



Western Cape
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Department of Local Government

Citizens' Report
2022/23

Function

The Department of Local Government in the Western Cape is tasked by the Constitution, with the responsibility to monitor and support municipalities to deliver services to communities. It is also responsible for promoting good governance in municipalities, capacitating them to improve service delivery.

Vision

To be an efficient and dynamic team that enables well-governed municipalities to deliver services to communities in a responsive, sustainable and integrated manner.



Mission

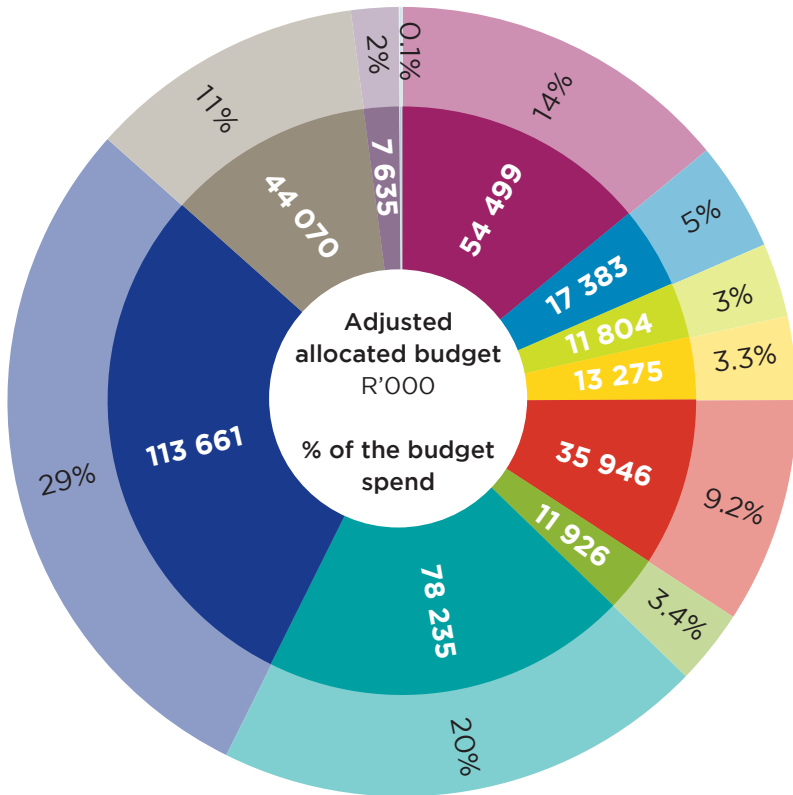
To monitor, co-ordinate and support municipalities to be effective in fulfilling their developmental mandate and facilitate service delivery and disaster resilience through engagement with government spheres and social partners.

Values

We pride ourselves in these values, being caring, competent and accountable to do our work with integrity, responding to the needs of our stakeholders and clients, in a responsive manner, whilst striving to find innovative ways to address the needs of our communities.

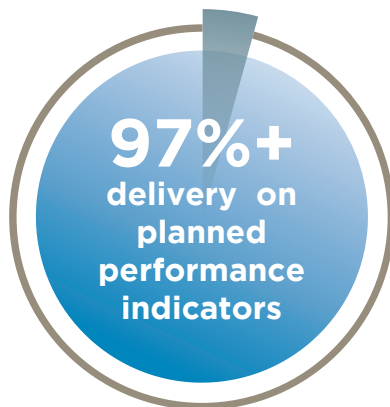
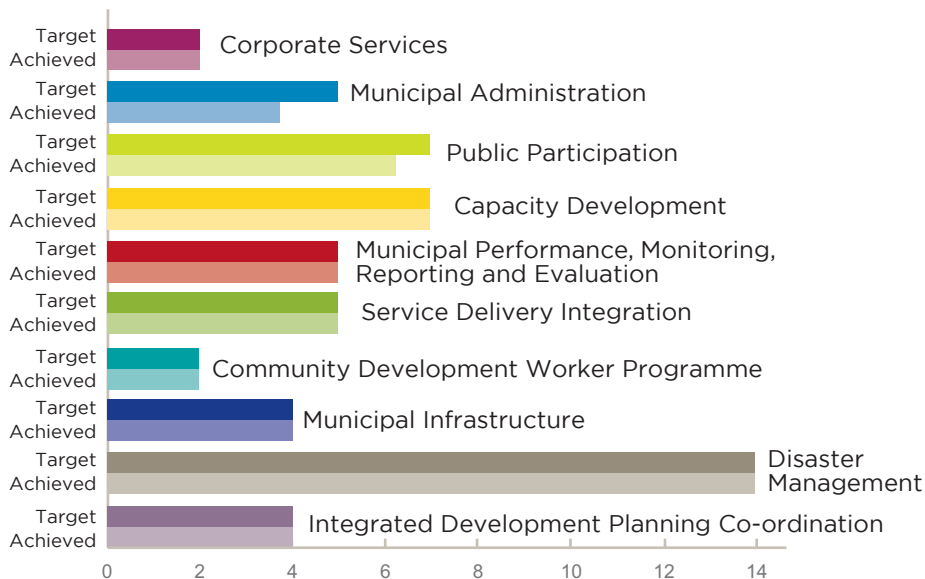
Planning and Financial Achievements

