



# Centre brings skills training to Soshanguve



Officials marking the opening of Siphon Nkosi Community House Building Training workshop in Soshanguve.

## David Matsena

A new training centre in Soshanguve teaches young people skills they needed for employment or to start their own enterprises.

The Siphon Nkosi Community House Building Training workshop was opened last Thursday by People Upliftment Programme (Popup).

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caused by poverty and other circumstances such as a history of crime and addiction,” said Nerésa Vogel, Popup communications manager.

Vogel said Popup made the bold move to open a second skills training centre in Soshanguve to serve the community from within.

“This is because one of the biggest challenges for our students is commuting fees,” she said.

“We have been given the seminary premises in Soshanguve for 30 years with an extension of another 30 years for training purposes.”

Popup aimed to focus primarily on technical and agricultural skills at the centre.

“Without the incredible support from various corporates, this dream would have stayed just that,” she said.

“Exxaro invested R5.4 million in this project and therefore created the opportunity for us to erect the workshop.”