

# FREE STATE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT



**AUGUST MONTH**

**51<sup>ST</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**PLAN OF ACTION**

**“Emancipation, Empowerment, Equality and  
Eradication of Poverty...NOW!”**

## **BACKGROUND**

***“Freedom cannot be achieved unless women have been emancipated from all forms of oppression”*** (Former President Nelson Mandela during the opening of South Africa’s first democratically elected Parliament on 24 May 1994.)

August has been set aside as **Women's Month** to celebrate and commemorate the contribution of women to the struggle for freedom in South Africa and the progress that has been made with regard to their empowerment. South African women will hold special events to commemorate their freedom from and contribution to the apartheid struggle on August 9, National Women's Day. The day also marks the 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the historic march of women to the Union buildings in 1956 in protest against pass laws that required Africans to carry a document on them to "prove" that they were allowed to enter areas reserved for white people under apartheid.

Numerous provincial events have also been organized to celebrate the month, including the Provincial Launch of the Progressive Women’s Movement. The Office of the Status of Women, the Commission on Gender Equality, various government departments in partnership with state entities and non governmental organizations has put together a number of activities to celebrate and honor women in the Province. As we celebrate the 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our democracy it is important to highlight achievements of women in this new dispensation.

## **1. OBJECTIVES**

- To engage women and the society in celebrating the 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the women's march and the 13<sup>th</sup> year of our democracy.
- To profile governments achievements in the past thirteen years as it relates to women's issues
- To highlight the challenges faced by young women
- To identify and propose effective young women's programmes for implementation by provincial government departments
- Push back the frontiers of poverty by engaging women as economical partners and giving them access to economic developmental opportunities
- To foster relationships and partnerships for broadening the women's sector and base for implementation of effective programmes
- To extent our lobby and advocacy work on the advancement of women in rural areas

## **2. ACTIVITIES**

- The nature of activities must embrace the 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the women's march and must be all inclusive in terms of race, gender, geographic location and the rural/urban divide.
- The young women's programmes must ensure participation by young women across colour lines
- There must be creativity throughout all activities and on the 9 August all efforts must be put towards the successful launch of the Provincial Progressive Women's Movement.
- All attempts must be made to involve all stakeholders, for economic development projects in their respective areas
- All programmes must respond to the millennium development goals in order to ensure government commitment to eradicate poverty by half in 2015.
- Activities should highlight departmental achievements relating to the empowerment of women including young women's programmes.

### 3 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

The following are activities that will unfold throughout the month of August including various preparatory meetings with relevant stakeholders:

01 August	Launch of August month Programme
02 August	Women and Poverty Summit: Xhariep
03 August	Road Show to increase women participation in Community safety and eradication of crime
03 August	Fezile Dabi Launch of Safe House for children
06 August	Departmental Women's Breakfast
07 August	Rural Woman and Human Rights
08 August	Information Session Emerging Contractors
09 August	National Women's Day
09 August	Gala Dinner with the SABC
09 August	Women's Seminar on Road Safety
10 August	Workshop on PWMSA
10 August	Road Show to increase women participation in Community safety and eradication of crime
10 August	Agricultural Women Indaba
11 August	Celebrating Women
14 August	Information Session PMTCT
14 August	Information Session Emerging Contractors
14 August	Agricultural Women Indaba
15 August	Women in Jeopardy – Seminar
16 August	Women and Human Rights
17 August	Women in Local Government
17 August	Xhariep District Women's Day Celebration
17 August	50/50 networking session
17 August	Provincial Female Farmer of the Year
17 August	Access to economic opportunities for women
17 August	Information Session Emerging Contractors
18 August	Girl Child Programme
18 August	Candlelight service
18 – 19 August	Boys and Girls Education Movement District Summit
20 August	Departmental Women's Breakfast
21 August	Young Women Seminar
21 August	Agricultural Women Indaba
22 August	Information Session PMTCT
23 August	Launch of Women's Co-operatives
24 August	Unemployed Young Women Luncheon
24 August	Departmental Women in Dialogue Seminar
24 August	Women access to Justice Seminar
24 August	Information Session Emerging Contractors
25 August	Young Women Poetry Evening
25 August	Young Women Parliament
27 August	Departmental Women in Dialogue
27 August	Departmental Gala Dinner
27 August	Women Indaba
28 – 30 August	Young Women Retreat
29 August	Women and the Environment
30 August	Widowhood Dialogue
30 August	Young Women Business Dialogue
30 August	Women rights dialogue for women with disabilities
31 August	Department Women Gala Dinner
31 – 2 September	Women in Tourism
01 September	Launch of the Progressive Women's Movement

