

# Vuk'uzenzele

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## Entrepreneur trades trash for community dignity

**A FORMAL** recycling buy-back centre in Soweto is uplifting the community in the spirit of Nelson Mandela Month.



**Owen Mngadi**

**S**manga Mthembu, a Soweto entrepreneur who is making a difference in his community through his recycling business, is living up to the Nelson Mandela Day theme to 'Do what you can, with what you have, where you are'.

By transforming an illegal dumping site into a reliable, award-winning recycling business called Umphakathi Recyclers, the 30-year-old is empowering his community and helping to provide dignified funerals, while looking after the environment.

It all started after Mthembu dropped out of university due to a lack of funding and tried his hand at recycling. After collecting a large bag of paper, which he sold to a nearby informal recycling centre, he noticed that most of his fellow recyclers were very poor. "You could see that many people were 'eating from hand to mouth'."

He decided to find out more about the recycling sector and learnt that it offers many opportunities for improving lives – if done properly. These were the first steps towards the establishment of Umphakathi Recyclers.

Mthembu became a member of the Polyethylene Terephthalate Recycling Company (Petco) – a non-profit company that promotes plastic recycling across the country and helps ensure recyclers have a place to sell what they collect, at a fair price – and set about finding a suitable site. He identified a neglected school that had been turned into an illegal dumping area and approached the ward councillor for assistance in

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# Sive setfu sililela kulahleka kwetimphilo letincane engotini yasetjwaleni eNyobeni

## Sihle Manda

**E**mavikini lambalwa lengcile iminde-ni yaselokishini laseScenery Park e-East London, itfole tindzaba wonkhe umtali lathandazela kutsi angativa.

Batjelwe kutsi bantfwana babo labange-21 batfolakale bashonile, ethaveni.

Umntfwana lomncane kakhulu labelapho bekane-minyaka le-13 budzala.

Luphenyo lwemaphoyisa lwalengoti luchubeka ngekushesha.

Ngemphumela walo-luphenya, masipala waseDolobhenikati iBuffalo ubuka kutsi lethaveni ngabe ayikayephuli yini imitsetfosimiso yamasipala.

Emicabangweni yetfu kanye nasemithandazweni yetfu sikhumbula leminde-ni lebukene nalolusizi lolungaka lolungakhulumeki.

Siyamncoma hulumende wesifundza saseMphumalanga Kapa ngekusita leminde-ni levellewe ngulengoti, kanye na-AVBOB lotsembise kutsi utawusita leminde-ni ngekubangcwa-bela.

Ngisho nome ngabe tiphatsimandla tingalinga kuhlanganisa kutsi kwentekeni kute kutsi kube nebulungiswa kulabo labavelelwe ngulengoti, kusanenkhulumo lekumele kutsi sibenayo njenge-live. Yindzaba yenkinga yekunatsa tjwala kwebantfwana labasebancane.

Titfombe nemifanekiso

letfunyelwe etinkhundleni tekuchumana yelidzili lelatiwa ngekutsi 'kubeka phasi emapeni' kuleyo ndzawo ebusuku kubonakala bantfu labasha batijabulisa babambe emabhodlela etjwala. Bonkhe labalapho kuletitfombe babukeka basengakaphumi ekubeni ngemabhobhodle-lana netidzandzane.

Linyenti lebantfu labasha baseScenery Park batjele betindzaba kutsi bona babone tatiso etinkhundleni tekuchumana, lebetikhangisa ngekutfolakala kwetjwala bamahhala kubo bonkhe labatawuhambela lomcimbi ngalobo busuku.

Kukhula kwekuvumeleka emmangweni kwebantfu kutsi banatse tjwala sekugucuke kwaba yinkinga lenkhulu kulelive lapho khona linyenti lebantfu labanatsako sevele batsatfwa njengetidzakwa Yinhlango Yemhlaba Yetemphilo.

Kunatswa kwetjwala lusha kubanga kutsi kube nekungasebenti kahle, nekuphutselwa kuya esikolweni, netingoti letiphatselene netjwala, nemicabango yekutibulala nekulinga kutibulala, kanye nekutiphatsa ngendlela lenebungoti.

Kufanele kutsi sihlango-ne silwe nalesihlava lesibulala likusasa lebantfu labasha kanye neminyaka yabo lemhle yekuphila, lesibenta kutsi babe tigcila tetjwala.

Njengemindeneni kufanele

kutsi sibe netinkhulumiswano letivulekile letimayelana netjwala futsi sibeke imikhawulo. Akukho emtsetfweni kunatsa kwebantfwana labangephasi kweminyaka le-18.

Njengebantfu labadzala kufanele kutsi siyiyekele lemikhuba yekutfuma bantfwana kutsi bayositse-ngela tjwala noma yekuvuma uma basicela kutsi sibatsengele tjwala.

