

# Social Justice

## M-PLAN STRUCTURES

The Constitution commits all South Africans to use it as a basis to heal the divisions of the past and establish a society based on democratic values, social justice and human rights. An investment in all of us enhances the country's productivity and resilience and serves to foster social cohesion.

The **Social Justice M-Plan** is the flagship project of the Law Trust Chair in Social Justice, Stellenbosch University under the leadership of Prof Thuli Madonsela. It is a social justice acceleration project that seeks to catalyse progress toward social justice, focusing on ending poverty and breaking the back of structural inequality by 2030 in pursuit of the constitutional social justice commitment, relevant goals in the National Development Plan (NDP), Agenda 2063 and the Global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The **M-Fund** is one of the 4 pillars of the **Musa Plan for Social Justice (Social Justice M-Plan)**. It is a crowdfunding initiative that seeks to accelerate the advancement of equality and the elimination of poverty in pursuit of SDG 10. The **proceeds of the M-Fund** will be invested in holistic ground up programmes that seek to help left behind communities in 4392 Municipal Wards to craft SDG based visions of their future and lift themselves up into socio-economic inclusion and sustainable development, while exercising social accountability to exact accountability for their democracy dividends from government.

A portion of the fund will also be invested in social justice transformative education nationally. The **targeted mechanism** for crowdfunding is innovative technologies in the retail sector, with the targeted standard donation being as little as R5.

Key among the coordinating and management structures for the social justice quest, is a **Council of Social Justice Champions** that will oversee the **Fund** and related sustainable development activities. Social Justice Champions are being identified among influencers in business and the community. As guardians of the M-Plan, they are to influence their peers and to enrich and defend the M-Plan. The champions include influencers outside South Africa who will vouch for the necessity and efficacy of the M-Plan. A core group of the influencers will form the council responsible for mobilising and managing the resources mobilised from the public. Business as a key role player is being sensitised to appreciate that the plan seeks to help people help themselves and not to encourage dependency.

The other pillars of the M-Plan relate to leveraging data analytics for social impact conscious policy design and law reform, strengthening social accountability to undergird integrity and accountability in state affairs and the advancement of social cohesion. Also included is igniting and anchoring leadership at all levels to strengthen democracy and contribute to a capacitated state.