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## MEDIA STATEMENT

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### **HOUSING IS NOT FREE, OWNERSHIP COMES THROUGH RESPONSIBILITY**

The North West Housing Corporation (NWHC) has launched a Revenue Enhancement and Debt Collection Campaign to assist beneficiaries in regularising their accounts and securing legal ownership of the houses they occupy through the issuing of title deeds.

The campaign seeks to correct a long-standing misconception that government houses are free. The NWHC emphasises that the properties under its management are not RDP houses, but rental stock inherited from the former Bophuthatswana government. These properties were transferred to the Corporation with a mandate to manage rental housing, generate revenue, and enable occupants to become lawful homeowners once their financial obligations have been met.

Established in 1982 as the Bophuthatswana Housing Corporation, the entity was restructured and renamed after 1994 to align with the North West Provincial Government. Although it faced financial challenges leading to its closure in 2009, it was successfully resuscitated in 2014 with a clear mandate to restore financial sustainability, collect outstanding debts, and assist qualifying beneficiaries to obtain title deeds.

The campaign is developmental, not punitive. It aims to encourage settlement of outstanding balances, regularise occupancy records, resolve legacy account issues, and secure ownership for qualifying occupants.

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Many original beneficiaries were elderly, and in numerous cases their children or grandchildren now occupy the properties without formal ownership. The Corporation calls on current occupants and families of deceased beneficiaries to come forward and engage.

Securing a title deed provides legal ownership, protects families from disputes, and allows property to be passed on to future generations. Improved revenue collection will also enable the NWHC to invest in new housing programmes and continue serving communities sustainably.

### **Issues by North West Housing Corporation**

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