

Aganang Local Municipality Celebrates Woman's Month through empowering Madietane village



Motivational Speaker, Mrs Nkoana receiving a token of appreciation from her Worship Mayor, Cllr Maria Mokobodi and Survivor of Domestic Violence, Mrs Matlala who encouraged women to move away from abusive partners. Behind: Cllr Betty Moraba and Cllr Lebo Sebelebele accompanied Her Worship Mayor.

Her Worship Mayor Cllr Maria Mokobodi celebrated women's month with Madietane community on Wednesday, 26 August 2015 to commemorate the 1956 Women who participated in a national march petitioned against pass laws and oppression of the apartheid regime. Aganang Local Municipality partnered with Matlala Victim Empowerment (VEP), Matlala SAPS, Department of Education and Social Development to fight domestic violence, women abuse and children abuse experienced mostly by rural women. "Today we have gathered in Madietane Primary School to celebrate women and educate each other about the problems we deal with on a daily basis as mothers in our families. We need to talk openly about abuse in order to solve it by knocking on government doors for help", said Her Worship Mayor, Cllr Mokobodi.



Aganang Councilors embracing the bravery of 1956 on Women's day in Madietane.

The bravery of 1956 women paved ways for women to be empowered in South Africa. Her Worship Mayor, Cllr Mokobodi praised the courage of 1956 women for providing women with opportunities to be everything they dream of in their lives.” Today as we speak, I am the Mayor of Aganang Local Municipality, the 1956 women brought us democracy and freedom to grab opportunities available to us through women empowerment. Let us work together and support each other as women who are mothers and providers in our communities”, urged Her Worship, Cllr Mokobodi.



Matlala SAPS, Constable Kunutu encouraged women not to sacrifice marriages with their children.

Aganang women were requested to respect and be humbled to their partners and husbands at all times to reduce domestic violence crime and abuse at homes. Her Worship Mayor, Cllr Mokobodi said Madietane village was selected by the municipality as an area for concern due to the high rate of women and children abuse as statistics showed by Matlala SAPS.



Madietane women being empowered during Aganang Women's Day celebration.

Motivational Speaker of the day, Mrs Nkoana encouraged who women to walk tall and cherish their womanhood. She motivated women to be patient, loving, understanding and protecting in their families. "We married out of love, when love turned into hate, we turn out to be enemies. If you face problems in your family, find a good strategy of addressing them without insulting your husband", motivated Mrs Nkoana.