

Christmas Message to Ditholwana Ts`a Rena Trust Board of Trustees & Staff



Mr Freddy Chaba

(Chair of Ditholwana Ts`a Rena Community Development Trust)

Christmas is here and it is time to share warm wishes of good health and happiness with everybody that I work with.

It is really an honour and privilege for me as the chairperson of Ditholwana Ts`a Rena Community Development Trust to relay a Christmas message to the Board Members and the Staff members.

It is that time of the year that we need to go on recess and take a well deserving rest and holiday. The office will be closing on the 13th of December 2024 and open again on the 06th of January 2025.

As I reflect on 2024, I see that despite the hard work that we have exerted and contributed to our Trust, we had to come across many challenges and tribulations in executing our responsibilities.

The following challenges were nevertheless recorded:

1. The overdue multi-year AGM which covered a period 07 years since inception.
2. Mushrooming of concern groups which we dealt with in a more professional and respectful manner.
3. The instability of Traditional Authorities in the area of our operation.
4. A vast beneficiary community covering 62 villages that required our socio-economic intervention.
5. The scaling down of AAP's business and operations within the entire Mogalakwena Mining Complex.

Despite on these challenges, we had a significant and positive impact to our communities:

1. We managed to pull off a very successful Multi Year AGM with over 900 attendees which included an online presence.
2. All these we achieved through the professional work facilitated by TEBA

3. We have managed to consult and forge good relationships with our Traditional Leadership, Dikgoro, Councillors, Civic Society Leadership and NGO's. Credit goes to our office staff.
4. We have implemented a few Infrastructure Projects through the sterling work of the PDIU.
5. We managed to get a clean Audit report through the professional work of Siyameng Consultancy.
6. I must hasten to thank the PMK Tladi and Associates for the work delivered through their secretariat staff.
7. I would also like to thank the Board for having established Board Sub-committees that has been hard at work to deal with strategic issues of the Trust and these have been very productive. My thanks for their job well done
8. We have done a lot in such a limited time and very small team.

I would like to wholeheartedly thank our Board of Trustees who continue to support me as the Chairperson and whose knowledge and advice, I relied upon and that I appreciate immensely.

To the Operations Team and our Service Providers who have now become part of Ditholwana family. We hereby thank you for your dedication and for going the extra mile beyond your call of duty. Mme Jane, please extend our appreciation to your Team back in the office and tell them that their efforts are not unnoticed.

Ditholwana Trust has been going strong for 08 years and has become a shining star in the Alchemy Family. We are still in a strong position to continue delivering on our mandate of a Life-Changing impact to our beneficiaries.

We promise to continue empowering our communities socially and economically and we can see a bright future for our beneficiaries.

Wishing you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas and a Happy Holidays!!! May this festive season be filled with Joy, Love and Laughter, bringing warmth to your hearts. Here's to a wonderful time with those dear to you and creating lasting memories. Cheers to a bright and thriving New Year ahead!!

From my family to yours. Have a safe festive season.

Yours sincerely,

Freddy Chaba

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