

Department of Local Government and Human Settlements

BUDGET SPEECH 2017/18

SUMMARY



Integrated Development Planning (IDP)

- Municipalities have submitted and adopted their 4th Generation IDP process plans to guide the delivery of services by our respective municipalities in line with the five concretes of the current administration.
- Workshops will be held to empower councils and council committees to strengthen their oversight capacity
- The North West Spatial Planning & Land Use Management Bill (NWSPLUMB) has been finalized and it will assist in making an impact in the transformation of our spatial landscape.

Municipal Development and Planning

- 19 000 jobs will be created through the Community Works Programme in 2017/2018
- R2,4 million will be spent on Expanded Public Works Programme – EPWP to alleviate poverty and provide income through temporary work for the unemployed.

Disaster Management

- R10 million has been set aside for the disasters in the province
- A drought mitigation task team has been established to ensure implementation of drought mitigation strategies

Local Economic Development

- Local Economic Development (LED) will be placed in the Mayors offices to provide leadership and enhance industrialisation
- At least 5% of MIG should be allocated for LED infrastructure projects and also to ring fence 15% of MIG for sport and recreation facilities.

Municipal Administration

- Support will be given to municipalities to build leadership and management capacity of ward committees to ensure that they are responsive to the community needs.
- The merger of Ventersdorp and NW405 is at 90% completion including rationalisation of policies and bi-laws.
- Ward councillors to use Setsokotsane ward based operation centres to address issues affecting communities.

Housing Development

- R2 billion has been set aside for the delivery of 17 874 housing opportunities including 29 903 title deeds which include the backlog and the new title deeds
- The department has planned to deliver 205 housing units for military veterans
- The department has adopted a new human settlement delivery approach called the Bietjie-Bietjie maak meer within the context of Villages, Township and Small Dorpies preferential procurement strategy. Small contractors (level 1-4) whilst bigger contractors will also be tied to a contract to support this initiative.
- Stern measures will be taken against contractors to uproot fraud and corruption in the implementation of housing projects.
- A set of regulations will be developed to manage unapproved human settlements and the spread of informal settlements.

Provincial and Municipal Infrastructure Grants

- The PIG will be used for water and sanitation projects in various municipalities
- The municipal infrastructure grant will increase to R 1,7 billion to address infrastructure backlogs

Waste Management

- R7 million has been set aside to address waste management, cleanliness and implement alternative waste management methodologies

Municipal Finance and Support

- Department of Finance, Economy and Enterprise Development - FEED, has put up a package to assist municipalities, which include strengthening oversight on municipal finances.
- Operation Audit Rooms will assist municipalities that are receiving disclaimer audit opinions

North West Housing Corporation

- R30 million has been set aside for NWHC.
- NWHC to take over the management of the Mahikeng Community Residential Units (CRUs) which will alleviate the rental housing shortage.

PROGRAMME

ADMINISTRATION	R 228 720 000
LOCAL GOVERNANCE	R 50 200 000
DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING	R 164 555
HOUSING NEEDS PLANNING AND RESEARCH	R 27 506 000
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	R 2 238 181 000
TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL PROGRAMMES	2 709 162 000

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