



## MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS

### MEDIA STATEMENT

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#### **NWHC CELEBRATED UNQUALIFIED AUDIT OPINION IN STYLE**

North West Housing Corporation (NWHC) donated food parcels at Dihatshwane Community Care Centre in Dihatshwane outside Mafikeng on Thursday. The event was attended by the CEO of NWHC, Bishop Sello Mogodiri and his staff and Kgosi Jeff Montshiwa of Barolong Boo Ratshidi.

The centre organises counselling and emotional support for people with HIV and AIDS and their families, sets up wellness programmes and medical treatment to help people keep their immune systems strong and fight opportunistic infections.

On the same day, the NWHC hosted a gala dinner at Mmabatho Palms Hotel in celebration of achieving an Unqualified Audit Opinion for the 2021/22 financial year conferred by the Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA).

The NWHC Chief Financial Officer, Sylvia Mokhadi spoke on the financial journey the entity has undertaken for the past 10 years.

"The entity has been receiving disclaimers for the past 10 years and in the 2020/2021 financial year we managed to pull a Qualified Opinion which led to the recent Unqualified opinion," Mokhadi said.

"I must really say it was not an easy journey to pick up the entity from the ground to where it is currently. The appointment of senior management within the NWHC assisted a great deal in making sure that the targets as set in our annual performance plan are indeed achieved."

"Obtaining an Unqualified Audit Opinion means that the entity has improved governance and financial reporting. It means there's effective controls in place which also assisted to improve the quality of financial statements submitted for audit. It also means our annual report is credited and that the entity has complied with all the laws and regulations," Mokhadi said.

In her keynote address, the Interim Chairperson of the Board, Adv Okgabile Dibetso-Bodibe said an Unqualified Audit Opinion is a significant improvement compared to the financial reports that the entity has been receiving over the past financial years.

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"The report serves as an indication that the department is well on track towards achieving its goal of establishing credible financial control systems. This improvement could be attributed to improved oversight and stringent internal review processes initiated by the Chief Financial Officer, our "Go Girl" resulting in improved record keeping," Dibetso-Bodibe said.

She further credited the positive outcome of the audit to the tireless work of the NWCH staff. "Our secret was to identify loopholes and work on them," Dibetso-Bodibe said.

CEO of NWHC, Bishop Sello Mogodiri thanked guests for honouring the invitation and the staff of the entity for their hard work.

"The unqualified audit outcome directly empowers us to deliver on our mandate which is to provide housing, shelter and accommodation in the North West Province," Mogodiri said.

"I would like to thank the office of the CFO, finance team, audit team, the Board, executive management and all employees for their contribution and dedication towards the success of the entity and on the ethos that is evident at all levels of the business operations."

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