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Mayor Keep the Promise of Assisting Needy and Top Learners

The Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality Mayor Councilor Yvonne Mmakola awarded some of the best performed matriculants for 2011 with the municipal bursary, and Clifford Tshehla, a Puputle Secondary School learner, who got 85% with five distinctions, with financial assistance to study at the tertiary institution.

Top Matric Learners Awards Ceremony was held last month at Ephraim Mogale local municipality hall, for learners of the municipal jurisdictional area, are also to benefit from the municipal Bursary Fund, joining the other beneficiaries whom this municipality is already paying for at various tertiary institutions. Ephraim Mogale local municipality is awarding community members with bursaries since 2005.

The Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality Mayor Councilor Yvonne Mmakola gave learner Clifford Tshehla financial assistance from the Mayoral Special Project for Youth Development, as a motivation for the 2012 matric learners to work harder and outperform the 2011 matriculants. This is part of the commitment by the municipality to partake in developing scarce skills in the country, with special focus on the local youth to follow career in Agriculture, Finance, Engineering, Management and Technical fields. This follows realization by the municipality the difficulties and sufferings which the local youth are encountering in accessing finance for furthering their education and skills at the tertiary institutions.

Mayor Councilor Yvonne Mmakola made commitment during the Award Ceremony that the Ephraim Mogale Local municipality will continue to assist the needy schools and learners, in collaboration with other institutions of similar objectives, because the municipality needs skillful workers to deliver services for the betterment of the life of the people.

The Mayor believes that learner Clifford Tshehla and other bursary beneficiaries for 2012 will hold the municipality's flag high by studying and working hard like other learners whom the municipality assisted financially before.

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