MUNICIPAL CLEANING CAMPAIGN AND GREENING EXPANDED PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAMME (EPWP) LAUNCHED

On the 22 December 2023, in a vibrant ceremony pulsating with community spirit, the municipality officially held a cleaning campaign and launched its much-anticipated Cleaning and Greening Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) in partnership with the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Environment. This exciting initiative promises to not only reinvigorate the municipality cleanliness but also empower residents with valuable work opportunities.

Through this programme, 750 temporary work opportunities have been created for unemployed community members to embark on cleaning and greening activities.

Cleaning and Greening EPWP workers from all municipal thirty (30) wards were joined by, councillors, officials, environmental activists, and enthusiastic volunteers. The atmosphere crackled with energy as the Mayor spoke about the campaign's transformative potential. "The programme must also aim at addressing food insecurity challenges at household level and rising unemployment in the municipality to enhance human dignity as well as instilling pride in communities." remarked Mayor Molala.

But the true stars of the show were the 750 residents enrolled in the EPWP program. Equipped with gloves, brooms, and unwavering spirits, they rolled up their sleeves, ready to tackle the challenge. This program offers them not just income but also the chance to contribute directly to their municipality's well-being.

The campaign targets key areas across the municipality, from parks and streets to community centres and drainage systems. The focus is on removing litter, clearing illegal dumping sites, and promoting responsible waste management practices.

"Motho ke motho ka batho"