



Intel Easy Steps- Thlabane (Rustenburg)



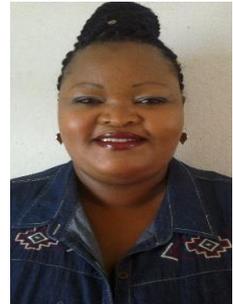
Thlabane is a community where women have formed a group against abuse. This group aims to empower women in the community so that they are aware of what abuse is and thus can arm themselves with knowledge of how to find ways to get out of the situation they find themselves in. Intel along with the Department of Communication, Deloitte Foundation, and Telkom are working together to provide this community with training and support so that the women have more skills with which to uplift themselves. Intel agreed to sponsor two training workshops for groups of women from the area to benefit from digital literacy.

The training started with the participants feeling nervous and tense about not having experienced working at a computer before. The course itself is designed to break the

ice using the “*introduce yourself activity*” By the end of the first day, the participants were sufficiently confident to type a paragraph about themselves.

The following are some examples of participants’ aspirations:

“My name is Concilia Nomakhosi Selope. As a member of Emang Basadi, I want to teach them about abuse. I want to support women and children in whatever way I can. I want to help children to go to school every day on a full stomach.”



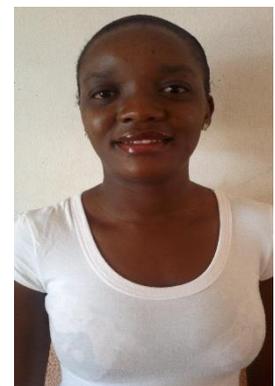
“My name is Lebogang Harriette Mokgoatleng. I’m strong. Ambitious. Willing to face challenges in my life. I’m awesome. And looking forward



to reach my goals in life. My inspiration in life is to be a social worker, am willing to work with community more especially with orphans and child children with disabilities. This is my aspiration in life. I was inspired by the way the use to take care of orphans and since that day it’s my everyday dream to see myself working as social worker.”

“As a member of EMANG BASADI I would like to see myself standing

up for myself and to improve my skills during the training.my primary role is to empowering women’s to stand for them self in all the powers that they have to stop child and women abuse in all nations. I believe that during three days of my training I will be able to use my skills and to help old people an offense to have better lives” Precious Ratanang Mosolodi



The participants had a low morale and were very de-motivated due to be being unemployed. The trainer had to provide some motivation for them to continue as digital literacy can afford opportunities for employment. As the course progressed the participants were able to see progress in their own personal skills development and became even more attentive to learn as much as they could from the course.

The facilitator, Mr Thabo Nkwe, reflects as follows:

“This was the first kind of group I ever came across in my 18 years training experience. Given these women's personal experience in relation to abuse and the grievousness and magnitude of cases of abuse against women and children they are exposed to; I take my hat off to them! No wonder I could sense a forceful demand from within to heed to their outcry which they could not express with words but through their performance during training. Today I can rightfully say women are stronger than men in many respects.”



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