

Media Statement

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NW housing developers awarded and honoured for their exceptional delivery

North West MEC for Human Settlements, Public Safety and Liaison, Nono Maloyi has encouraged housing developers contracted by the department to work together with the National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBRC) to ensure that they build quality houses.

Speaking during the recent Provincial Govan Mbeki Awards held at the Rustenburg Civic Centre, Maloyi said working hand-in-hand with the NHBRC, will reduce the continuous increasing number of rectifications in the province. "If you are contracted by the department and you work closely with the NHBRC, you are guaranteed to build quality houses and that will save us time and money for not dealing with rectification," Maloyi advised.

Presenting the awards to the winners, MEC Maloyi explained that Govan Mbeki Awards are designed to recognize an outstanding performance of contractors in building quality of houses and going an extra mile in making sure that people are housed in the true sense of human settlements. MEC Maloyi further encouraged those who did not win first prizes that they should never despair from doing the good work.

"It is through your efforts that as government we will achieve in the creation of human settlements that is habitable and also home to millions of fellow South African who continue to live in abject poverty. Human Settlement is not just about building houses, it is about transforming our cities and towns and building cohesive, sustainable and caring communities with closer access to work and social amenities, including sports and recreation facilities," Maloyi said.

Tlokwe Local Municipality was awarded the Best Accredited Municipality, Anglo American Platinum Mine went home with the Best Finance Linked Subsidy Project following their successful Seraleng housing project for their employees and Toro ya Africa scooped the award for the best Community Residential Units project in Tlokwe Local Municipality.

The Tlhabangani Trade Enterprise also managed to secure themselves a place at the national level when they take first position in the Best People's Housing Process Project (PHP) category, while the Best Informal Settlement Upgraded Project was awarded to Synchrocom (PTY)LTD, and Godirela Civils secured themselves an award on the Best Rural Project. Barzani Development was also awarded the Best Youth Contractor, whilst Best Woman Contractor was awarded to L&R Welding.

Govan Mbeki Awards is an annual event aimed at showcasing and demonstrating excellent work done by the department with special emphasis to promote best practices in the delivery of core mandate including outcome 8 deliverables. The awards are also meant to motivate all stakeholders in the Human Settlements space to harness the human and other resources in accelerating delivery, such as eradication of informal settlements in the province and the country at large.

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