

## **Beyond Shoes: Council's Donation Impact**

Earlier in the year, Council donated school shoes and socks to learners at Mafini S.P. Primary School in the Eastern Cape. It became apparent that the learners' needs go beyond shoes and socks. For this reason, the celebration of Mandela Month at Council centred around colleagues donating essential items, new and preloved, to the learners of Mafini S.P. Primary School.

Donated items were handed over to the school on November, Council representatives were welcomed by representatives from the Department of Education, School Governing Body, Nyandeni Local Municipality, Education Support Services System, along with the local Traditional Leader.

These items included, but not limited to, school uniforms, toiletries, and sanitary items. The Mandela Month Donation Drive is an initiative Council hopes to turn into a tradition, and further cement our efforts in contributing positively to the communities in which we operate.

The donation drive received an overwhelming support, with Council's regional offices equally participating and showing support.

To afford everyone the opportunity to contribute, the donation drive was extended beyond July and donations kept on coming for all of August. In true Madiba fashion, employees came together in the spirit of contributing positively to society.