## **B DETAILED SCHEDULE FOR WOMEN'S MONTH PROGRAMME**

Hereunder is a detailed scheduled of all activities for the ensuing month, all the required information with regard to each activity is listed in a detailed manner hereunder:

### **1. CONSULTATION PROCESS**

From 23 – 27 July 2007 will have consultations with various institutions to brief them on the August Month Programme and to solicit their input in this regard. This is done against the background that various government departments, municipalities and civil society organizations have their individual initiatives for the month of August and the consultation will therefore serve to bring all these initiatives together in a coordinated manner.

#### **1.1 Consultation with Municipalities**

Consultation with municipalities shall be made through a meeting with all the gender focal persons and shall be held as follows:

**DATE:** 23 July 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** Room 526, Special Programmes Boardroom  
Lebohang Building, BLOEMFONTEIN  
**AGENDA:** August Month Programme  
**CONTACT:** Manakedi Nakedi Tel: 051-405 4022

#### **1.2 Consultation with State Entities**

A meeting with all Provincial State Entities to form partnership on the various programme that government will embark on during August month.

**DATE:** 24 July 2007  
**TIME:** 11h00  
**VENUE:** Room 506, Special Programmes Boardroom  
Lebohang Building, BLOEMFONTEIN  
**AGENDA:** August Month Programme  
**CONTACT:** Debbie Lesshope-Modise Tel: 051-405 5424

### **1.3 Consultation with Departments**

Consultation with departmental gender focal persons and special programme officer will be held to consolidate all inputs regarding August Month including departmental activities.

**DATE:** 25 July 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** Room 526, Special Programmes Boardroom  
Lebohang Building, BLOEMFONTEIN  
**AGENDA:** August Month Programme  
**CONTACT:** Debbie Lesshope-Modise Tel: 051-405 5424

### **1.4 Meeting with Heads of Offices (MEC's & HOD's)**

The purpose of this meeting is to solicit support and commitment for the August Month Programme from the various Heads of Departments to ensure that attention is giving to the implementation and mainstreaming of women's programmes in their various departments

**DATE:** 30 July 2007  
**TIME:** 11h00  
**VENUE:** Room 601, Policy Unit Boardroom  
Lebohang Building, BLOEMFONTEIN  
**AGENDA:** August Month Programme  
**CONTACT:** Portia Tlaetsi Tel: 051 – 403 3903

## **2. LAUNCH OF AUGUST MONTH PROGRAMME**

Launching of the Women's Month Programme by the Hon Premier F. B. Marshoff followed by a campaign of female staff members of the Department of the Premier to work in communities around Mangaung where women receive services. Furthermore during the launch Premier will announce various other programmes that are targeting the empowerment of women such as the:

- Poverty Alleviation Programme for Rural Women that will be official launch on the 15 October on World Rural Women's Day,
- The Free State Business Women's Working Group that will serve as an advisory body to the Premier and will report on a quarterly basis on reviewing funding models from the various state entities, obstacles experienced by women when accessing funding.

- Programme targeting elderly women to be launched on the International Day of the Elderly specifically looking at the problems experienced by elderly women.

**DATE:** Wednesday, 01 August 2007  
**SPEAKERS:** Premier, Hon. F. B. Marshoff  
**CONTACT:** Debbie Lesshope-Modise Tel: 051-405 5424  
 Manakedi Nakedi Tel: 051-405 4022

### **3. TOURISM MARKETING CONFERENCE**

The Free State Tourism Authority in partnership with the TOMSA will be hosting a one day conference creating awareness on opportunities available in the industry.

**Date:** 02 August 2007  
**TIME:** 09h00  
**VENUE:** Claredon Hall, BLOEMFONTEIN  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Phomolo Mokele Tel: 051 – 411 4300  
 Mobile: 079 498 0547

### **4. LAUNCH OF A CHILDREN'S SAFE HOUSE**

The Mafube Municipality in partnership with Fezile Dabi District will launch their women's month programme to coincide with the launch of a safe house for abuse and neglected children.

