

Budget votes to be tabled

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RESIDENTS of the Free State will once again have the privilege to engage with the provincial executive as they present their department's budget votes from today.

The budget votes will be presented in various towns including QwaQwa, Thaba Nchu, Welkom, Tweeling and Kroonstad from this morning.

The legislature announced its intention to take parliament the people earlier this year.

The week-long programme will give residents the chance to engage directly with the members of the legislature.

Speaker Mamiki Qabathe earlier this year said it was imperative to take the legislature to the people.

She said interactions with communities provided them with hope and they got to hear first hand some of the challenges residents faced on a regular basis.

The programme will run from today

until May 2 and is scheduled to start today at the Dr Reginald Cingo High School in Kroonstad where the health and social development MECs Butana Komphela and Maki Mahasa will table their budget votes.

MECs for education and sport, arts, culture and recreation Tate Makgoe and Mathabo Leeto will present their budget votes on Friday at Teto High School in Welkom.

The economic, small business development, tourism and environmental affairs as well as public works and infrastructure will table their budget on Monday at Namahadi Thusong Centre in QwaQwa.

Premier Sisi Ntombela will present her budget vote in her home town of Tweeling together with the agriculture MEC Opua Khoabane on Monday.

The budget votes will wrap up in Thaba Nchu with legislature and treasury at Sediti High School on May 2.

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