Akusiko kwekucala kutsi sihlangebetane nesehlakalo letibuhlungu lesifana nalesi lesenteke eScenery Park kuleliviki leliphelile.

Intfo lebonakala kuto tonkhe letehlakalo sasethaveni yaseNyobeni, senhlekelele yasenzaweni yekutijabulisa yasebusuku eThrob eDurban ngeninyaka we-2000, kanye nasethaveni yase-Osi Ekhayelitsha ngeminyaka we-2015, ngukutsi tonkhe letindzawo betitsengisela bantfwana labancane tjwala.

Kuchubeka kwetindzawo tephule imitsetfo kukhombisa kutsi tiphatsimandla tiyehluleka kugcina kulandzelwa kwemtsetfo.

NgekweMtsetfo Wave-lonkhe Wetjwala, banikati betindzawo letinetimvume tekutsengisa tjwala abakavunyelwa kutsi batsengisele nome ngabe ngubani loneminyaka lengephasi kwe-18.

Kufanele kutsi batsatse tinyatselo letivakalako kucinisekisa kutsi nome

ngabe ngubani labamtse-ngisela tjwala mdzala.

Sicela yonkhe imimmango kutsi isebentisane netiphatsimandla kucinisekisa kutsi emathaveni, emashibhini, tindzawo tekucedza situnge kanye netekutijabulisa letephula umtsetfo tiyajeziswa.

Sicela emaphoyisa etfu kutsi aphakamise kugcinwa kwemtsetfo lovimbela kutsengiswa kwetjwala edvute netikolo futsi ente kutsi kube nekucashelwa kwaletu tindzawo kute kucinisekiswe kutsi tjwala abutsengiselwa bantfwana.

Lenye intfo lelinciniso kutsi tjwala buyindlela yekubalekela liciniso lemphiloyebantfu labasha emimangweni lapho khona kute tindzawo letiphephile netekukhibika letihambisana neminyaka yabo.

Ummango waseScenery Park ubale kweswelakala kwemidlalo, kwetinsita tekufundza kanye naletinye tinsita tekutfutukisa bantfu labasha, njengesizatfu lesibaholela kutsi 'bagijimele emathaveni.' Ngemva kwalengoti, ummango utsite kute tinkhundla tekudlala, imitapomabhuku yemmango nome tikhungo telusha lapha eScenery Park.

Njengahulumende ezingeni lavelonkhe, lesifundza nasezingeni lahulumende wendzawo kufuneka kutsi siphendvule kuletice-losikhalo talommango kanye netaleminye imimmango ngekutsi sisungu-

le tindzawo tekukhibika letinyenti, tinsita, tinhlelo, kanye nemiklamo yelusha lwetfu kuletindzawo lebetincishwe ematfuba kulesifundza.

Labanye balingani betfu kutenhlalo labafana nabosomabhizinisi bemmango kufuneka kutsi basisite ngeminikelo.

Njengemimmango kufanele kutsi sisebentisane neTinkhundla Temmango Temaphoyisa, netinhlangano tetfu temmango kanye nemikhandlu lephetsetikolo kutsi sidlale indzima kakhulu etimphilweni tebantfwana betfu kanye nasekucinisekiseni kuphepha kanye nenhlalakahle yabo.

Njengoba sisho setfu lesihlakaniphile sendzabuko yase-Afrika sitsi "umntfwana ukhuliswa ngummango wonkhe."

Asisebentisaneni ngekubambana kute sivikele situkulwane sakusasa lesiligugu kulokudlakadlakatwa tjwala netidzakamiva kanye nemitselela yako.

Asenteni siciniseko sekutsi labo lababeka inzuzo phambili kune-timphilo tebantfwabetfu abavunyelwa kutsi basebente.

Natsi futsi asibeni sibonelo lesihle mayelana nebudlelwane betfu netjwala.

Asinganakekeli kuphela bantfwana betfu kepha nebantfwana babomakhelwane betfu.



# Incubulunjane Yetingobiyane (i-MonkeyPox) eNingizimu Afrika

**I**ndvuna Yetemphilo Dkt. Joe Phaahla ucinisekisile kutsi lencubulunjane Yetingobiyane seyitfolakele lapha eNingizimu Afrika ngesikhatsi acocisana kungasikudzala nebetindzaba ePitoli, eGauteng.

Utsite utfole umbiko lovela e-National Health Laboratory Services (i-NHLS) kutsi bakucinisekisile kubakhona kwelencubulunjane Yetingobiyane lapha eNingizimu Afrika ngekusebentisa luhlolo lwaseLabhorethri.

Leligciwane selitfolakele eGauteng naseNshonalanga Kapa.

Lencubulunjane ivamise kuba sifo lesibonakala kancane ngetilondza nome tinshabusuku esikhumbeni. Sifo lesingenamandla kakhulu futsi sinelizinga lekubulala leliliphesenti linye.