**DATE:** 03 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** FRANKFORT  
**CONTACT:** Jiba Skosana Mobile: 073 613 3500

### **5. ROAD SHOW ON CRIME PREVENTION**

The Department of Safety Security and Liaison will embark on two road shows to increase women participation in Community Safety and eradication of crime.

**DATE:** 3 August 2007 (WINBURG)  
 10 August 2007 (EDENVILLE)  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**SPEAKER:** MEC P Morule  
**CONTACT:** Ms Moipone Leputla Tel: 051- 409 8825  
 Mobile: 082 414 9483

## **6. DEPARTMENTAL WOMEN'S BREAKFAST**

The MEC Mr P Morule will honor the women employees of the Department Safety, Security and Liaison with a women's breakfast for the work they so diligent do due the year and that as women they deserved to be spoilt for the day.

**DATE:** Monday, 06 August 2007  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN  
**SPEAKER:** MEC Mr. P. Morule  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Moipone Leputla **Tel: 051- 409 8825**  
Mobile: 082 414 9483

## **7. RURAL WOMEN AND SOCIAL GRANTS**

The Department of Social Development will embark on an information session for rural women in making grants available. The focus will be on women in farm areas.

**DATE:** 07 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** BOTHAVILLE  
**CONTACT:** Mr. Sememeru Masemola **Tel: 051-409 0661**  
Mobile: 076 717 8280

## **8. NATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY PROGRAMME**

This year there Premier in partnership with the Commission on gender Equality will host a Women's Prayer Day to be held in Bloemfontein. This prayer day will be addressed by the Premier, Hon F. B. Marshoff.

### **8.1 FIRST SESSION: RETRACING THE 1956 MARCH**

The first session preceding the formal sessions will be a march by women to commemorate and retrace the footsteps of the 1956 women's march to Union Buildings. The march will be led by women church leaders and serve to highlight discrimination of women in various facets of life.

## **8.2 SECOND SESSION: WOMEN'S PRAYER DAY**

The Women's Prayer day will be held at Vista Arena by women from all church denominations and various religious groups. The Women will pray for the entrenchment of rights of women and the end to abuse. They will also pray for prosperity of the Province and the success of government endeavours.

**TIME:** 10h00 – 14H00  
**SPEAKERS:** Premier F. B. Marshoff

## **8.3 THIRD SESSION: WOMEN'S DAY GOSPEL MUSIC CONCERT**

The Music Concert will feature women's gospel groups from both locally and nationally. The Concert shall take place at the Vista Arena immediately after the prayer services and a keynote address by the Premier.

**TIME:** 14h30  
**PERFORMANCES BY:** Local Artist

**CONTACT:** Debbie Lesshope-Modise  
Manakedi Nakedi  
Tel: 051-405 5424  
Tel: 051-405 4022

## **9. WOMEN AND ROAD SAFETY**

Fezile Dabi Distict Municipality in partnership with Metsimaholo Traffic Department will facilitate a road safety seminar for women.

**DATE:** 09 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** SASOLBURG  
**CONTACT:** Jiba Skosana  
Me Setungoane  
Mobile: 073 613 3500  
Mobile: 076 579 0237

## **10. PROGRESSIVE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT WORKSHOP**

The steering committee of the Progressive Women's Movement will facilitate an information workshop for all women structures in the Province.

**DATE:** 10 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10H00  
**VENUES:** KROONSTAD  
**CONTACT:** Sisi Ntombela  
Mobile: 072 424 2400

## **11. WOMEN INDABA**

The Department of Agriculture will be facilitating the women indaba discussing issues of women and agriculture and opportunities for women in the sector.

**DATE:** 10, 14 and 17 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** BETHLEHEM, WELKOM and TROMPSBURG  
**CONTACT:** Mr. Lalu Tel: 051-506 1517  
082 451 3352

## **12. CELEBRATING WOMEN'S MONTH**

The Free State Young Women's Network in partnership with the Moqhaka Local Municipality will be celebrating the achievements of young women

**DATE:** 11 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** KROONSTAD  
**CONTACT:** Lulama Titi Mobile: 076 266 0414

## **13. PREVENTION OF MOTHER TO CHILD TRANSMISSION**

The HIV and AIDS unit in the Premier's Department in partnership with the Department of Health will hold information sessions at various service points to inform women on issues related to HIV and AIDS and prevention of mother to child transmission during and after pregnancies as well as infant feeding.

