

# BUILDING A BRIGHT FUTURE!



**Sandile Sedibe from the Mpumalanga Training Trust explained some of the career opportunities available.**  
*Photo by Bulelwa Ginindza*

## Bricks and mortar the way, pupils told

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**MPUMALANGA** pupils from various schools were encouraged to consider choosing careers in the building industry.

Public works deputy director-general Nyeleti Makhubele said this at a career expo at Embalanhle in Secunda, Mpumalanga, on Tuesday.

She said it was important to participate in the construction industry in order to transform it.

She encouraged young black people, especially from the rural areas, to consider the industry as a career.

“Industries like construction were reserved for white people in the past. Only white



**Nyeleti Makhubele addressed pupils at the expo.**

people became engineers and architects but nowadays anyone can choose these careers.

“And careers in the public works department are not only reserved for boys. Girls too can become engineers.”

Emmanuel Maloka (17), a grade 12 pupil at Thomas Nhlabathi Secondary School, said the expo exposed him to many career choices in the industry and he hoped to take advantage of all the opportunities available.

The project, which was developed by the council for the built environment, was begun in 2013 as part of the built environment skills plan.