

MEDIA ALERT

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MEC Maloyi To Hand Over 600 Houses In Wolmaranstad As Part Of Human Rights Day

MEC for Human Settlements Public Safety and Liaison Nono Maloyi will on Friday hand over about 600 houses to the Wolmaranstad ext 13 families in the Maquassi-Hills local municipality. The Houses are part of the 8000 houses that are expected to be handed over between February and March.

The benefiting families are mostly those that have been evicted from local farms while others have been staying in informal settlements along the N12. In this housing project the department prioritized families headed by the elderly, child and people living with disability.

The handover is part of celebrating twenty years (20yrs) of freedom, and also in line with the Outcome 8 of the National Development Plan vision 2030 which is intended to improve the quality of people's lives and bring back dignity to the marginalised communities across the province as the country will be celebrating human rights day. ***Further thereto, this is a constitutional obligation enshrined in section 26, subsection 1 of the constitution, "Everyone has the right to have access to adequate housing"***

The hand over programme is also part of the department's service delivery initiative and reduction of housing backlog in the province.

The media is invited to witness the handover which will take place as follows:

Date: 21 March 2014

Time: 10H00

Venue: Wolmaranstad ext 13

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