**DATE:** 14 and 21 August 2007  
**TIME:** 09h00  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN  
**CONTACT:** Mrs. Ketumetsi Malebo Tel: 051-408 1692  
Mobile: 082 900 0273

## **14. WOMEN AND HUMAN RIGHTS**

The Department of Social Development will embark on an information session informing women about the type of service the department is providing in dealing with matters of HIV and AIDS in our community.

**DATE:** 17 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** INTABAZWE, HARRISMAITH  
**CONTACT:** Mr. Sememeru Masemola Tel: 051-409 0661  
Mobile: 076 717 8280

## **15. WOMEN IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

The Department of Local Government and Housing is embarking on an internal assessment to establish how far the department has progressed with regard to the 50/50 target in terms of employment of women in senior positions and how it could assist in developing strategies and mechanisms to achieve the required target.

**DATE:** 17 August 2007  
**TIME:** 07h30  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN  
**SPEAKERS:** Commissioner Bafana Khumalo (CGE)  
**CONTACT:** Mr. Gift Silingile Tel: 051-407 6726  
Mobile: 084 499 9234

## **16. DISTRICT WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION**

The Department of Education, Xhariep District will be celebrating women's day with its educators, learners and district officials.

**DATE:** 17 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** ZASTRON  
**CONTACT:** Mr. V. Gubuza Tel: 051-404 8084  
Mobile: 082 896 7318

## **17. 50/50 WOMEN NETWORKING**

The women of Fezile Dabi will be dialoguing on the 50/50 target and how they can improve and build capacity to ensure our targets are being sustained.

**DATE:** 17 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** VILLIERS  
**CONTACT:** Jiba Skosana Mobile: 073 613 3500  
Sisi Ntombela Mobile: 072 424 2400

## **18. PROVINCIAL FEMALE FARMER OF THE YEAR**

The Department of Agriculture as an annual event will be hosting the female farmer of the year, whereby women that has been involved in the various sectors of agriculture in the province will be acknowledged. This event further culminates into the national event where the national female farmer of the year is acknowledged in the various categories of farming.

**DATE:** 17 August 2007  
**TIME:** 18h30  
**VENUE:** To be confirmed  
**SPEAKERS:** Hon. Premier F. B. Marshoff  
MEC Agriculture Mr. M. C. Mokitlane  
**CONTACT:** Mr. Lalu Tel: 051-506  
082 451 3352

## **19. ACCESS TO ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN**

The Commission on Gender Equality will facilitate a campaign on access to economic opportunities for women in rural and urban areas in the Thabo Mofutsanyana District.

**DATE:** 17 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** THABO MOFUTSANYANA DISTRICT  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Thandi Sigodi Tel: 051 – 430 8312  
Mobile: 082 202 2654

## **20. GIRL CHILD PROGRAMME**

The Free State Young Women's Network will be hosting a one day event focusing on the empowerment of the girl child.

**DATE:** 18 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN  
**CONTACT:** Lulama Titi Mobile: 076 266 0414

## **21. CANDLE LIGHT MEMORIAL**

The Fezile Dabi District will hold a candle light memorial service for victims of abuse, focusing on women that have been killed by their spouses / boyfriends and young children that are abused.

**DATE:** 18 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** HEILBRON  
**CONTACT:** Jiba Skosana  
Phindile Motha

**Mobile: 073 613 3500**  
**Mobile: 073 148 2696**

## **22. BOYS AND GIRLS EDUCATION MOVEMENT SUMMIT**

The Department of Education in partnership with the Commission on Gender Equality will be hosting a summit for girls and boys to discuss issues of masculinity and femininity.

**DATE:** 18 – 19 August 2007  
**VENUE:** Aasvoelberg Outdoor Centre  
ZASTRON  
**CONTACT:** Mr. V. Gubuza  
Mobile: 082 896 7318

**Tel: 051-404 8084**

## **23. WOMEN HEALTH DIALOGUE**

The Free State Department of Health will be facilitating a dialogue on women's health issues.

