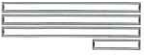





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## **LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

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**DATE : 02 JUNE 2021**

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

### **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST LETTER.**

### **2021 - 2022 ADVERTISEMENT OF AN INCUBATOR PROGRAMME FOR BUDDING, CREATIVE, DEVELOPMENTAL EMERGING FARMERS WITHIN MHLONTLO LOCAL MUNICIPALITY.**

Farmers that are emerging, developmental creative and dedicated in their respective programmes which are making Socio- economic impact within Mhlontlo Local Municipality are invited to apply for support through Mhlontlo Local Municipality incentive programme for the duration of a year 2021- 2022 financial year.

### **DEFINITION OF AN INCUBATION FARMER'S PROGRAMME**

Incubation Farmer's Programme/Project entails the assistance that will be provided for, by Mhlontlo Local Municipality (Tsolo & Qumbu towns and rural areas) where there are farmers conducting farming programmes or projects for socio- economic transformation and have an impact in terms of poverty alleviation and are developmental, creating jobs and wealth opportunities to the society.

### **CRITERIA FOR FARMER'S INCUBATION PROGRAMME/PROJECTS**

Emerging farmers to be supported by the programme / project will be:

- Self - employed and self – supporting emerging developmental farmers operating within Mhlontlo Local Municipality (26 wards)
- Projects / programmes need to be operational and productive.
- Youth, Women and people with disabilities emerging in the field of agro- economy.

Farmers must be South African citizens in possession of a green bar coded identity document card/ book.

Support programme is open to all the women, youth and men above the age of 18 years.

### 10 COMMODITIES TO BE SUPPORTED IN THE INCUBATION PROGRAMME

1. Wool production
2. Piggery
3. Red meat production
4. Organic egg production
5. Poultry production
6. Potatoes
7. Cabbage
8. Spinach
9. Beans and maize production
10. Pumpkins

We will do soil tests for the crop production in collaboration with Department of Agriculture.

### THE FOLLOWING MUST BE NOTED

- One commodity will be considered for each and every emerging farmer in Project/ programmes (please choose the best).
- Letter of support by the ward councillor.
- Letter of support from traditional leader.
- Farmer's organisation operating in the ward on behalf of farmers in co – ordination.
- Certified copies of identity document if it is co-operative, company or individual.
- Proof of ownership of land, permission to occupy land or the lease agreement and period.
- Registration certificate of a project.
- Copy of proof of transactions you have made or bank statement of a project.
- Provision of member's names and their contact numbers.
- Disclosure of equipment that the project has.
- State water availability, (Where do you get water?)
- State electricity availability, (Where do you get electricity?)

**N.B. (a) Assessment, evaluation, monitoring and verification of information will be done by the selected team from the Municipality and other stakeholders.**

**(b) Fraudulent information supplied will lead to the application being disqualified.**

### CONDITIONS FOR SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES.

- (a) Contract for the duration of the project/programme by the recipient and the municipality will be entered into as a requirement service level agreement and will also be availed for signing and ensuring the adhering to the project/programme stipulations.
- (b) Management, control and administering of funds provided for the programme will be strict under the municipality until the end of the programme.
- (c) Prospective emerging farmers will be informed after short listing.

**Note: Only successful applicants will be contacted and informed about the final decision.**

- (d) The programme is non – sexist, supporting all farmers residing in Mhlontlo Local Municipality.
- (e) Traditional leaders are excluded while councillors and government officials of all departments are advised not to apply for this programme.

### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

- (1) Applications must be submitted to Mhlontlo Local Municipality to LEDPARD Offices on time.
- (2) Applicants must select one programme or project.
- (3) No faxed or emailed applications will be accepted.

Closing date will be: 25 June 2021.

If you have questions or queries don't hesitate to call;  
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**Signed by**

  
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