Lesifo sesike sabikwa emaveni ase-Afrika lafana neNigeria, eRiphabhliki



yeNtsandvo Yelinyenti yaseCongo, Central African Republic naseGhana ekuhleni kweminyaka yabo-2000.

Lokubhedvuka kwanyalo kubonakala kunemazinga lasetulu e-Yurophu lapho kuhamba khona embili i-UK ngetehlakalo letingetulu kwe-700, bese kutsi Spain sona sibe nje ngetulu kwe-500, kulandzele laseJamani, lasePortugal neFrance.

Indvuna itsite Sikhungo Savelonkhe Setifo Letitsa-tselanako (i-NICD) ichuba

tifundvo tekusebenta ufundza nge-inthanethi kutisebenti tetemphilo kute tikhona kusibona lesifo kute kweniwe luhlolo lwaseLabhorethri loludzingekile.

“Lesifo sibhebhethseka kuphela nakube nekutsintsana edvute, ngako-ke ngeke usitfole ngekutsi ube sekamelweni linye nemuntfu losuleleke ngaso,” kwasho Indvuna.

Indvuna Phaahla ucinisekise bantfu baseNingizimu Afrika kutsi lencubulu-

njane ayisilo ligciwane lelingazange selibonwe ngaphambilini futsi bososayensi banelwatiso ngalo.

Sihlalo weLikomidi Letindvuna Lekweluleka (i-MAC) mayelana ne-COVID-19 kanye neLilunga Lesigungu se-NHLS, Solwati Koleka Mlisana, utsite lencubulunjane ingubhubhane wesigodzi lotfolakala esigodzini sase-Central naseNyakatfo Afrika leyatiwa njengale- ngenamandla kangako.

Lesifo sivamise kutfolakala esigodzini lesitsite emkhatsini kwebantfu labatsite nome endzaweni letsite.

Utsite kunekufanana kwetimphawu emkhatsini kwalencubulunjane Yetingobiyane kanye nencubulunjane leyatiwa nge-*Smallpox*.

“Kunemitsi kanye nekwelashwa lokukhona kwelencubulunjane Yetingobiyane. Lesifo sitiveta

ngetimphawu letifana ne-imfuluwenza kanye netesifo se-*Legionnaires*. Lokumcoka kutsi umuntfu lovela nendlela tsite yetekwelashwa kulula kumcilonga futsi lokubaluleke kakhulu kutsi kulukhuni kutsi sendluliseleke, asifani neligciwane lekuphefumula, ngobe sisuleleka ngekutsintsana. Usitfole kuphela nangabe utsintsane nemuntfu lonaso,” kwasho Mlisana.

Sifo se-*Legionnaires* siluhlobo lwenyumoniya lenemandla kakhulu.

Solwati Mlisana utsite kulandzelela labo labatsintsene kubalulekile kuloku kantsi Litiko Letemphilo litawuchubeka likwente loko.

Ucinisekise bantfu baseNingizimu Afrika kutsi sakhiwonchanti saseLabhorethri sinato tonkhe tinsita letingakhona kugadza nome ngabe ngukuphi kutseleleka lokusha lokungahle kube khona. – [SAnews.gov.za](http://SAnews.gov.za)

## COVID-19 regulations cancelled

**H**ealth Minister, Joe Phaahla recently cancelled COVID-19 regulations relating to the wearing of face masks, gatherings and persons entering the country.

The regulations were promulgated by the Minister on 4 May in the Regulations Relating to the Surveillance and the Control of Notifiable Medical Conditions. President Cyril Ramaphosa in a national address in April said the regulations would be eased gradually.

The gazetting of the regulations means that the wearing of face masks in any public-use indoor space or when on public transport is no longer required.



On gatherings, people congregating in public spaces will no longer be limited to certain numbers.

The regulations stipulated that a maximum of 50% of the venue capa-

city may be occupied, provided that every attendee must be vaccinated against COVID-19 and produce a valid vaccination certificate. Alternatively, they could produce a valid certificate

of a negative COVID-19 test obtained not more than 72 hours before the date of the gathering.

Regarding limitations on people entering the country, the regulations required that any person entering the country be vaccinated against COVID-19 and produce a valid vaccination certificate.

Alternatively, this group of people needed to produce a valid certificate of a negative PCR COVID-19 test not older than 72 hours before the date of departure.

Minister Phaahla reminded South Africans of the importance of vaccinating for COVID-19.

“We just need to end with caution that the

COVID-19 virus is not yet gone; it is still in our midst; we are just stronger than before, especially with vaccination, and we urge those not yet vaccinated to come forward and those due for boosters to also come forward,” he said.

The Minister added that the vaccination program will remain and is now being integrated into normal health services.

“We urge all leaders of society and organisers of events to work with our health workers to promote healthy lifestyle and know your status, which is - blood pressure, blood sugar, cancer, HIV and COVID-19.” – [SAnews.gov.za](http://SAnews.gov.za)