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Knysna Mayoral Fund gives 60 students R165 000 in bursaries

Knysna Executive Mayor Georlene Wolmarans handed over R165 000 in bursaries to 60 students on Friday 16 January. These bursaries are in support of further education and were made from the Mayoral Social Relief and Bursary Fund.

The vast majority of these funds were raised during the annual Mayoral Golf Day held at Simola Golf and Country Estate in October last year. Additional contributions to the fund are raised at events hosted by Wolmarans' office, and from donations made to the fund.

"It is with great sincerity that I thank all the role players who made the Mayoral Golf Day such a great success," she said during the handover ceremony. "Thanks are also due to the regional and local suppliers for their generosity, as well as to the members of the public and business communities for their unflagging support of the event."

The Mayor encouraged the students to make the most of this opportunity, but reminded them that it is their responsibility to work hard at their studies. "If you put in the necessary hours and do the work to the best of your abilities, you will reach great heights," she concluded. "I know that it's difficult to commit to studies, but I can't wait until these candidates return as graduates, ready to make a difference in their lives and in their communities."

"By creating an opportunity to complete their further studies, we are encouraging these candidates to help us in creating a town where people and nature prosper."

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