

## **Operation Hlasela: Thabo Mofutsanyana & Lejweleputswa**

In their pursuit to enhance service delivery in the Free State, the Premier of the Free State Mr. ES Magashule and Members of the Executive Council held an Operation Hlasela outreach in Qwaqwa and Welkom from the 17<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> of April 2013. The outreach was to ensure that services reach the intended beneficiaries and that government yields the expected results from service delivery programmes it has embarked on since it came into office 2009.



*MEC for Social Development Me Ntombela giving blankets to child headed households*

Our Department was one of the Departments that took part in the outreach programme. Ahead of the main event, the Children's component worked very hard at identifying child headed households who were given blankets and food parcels by MEC Me "Sisi" Ntombela. It was also reported that some of the children identified will form part of the group who will join the Minister of Social Development, Me Bathabile Dlamini when she launch Child Protection Week in Durban on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May.

MEC Ntombela also had an opportunity to address older persons and persons with disabilities and encouraged them to protect themselves due to the situation we South African find ourselves in, where rape and murder is becoming normality in our beloved country.

"A food and clothes bank will be established in Phuthaditjhaba and 1000 jobs for the youth of Phuthaditjhaba will be created. The 1000 youth will be used to identify households that will need the services of the food and clothes bank", said Premier Magashule.



*Premier Magashule addressing the youth of Bluegumbosch, Qwaqwa.*

Apart from donating food parcels, SASSA did new registrations for child support grants and faulty social grants applications were rectified. Home Affairs was there to assist with identity documents, birth certificates and other important documentations.



*SASSA official giving away food parcels.*

The Department of Health had their testing stations set up whereas SANCA gave out important information to communities on how to deal with alcohol and other drug problems in their midst.

This was a perfect indication that, **"Working Together We Can Do More"**.