



Glencore CEO Japie Fullard and Mashishing mayor Friddah Nkadimeng at the official opening of Mashishing TVET College.

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College invests in youth

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YOUNG people in and around Mashishing, who want to study engineering, no longer have to travel far to chase their dreams.

Glencore Alloys SA officially unveiled the Mashishing TVET College on Friday.

For years, students studied at a rented community hall.

CEO Japie Fullard said the company spent at least R7 million to renovate the structure, donated by the department of public works.

The college will provide engineering and other courses.

The campus has an admin block, computer lab, workshop and a laboratory and will cater for more than 400 students.

Fullard said the partnership came through public works.

He said: “We invested the R7 million to change the infrastructure in these classrooms.

“Our aim is to see young people getting better opportunities.

“The youth are our future. The more we invest in the youth, the better for the country.”

Acting TVET Ehlanzeni College principal Mariana Marais said recognised the importance of partnerships between institutions and employers.

Student Nhlanhla Maboane (22) said the new structure would help everyone.