

## Mayor Plato announces site transfer for flagship Mitchells Plain TVET college

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The transfer of the 6,796 hectare erf was completed on 23 February 2021, and registered to False Bay TVET College. It is anticipated that more than 5,000 students from Mitchells Plain, Strandfontein, Khayelitsha, Philippi, Mandalay, Grassy Park, Pelican Park and other communities will benefit directly from the development. The new educational facility would serve surrounding communities on the Cape Flats, which is home to approximately 1,5 million residents.



The project is an inter-governmental initiative and requires the collaboration of all spheres of government to drive economic growth and development through leveraging city assets to provide quality infrastructure in previously disadvantaged communities.

Cape Town Executive Mayor Alderman Dan Plato said he was very pleased that the transfer had been completed and that construction could soon commence.

"I am happy to see that this development can now enter the next phase. Having a facility within Mitchells Plain is required more than ever to train young people in vital skills to reduce poverty, inequality, to grow the economy and boost employment through scarce and critical skills training and innovation programmes. I thank all of the role-players' involved for enabling the project to proceed," said Executive Mayor Dan Plato.



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The much-anticipated development was approved by council in May last year. Council approval was required to make the land available at a reduced cost for the purposes of education and community use to establish a fully-fledged TVET College Campus to service Mitchells Plain, Strandfontein and surrounding communities.

National government, through the Department of Higher Education and Training, made R380m available for the establishment of the facility.

"From a socio-economic perspective, this transfer demonstrates the city's commitment to prioritise and leverage the city's assets to make a real contribution towards our economic recovery, putting our assets to good use, and into the hands of

those who will benefit the most. We intend to continue a pipeline of land transactions that make business and socioeconomic sense," said the City's mayoral committee member for economic opportunities and asset management, Alderman James Vos.

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