

MEC's Christmas Message



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As the newly appointed Executive Authority, I would like to assure our communities during the festive season that the North West Government is hard at work to deliver on our promises. 2018 has brought with it much trials and tribulations, although these challenges are not greater than us and if we pull together in the spirit of wanting to change the lives of our people, we will be able to make it.

Many people worldwide are pre-occupied in getting ready to celebrate Christmas and the New Year. But we know that accidents, injuries and ill health can strike at anytime, and we should be aware of these. I truly urge you to be careful! Not only at work, but also when travelling.

It seems as if the world is constantly on the move and it's our combined responsibility to keep it safe for our fellow citizens. I wish for us in the province to be mindful of other people and make the province a better place for us all. The "Thuma Mina" philosophy should be embedded in all of us. Furthermore, The North West Liquor Board as the main role-player in the liquor industry and in the interests of safer and healthier societies wishes to remind all traders and consumers to be aware of the law during this month.

Also consider your health when consuming liquor as it may lead to unnecessary complications, and even worse, may lead to violence. The Department warns all citizens of the harmful effects the abuse of liquor has on our communities, and on the road. Our consumer office further advises that we take great care of our financial wellbeing at this time. It is a time where we may overspend and indebt ourselves without considering what we may need in the time ahead. Let us be mindful that January is the time for school to begin and we encourage all to save up for these necessities.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Head of Department, the EED team, stakeholders and our communities at large for the valuable contribution you have made in achieving our goals as the Department throughout this year. I wish you and your families an abundance of blessings at this festive time and please be safe in whatever you will be doing.



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