

Rehabilitation Work Brings Empowerment to Youth at Muela



The Environmental Branch at Muela Catchment recently provided short-term employment opportunities to 68 young people from surrounding communities — an initiative that not only offered economic relief but also inspired personal growth and empowerment.

For many, including Pont'so Lesekele (22) and Limakatso Morobe (20), the experience proved transformative. Speaking with emotion on 21 October 2025, the two shared how their one-month engagement under LHDA's environmental rehabilitation programme changed their outlook on life and work.

“Collecting stones, loading and off-loading trucks, and constructing stone lines was tough,” recalled Lesekele. “But now I’m proud of myself — I can teach others, I have confidence, and I’m going to use part of my salary to help my mother. It was hard work, but rewarding.”

Morobe expressed similar gratitude, highlighting the mentorship and lessons learned from working alongside older, more experienced colleagues.

“This opportunity taught me endurance and patience,” she said. “It motivated me to focus on my goals and to prepare for tertiary education. I’m thankful to the LHDA for giving me a chance to grow.”

The initiative reflects the LHDA's enduring commitment to youth empowerment, environmental stewardship, and community upliftment — key pillars of the LHWP's social development agenda. Through such interventions, the LHDA continues to invest in the potential of young Basotho, creating pathways for learning, resilience, and a sustainable future.