**DATE:** 20 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN  
**CONTACT:** Mrs. Keitumetsi Malebo  
Mobile: 082 900 0273

**Tel: 051-408 1692**

#### **24. YOUNG WOMEN SEMINAR**

The purpose of the seminar is to bring together young women between the ages of 18 – 25 years from their diverse groupings to interact and identify the critical issues affecting young women in the Province. Issues that will further be covered during the seminar relates to Young women and the Media, Teenage Pregnancies, HIV and AIDS and Young Women in Business/ access to finance.

**DATE:** 21 August 2007  
**TIME:** 08h30  
**VENUE:** Floreat Hall, BLOEMFONTEIN  
**SPEAKERS:** Hon Premier F. B. Marshoff  
Business Women Association/NAFCOC  
Marie Stopes

**CONTACT:** Debbie Lesshope-Modise Tel: 051-405 5424  
Manakedi Nakedi Tel: 051-405 4022

#### **25. LAUNCHING OF WOMEN COOPERATIVES**

The Department of Tourism, Environment and Economic Affairs will be launching women's cooperatives in the province and will further support and solicit markets for the co-operatives to become economically sustainable.

**DATE:** 23 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** MUCPP, KAGISANONG, BLOEMFONTEIN  
**SPEAKERS:** MEC N Masithela  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Maserame Tlailane  
Mobile: 082 828 3899

Tel: 051-400 4906

#### **26. DEPARTMENTAL WOMEN'S 'show us your other side'**

The MEC Me. Z. Dlungwana will be hosting an entertaining event for women in the department whereby they would have an opportunity to network with each other and know in building good working relations.

**DATE:** 24 August 2007  
**TIME:** 11h30  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN  
**CONTACT:** Mr. Sememeru Masemola  
Mobile: 076 717 8280

Tel: 051-409 0661

## **27. WOMEN IN DIALOGUE**

The Department of Education will host a Provincial Women's Dialogue that will discuss gender issues affecting the service delivery of quality education for all.

**DATE:** 24 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** WELKOM  
**CONTACT:** Mr. V. Gubuza  
Mobile: 082 896 7318

**Tel: 051-404 8084**

## **28. WOMEN ACCESS TO JUSTICE SEMINAR**

The Commission on Gender Equality will be hosting a women's access to justice seminar for women in rural areas.

**DATE:** 24 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** SMITHFIELD  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Thandi Sigodi  
Mobile: 082 202 2654

**Tel: 051-430 8312**

## **29. UNEMPLOYED YOUNG WOMEN LUNCHEON**

The Young Women's Network in consultation with the Matjhabeng Local Municipality will be hosting a luncheon for unemployed young women focusing on employment opportunities for young women.

**DATE:** 24 August 2007  
**TIME:** 12h00  
**VENUE:** WELKOM  
**CONTACT:** Lulama Titi

**Mobile: 076 266 0414**

## **30. YOUNG WOMEN POETRY EVENING**

An exiting poetry evening by young aspiring poets will be hosted by the Free State Young Women's Network in partnership with the Maluti-A-Phofung Local Municipality.

**DATE:** 25 August 2007  
**TIME:** 18h00  
**VENUE:** QWAQWA  
**CONTACT:** Lulama Titi

**Mobile: 076 266 0414**

### **31. YOUNG WOMEN PARLIAMENT**

The Fezile Dabi District will embark on a young women's parliament to engage young women in articulating issues that affects them as young women and their expectations from the district including the various municipalities to respond to their needs.

**DATE:** 25 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** VILJOENSKROON  
**CONTACT:** Jiba Skosana  
Mr. Magadlela

**Mobile: 073 613 3500**  
**Tel: 056 – 216 9101**

### **32. DEPARTMENTAL WOMEN IN DIALOGUE**

The Department of Tourism Environment and Economic Affairs will be hosting a women's dialogue where women will discuss issues affecting them in their strive to build a positive image of the department.

**DATE:** 27 August 2007  
**TIME:** 09h00  
**VENUE:** Bojanala Building, BLOEMFONTEIN  
**SPEAKER:** MEC N. Masithela  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Maserame Tlailane  
Mobile: 082 828 3899

**Tel: 051-400 4906**

### **33. WOMEN INDABA**

The Free State Provincial Treasury will host a women indaba for women dealing with issues affecting women in the community.

