

HOUSING SUBSIDY

The DPSA has announced that, in line with PSCBC Resolution 7 of 2015, the housing allowance for qualifying employees will increase on 1 July 2018 by 4,7%, which is the average CPI for the past financial year.

The effect of the adjustment with effect from 1 July 2018, is as follows:

- the housing allowance, for home owners, will increase from R 1 276.00 to R 1 336.22 per month;
- employees who rent will continue receiving R 900 per month as part of the salary, whilst an amount of R 436.22 per month (i.e. the difference between R 1336.22 and R900) will be diverted to the employee's individual-linked savings facility in the Government Employees Housing Scheme.

LONG SERVICE CASH AWARDS

The recognition of long service cash awards are adjusted annually on 1 April. The revision is based on the average CPI for the period January to December of the preceding year. The DPSA has announced the revised the Long Service Cash Awards for 2018, with effect 1 April 2018, as follows:

Period	2017	2018
20 Years	R9 886	R10 410
30 Years	R19 771	R20 819
40 Years	R26 362	R27 759

NELSON MANDELA INTERNATIONAL DAY, 18 JULY 2018

(PREPARED BY NAPTOSA HEAD OFFICE)

The year 2018 is an iconic year for South Africa and the world, as we celebrate the Centenary of Nelson Mandela. South Africans can truly be proud to have birthed the humanitarian, philanthropist and compassionate Nelson Mandela. He was an individual who had dedicated his life to social justice, freedom, and equality for all South Africans. For this, in November 2009 the United Nations honoured South Africa and Madiba's vision by declaring 18 July, his birth date, the Nelson Mandela International Day.

The Mandela Day campaign calls on individuals, groups and corporates to pledge 67 minutes of their time on 18 July and as often as possible to give back to society. This can be done by supporting a charity or serving the community no matter how small the action. The aim is to change the world for the better, just as Mandela did. This year the Nelson Mandela Foundation calls on all South Africans to take action against poverty. Our community and political leaders are called upon to become servant leaders and to make South Africa a better place to live in.

Nelson Mandela International Day should serve as a reminder to all South Africans to become part of a continuous global movement for good and strive for social justice for all. Education as Mandela said, is indeed the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world. In honour of this legend, NAPTOSA calls on teachers in their individual capacity and as a collective to actively work towards ensuring that the dignity of the teaching profession is restored.

NAPTOSA calls on teachers and learners to become living legends by:

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- Donating educational toys and books to a children's home, pre-school or hospital.
- Volunteering at a local faith- based organisation to assist as required.
- Start reading clubs in their communities.
- Encouraging learners to collect food parcels for distributing during school holidays for learners who depend on school feeding schemes.

NAPTOSA urges members to give 67 minutes of their time performing a service on Mandela Day, and share their activities on our Facebook page NAPTOSA and Twitter handle @NAPTOSA_TEACH.

"The beauty of life doesn't depend on how happy you are, but on how happy others can be because of you".

LOUISE SMIT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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