



# BENEFITTING THE ENVIRONMENT AND SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITIES

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## DRIVING EDUCATION ACCESS

More young people are taking brave steps toward tertiary education, thanks to growing cooperation between the community, the Municipality, and long-standing partners supporting local development.

**For years, many learners struggled to apply for bursaries due to limited guidance, but recent support initiatives have changed that. Assistance with university applications and encouragement from the LED office have helped learners gain the confidence to apply for further studies.**

With few job opportunities in the area, families say these education pathways bring much-needed hope for the youth and open doors to a more secure future.

## FEMALE FARMER ENTERS COMMERCIAL MARKET



Maria Tswayi is moving closer to entering the commercial food market. After years of working her livestock farm with dedication, she received infrastructure support to restore her solar system, providing reliable water pumping, household power, and better communication tools.

As a respected woman in farming, Maria's progress inspires others, showing what is possible when rural entrepreneurs receive the backing they need to grow, create jobs, and uplift their communities.



**"This investment has strengthened her operations and supports local food resilience." - Noluthando Mazibuko, Economic Development Specialist**



## STRENGTHENING LOCAL BUSINESSES

An entrepreneurship programme is helping small businesses gain the skills needed to grow. Through a strong partnership between many public and private role players, over 30 entrepreneurs are receiving training in key business areas. The programme focuses on practical support, mentorship, and breaking barriers such as funding, compliance, and market access.



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