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WELCOME TO OUR Community Newsletter

IMPROVED WATER ACCESS FOR NOUPOORT RESIDENTS

Noupoort residents will soon have more reliable water access thanks to our new solar-powered initiative addressing water shortages from power outages, load-shedding, and cable theft.

In partnership with the **Umsobomvu Municipality** and **Envusa Energy**, three municipal boreholes and the main reservoir will be upgraded with solar pumps and remote monitoring. This will reduce reliance on traditional electricity and provide a more consistent water supply.

Led by Impact Water Solutions and supported by local company, Mabcor Facilities Solutions, the project will also create jobs for eight Noupoort residents and is set for completion by mid-June 2025.



“This initiative will not only improve water access but also lower carbon emissions and electricity costs.” - Vanessa Fredericks,
Economic Development Manager at Noupoort Wind Farm.

AGRICULTURE TRAINING EQUIPS FARMERS

In collaboration with Business Ezone Ventures and the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, we recently provided essential training to 16 local farmers.

Over four days, this Integrated Farm Planning and Management Course training focused on veld management and farm planning, addressing key challenges such as poor rotational grazing practices and outdated farm infrastructure.

“The programme has helped me gain new and invaluable knowledge that will enhance my farming practices.” - Mr. W. Stofile.



LIBRARY WEEK EMPOWERS COMMUNITIES

The Umsobomvu Library in Noupoort recently hosted its annual Library Week, themed ‘Libraries for Sustainable Communities’.

For 20 years, this event has promoted education and lifelong learning, bringing together schools, community members, and key stakeholders, including municipal managers and district official. Learners engaged in storytelling, discussions, and interactive sessions on Human Rights, Workers' Day, and Freedom Day.

“By supporting this event we are investing in the future of children and fostering a culture of learning that will have long-term benefits for the entire community.” - Vanessa Fredericks.

TRAINING UPLIFTS WOMEN AND YOUTH

In partnership with the Small Enterprise Development and Finance Agency (SEDFA), we funded a training programme, tailored for aspiring youth and women entrepreneurs in the construction industry.

Hosted by Business E-zone Ventures, the training provided participants with essential technical and business skills. It covered national building regulations, construction methods, health and safety, business planning, and financial management.

“Breaking into construction as a woman is not easy, but this programme gave me the skills, confidence, and network to grow my business.” – Thuliswa Madikane, a trainee.

