Mandela Day celebrations took place across the province as South Africans took at least 67 minutes of their time to reach out and help others in need. Here is a selection of images from Mandela Day

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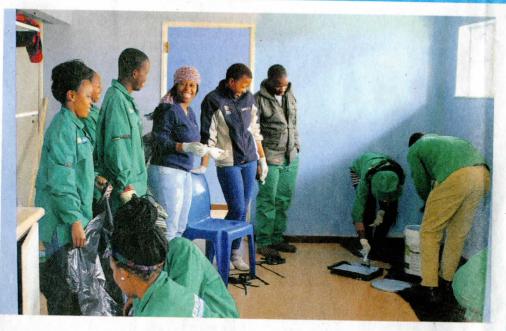


Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs MEC Nomusa Dube-Ncube and eThekwini mayor James Nxumalo led celebrities including the cast members of Uzalo, Miss South Africa, the Sharks, musicians, politicians, business people and community members during the celebrations of 67 minutes of Madiba in Durban. A house was donated; a cheque of R3 million handed over for agricultural projects; and school uniforms, blankets and groceries were also distributed. The activities concluded at Ohlange High School with flowers laid at freedom fighter John Langalibalele Dube's grave. PHOTO: SUPPLIED



The Minister of Arts and Culture, Nathi Mthethwa (right) and MEC for Agriculture Cyril Xaba walk through the museum at the Mandela Capture Site in Howick on Saturday. Mthethwa hosted a social cohesion dialogue on the significance of Nelson Mandela Day at the site. The event was organised by the Department of Arts and Culture in partnership with uMngeni Municipality as part of Nelson Mandela Day activities.

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Pietermaritzburg National Botanical Garden staff spent their 67 minutes of Mandela Day fixing up one of the cottages at the Pietermaritzburg Children's Home. Spokesperson Siphuxolo Ngqasa said the staff gave the junior boys' cottage a true makeover and sang as they worked. 'At our garden we like to sing, so while we were busy with the maintenance at the home we were singing songs to celebrate the life of the father of our freedom, Tata Mandela'

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People from across the political divide rallied in support of farm dwellers who were moved off land in Ashburton to unserviced one-room homes in Polly Shortts. From left are community representative Khethiwe Mngwengwe, councillors Sandy Lyne (DA) and Lindiwe Ngcobo (ANC), community member Petros Mosiwe, Lisa del Grande, national MP Sibongile Mchunu (ANC), community representative Bongani Mthalane, and Siya Sithole of land rights group Afra. PHOTO: SUPPLIED