

MAYOR WELCOMES CAR DONATION FROM FROM DE BEERS VENETIA MINE ON BEHALF OF SENWABARWANA VICTIM SUPPORT CENTRE

As a champion against Gender-Based-Violence(GBV) herself, Her Worship the Mayor of Blouberg Local Municipality, Cllr Maria Thamaga was overjoyed when she receives a vehicle donation on behalf of the Senwabarwana Victim Support Centre - an institution that provides support to victims of GBV and other abuses for the community of Blouberg operating in the Senwabarwana SAPS. De Beers Venetia Mine through its Corporate Social Investment (CSI) programmes yesterday, February 16, donated a brand new 7-seater Toyota Rumion to enable the centre to effeciently respond to GBV cases in the locality.

Mayor Thamaga has been an advocate for change, raising awareness to root out the scourge of violence against women and children, calling on Blouberg men to step up for the rights of women and children and continuously urging women to break the silence on abuse.

The Senwabarwana Victim Support Centre is one of the institutions that provides support to victims of GBV in the Blouberg Local Municipality. Lack of Infrastructure and other operating resources were identified as challenges hampering the smooth day-to-day running of the centre.

De Beers Venetia Mine has been supporting the Senwabarwana Victim Support Centre since 2020 following the alarming rate of GBV cases when the country's COVID-19 lockdown was introduced.

The mine also donated 150 pairs of school shoes and sanitary towels to the municipality to be distributed to various schools to cater for needy learners.

