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MONTHLY STATEMENT TO MIDVAAL RESIDENTS

Dear Midvaal residents,

Welcome to the latest edition of our monthly newsletter. As your local municipality, we are committed to keeping you informed about our service delivery highlights, initiatives, and events that affect your community.

TRENDING THIS MONTH :

- Human Rights Day 2023
- Road Projects
- Energy summit: midvaal aggressively pursuing energy independence
- National water week awareness campaign
- Spread the love campaign



HUMAN RIGHTS DAY 2023



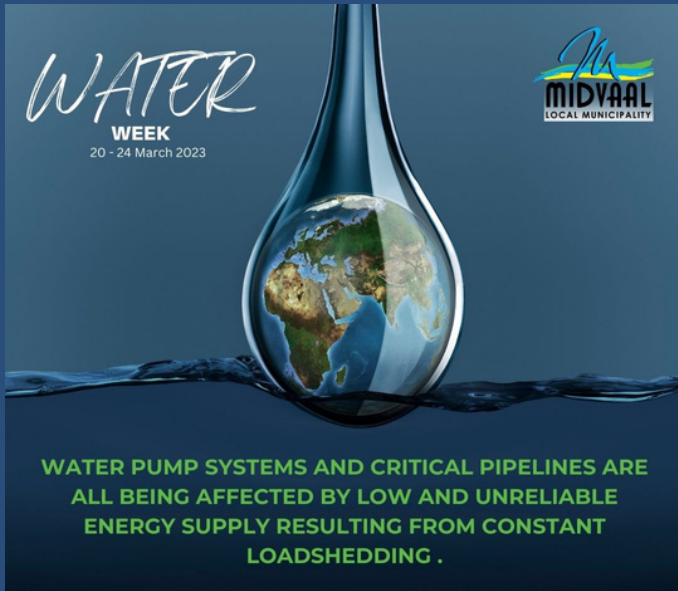
On 27 March, we commemorated Human Rights Day in honour of those who fought for our rights during the Apartheid era. This day also reinforces our commitment to the Bill of Rights as enshrined in our Constitution. Great progress has been made in advancing people's rights, however, there is still a long way to go. As a municipality, we are committed to protecting the rights of our residents, particularly the vulnerable and marginalised. We will continue to play our part by ensuring access to basic services, enabling a safe, healthy community and environment. We will budget for progress and delivery. We will invest in our infrastructure to unlock Midvaal's economic potential, therefore, creating jobs and reducing poverty.

ROAD PROJECTS:



- Innovation: Through meeting with service providers who are using different technologies for pothole patching.
- We are more responsive: Anchovy Road, Bell Road, Lugten Street stormwater.
- Road Rehabilitation: Identified projects to start in the next financial year.
- Gravel to Tar status update: Gravel to Surface projects started in Noldick, Kookrus and Riversdale this financial year,
- Graders and fleet: 2x hired graders on the ground, and 1x internal grader.
- Re-gravelling of Roads: Procurement of gravel materials in progress for Danie Theron and Elizabeth Street. Wilge Road is almost complete.
- Pothole patching: Internal teams are working in various wards to fight the backlog due to heavy rains early in the year.
- Road fogging: As part of the municipality's road rejuvenation plan, fog spraying has started. This type of maintenance will assist in sealing fine hair cracks and prolong our roads' lifespan.

NATIONAL WATER WEEK AWARENESS CAMPAIGN



Midvaal hosted a Water Awareness Campaign on 22 March to raise awareness about water conservation initiatives. Water is the most precious natural resource we have as a country, it is critical to sustainable living, development, and economic growth. South Africa is ranked as the 39 driest country in the world, this is due to the insufficient and unreliable rain we receive. Saving water is critical to ensure a sustained water supply. We encourage all residents to save water and adopt sustainable water practices in their daily lives.

Here are a few Water Saving Tips:

- Take shorter showers: 3 min
- Use water saving shower heads
- When taking a bath fill the tub halfway through
- The tap should be turned off while brushing teeth, use a glass of water to rinse
- Water for shaving or washing your face should be poured into a closed sink and not under a running tap
- Vegetables should be washed in a closed sink or basin not under a running tap
- Household leaks – often left running for long periods of time waste a lot of water
- Check your meter and consumption regularly is very important and could contribute to great economic savings
- Tap and cistern washers must be checked regularly
- Placing a plastic bottle or hippo bag in the toilet cistern is a great way to save water while flushing.
- Leaking taps create an unhealthy environment and breeding ground for mosquitoes
- Leaking taps and toilets put a strain on the sewer system resulting in sewer spillages.

ENERGY SUMMIT: MIDVAAL AGGRESSIVELY PURSUING ENERGY INDEPENDENCE



On 7 and 8 March 2023, a delegation from our municipality attended the Africa Energy Indaba as we position ourselves to become less reliant on Eskom. The energy summit offered great knowledge and expertise on how Midvaal can aggressively pursue solar and renewable energy. Our vision is to significantly lower the stages of load shedding.



SPREAD THE LOVE – DONATING FOOD PARCELS IN COLLABORATION WITH HARVEST FRESH AND LYNCA MEATS



We Joined by representatives from Lynca Meats and Harvest Fresh in Boitumelo, Ward 4. The delegation donated over 50 food parcels to less privileged families and the elderly.

Midvaal Local Municipality is a compassionate and people-centred institution. Our municipality is constantly engaging with stakeholders to find ways to assist the vulnerable and those in need. We call upon interested stakeholders to come on board and partner with us as we work to uplift the lives of the people of Midvaal.



Top news of the month:

SPREAD THE LOVE CAMPAIGN – SCHOOL SHOES DONATION

Together with representatives of Kotulong Community Centre, we donated over 280 school shoes and socks to learners of Springfield School. Springfield School primarily caters to mildly intellectually disabled (MID) learners. The school offers vocational subjects such as Metal Work, Woodwork, Needlework and Office Administration.

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