Afrikaanse Polisiediens (SAPD) en die hernubare enrgiesektor te kommunikeer.

"In gebiede soos ons s'n het leerders nie altyd die hulpbronne of blootstelling om ingeligte besluite oor die lewe na matriek te neem nie. Hierdie ekspo het hulle duidelikheid, motivering en 'n ware gevoel gegee," het Jacques Klaaste, skoolhoof van Hoërskool Loeriesfontein, gesê.



## LOCAL SHEEP FARMERS EQUIPPED FOR SUCCESS



Thirteen (13) local emerging farmers successfully completed a week-long Dorper's Sheep Training course in Williston.

Funded in partnership with the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, this initiative provided participants with essential knowledge on Dorper sheep breed standards, effective breeding techniques, animal health, and market trends.

Participants also took part in hands-on sessions that introduced modern techniques to improve the quality of their livestock and reduce the risk of disease.



"Being selected for this programme was such a privilege. My dream is to one day become the first female farmer in my community to proudly farm with Dorpers." - Feuke Mostert, a beneficiary of the programme.



## NEW FLOORING UPGRADE ENHANCES LOCAL HEALTHCARE FACILITY

"We are pleased to have funded a much-needed flooring upgrade at the Loeriesfontein Community Health Centre (CHC), replacing old carpets with durable, hypoallergenic tiles to improve hygiene and infection control.

The new tiled flooring improves hygiene, speeds up cleaning, and helps minimise pests. Its durability ensures a neat, community-friendly space for the long term.

"The healthcare staff are very pleased with the new flooring, making their work much easier. It not only looks neat and professional but is also effortless to clean. Additionally, it helps reduce infections and allows for better infection control." - Anna Opperman, Operational Manager at the Loeriesfontein CHC.