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MEC YAWA APPLAUDS PRIVATE SECTOR RESPONSE TO LITTLE GIRL'S PLIGHT

North West MEC for Public Works, Honourable Mr Howard Yawa announced the establishment of a trust for impoverished eleven-year-old girl, Mosetsana Setai by the Department's Private Partner, Maxima Global during the Department's 2005/06 MEC's Excellence Awards function held last Friday at the Barolong Boo-Ratshidi Community Hall near Mafikeng.

The little girl from Setlagole village survived a terrible fire accident that left her orphaned and facially badly disfigured when she was three months old.

The trust is meant to raise funds for reconstructive surgery for the little girl's face and to provide for her basic necessities including food, clothing, and other medical expenses. This will enable her to attend school and socialise with other children and eventually be integrated into society.

Maxima Global presented Mosetsana Setai with a cheque of R24 000,00 and pledged a further contribution of R24 000,00 towards the trust for two more years. Moved by the little girl's touching ordeal and desperate condition, Willie Webb Construction /Marang M Joint Venture and Mr Otsile Kole (an employee of the department) also pledged contributions of R24 000,00 and R1000, 00 respectively towards the Trust.

MEC Yawa commented Maxima Global for the initiative and called upon other stakeholders to contribute towards the trust.

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