**DATE:** 27 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Theo Segoe  
Mobile: 072 850 5255

**Tel:**

### **34. WOMEN AND SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD**

The Department of Social Development will host a women and poverty summit in the Xhariep District addressing issues of poverty and the impact on women and support that the department is providing to destitute women.

**DATE:** 28 – 29 August 2007  
**VENUE:** GARIEP DAM  
**SPEAKERS:** MEC Z. Dlungwana  
**CONTACT:** Mr. Sememeru Masemola **Tel: 051-409 0661**  
Mobile: 076 717 8280

### **35. YOUNG WOMEN RETREAT**

25 young women will be attending a retreat whereby they will be assisted in various ways to become self reliant, build confidence and broaden their scope of development. These young women will have the opportunity to market themselves and to further ensure that they are able to get into any market related environment that they may be faced with. The programme will further assess them in their personal development plans and develop profiles of the individuals that could further assist them when embarking on securing the necessary assistance in achieving the goals. Furthermore the office will assist in profiling these individuals to the necessary institutions that could be of assistance in supporting them.

**DATE:** 28 – 30 August  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN HOTEL  
**CONTACT:** Debbie Lesshope-Modise **Tel: 051-405 5424**  
Manakedi Nakedi **Tel: 051-405 4022**

### **36. WOMEN AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

The DTEEA will embark on a information session to assess its implementation relating to its implementation of the WSSD, Agenda 21 and various other resolutions taken regarding the environment relating to women and the environment and the role women could play in saving our environment from degradation.

**Date:** 29 August 2007  
**Time:** 10h00  
**Venue:** KAREE NURSERY, BLOEMFONTEIN  
**Speakers:** MEC N. Masithela  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Maserame Tlailane **Tel: 051-400 4906**  
Mobile: 082 828 3899

### **37. YOUNG WOMEN BUSINESS SEMINAR**

The Young Women's Network in collaboration with the Manguang Local Municipality and various other stakeholders will be hosting a business seminar for aspiring young women who would like to venture into business opportunities.

**DATE:** 30 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN  
**CONTACT:** Lulama Titi **Mobile: 076 266 0414**

### **38. HUMAN RIGHTS DIALOGUE**

The Disabled Persons South Africa will facilitate a dialogue for disabled women on “**Human Rights are Women's Rights**” emphasizing on the rights of disabled women and girl children.

**DATE:** 30 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** FEZILE DABI DISTRICT  
**CONTACT:** Me. Ntsoaki Keiso **Tel: 051-400 4711**  
**Mobile: 082 828 9262**

### **39. WIDOWHOOD DIALOGUE**

The Commission on Gender Equality (CGE) has embarked on a widowhood project and will be releasing its findings on the challenges faced by widows. Participants to the research as well as various stakeholders have been invited to the dialogue.

**DATE:** 30 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** THABA NCHU  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Thandi Sigodi **Tel: 051-430 8312**  
**Mobile: 082 202 2654**

### **40. WOMEN IN TOURISM**

The Department of Tourism Environment and Economic Affairs together with the Free State Tourism Authority will be launching tourism month focusing on women in tourism and the type of services available to women in the industry.

**DATE:** 31 August 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:** Willem Pretorius, VENTERSBURG  
**CONTACT:** Ms. Maserame Tlailane **Mobile: 082 828 3899**  
Ms. Phomolo Mokeule **Mobile: 079 498 0547**

#### **41. GALA DINNER**

The Department of Public Work Roads and Transport, will be hosting a gala dinner in honor of their women employees.

**DATE:** 31 August 2007  
**TIME:** 18h30  
**VENUE:** BLOEMFONTEIN  
**SPEAKER:** MEC Mohai  
**CONTACT:** Emily Khuzwayo  
Obakeng Setlogelo

**Tel: 051-403 3533**  
**Tel: 051-405 4371**

#### **42. LAUNCH OF THE PROGRESSIVE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT**

The Progressive Women's Movement South Africa will be launching its Provincial Chapter of the structure at the closing of the women's month. The structure will bring together women from various institutions and formations to interact and work together on the various challenges faced by women.

**DATE:** 01 September 2007  
**TIME:** 10h00  
**VENUE:**  
**SPEAKER:** Premier F B Marshoff  
**Contact:** Me. S. Ntombela

**Mobile: 072 424 2400**

