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### **Greater Knysna student receive tertiary funding**

Thanks to Knysna Executive Mayor, Eleanore Bouw-Spies' Mayoral Bursary study fund, 58 applicants received financial assistance to further their studies.

The generosity of local golfers and businesses who supported the 2016 Mayoral Golf Day ensure that R215 000 could be distributed amongst the financial aid beneficiaries.

Study grants of between R4 000 and R11 000 have been granted, enabling 58 of Greater Knysna's youth to obtain much-needed tertiary. To date more than 250 students have received assistance through this Mayoral Bursary study fund.

"This initiative is extremely close to my heart. Knowing that through the generosity of our residents many, who have held steadfast onto their dreams throughout their impoverished lives, can now fulfill their dreams," said Bouw-Spies.

She added that a strict selection process had been followed to determine who would benefit the most from the financial assistance. "The combined income of the applicants and/or their parents played a vital role in selecting the beneficiaries," she explained.

In conclusion Bouw-Spies congratulated and encouraged all successful applicants to work hard and make the most of this opportunity.

This year's Mayoral Golf Day will be held on Friday, 13 October at the Simola Golf & Country Estate. "Let's really push ourselves to raise even more vital funds for this study fund during this year. We have set our sights on raising R500 000 during this year's Mayoral Golf Day. These funds play such a vital role in the education of our youth. By reaching this target we can help so many more to follow their dreams, dreams of living a life filled with purpose and success," concluded the mayor.

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