In 2022/23 financial year, the Department had a total budget of R 388 912 000 which was allocated as follows:



- Corporate Services
- Municipal Administration
- Public Participation
- Capacity Development
- Municipal Performance, Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation
- Service Delivery Integration
- Community Development Worker Programme
- Municipal Infrastructure
- Disaster Management
- Integrated Development Planning Co-ordination
- Traditional Institutional Management (R478 000)

Planned Annual Performance Indicators vs. Planned targets achieved

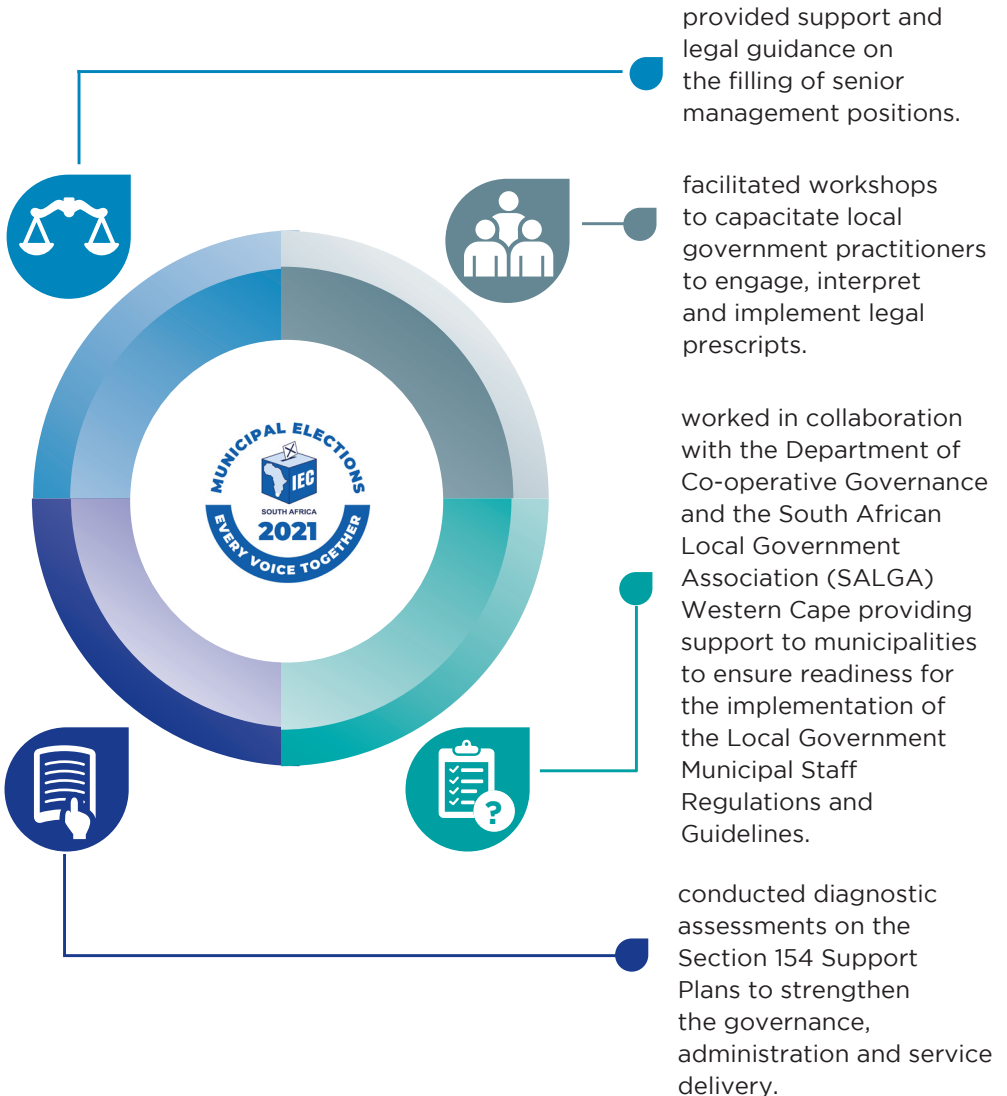


The Department is on track to deliver on all indicators as indicated in the Strategic Plan 2020-2025.

PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

Ensuring smooth transition post 2021 Local Government Elections

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Training and capacity-building

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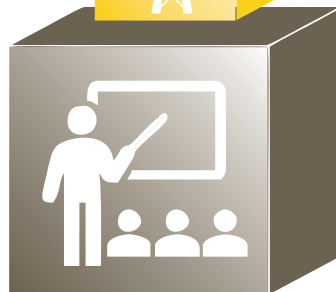
rolled out the Municipal Minimum Competency (MMC) Training to councillors to enhance knowledge and skills.



conducted training for councillor seasonal schools and municipal middle managers, in partnership with the Hanns Seidel Foundation.



completed the 15-year Western Cape Water Resilience Plan in September 2022.




for a sixth consecutive year, received recognition from the Department of Co-operative Governance for good practices in monitoring and supporting municipalities to ensure compliance with the implementation of the Municipal Property Rates Act,

implemented the Sustainable Infrastructure Development and Financial Facility Programme (SIDAFF) to offer funding solutions for catalytic infrastructure for a group of municipalities in the Western Cape.

supported municipalities with Electrical Master Plans, enabling them to predict future demands on the electrical distribution system.

Strengthening citizen interface

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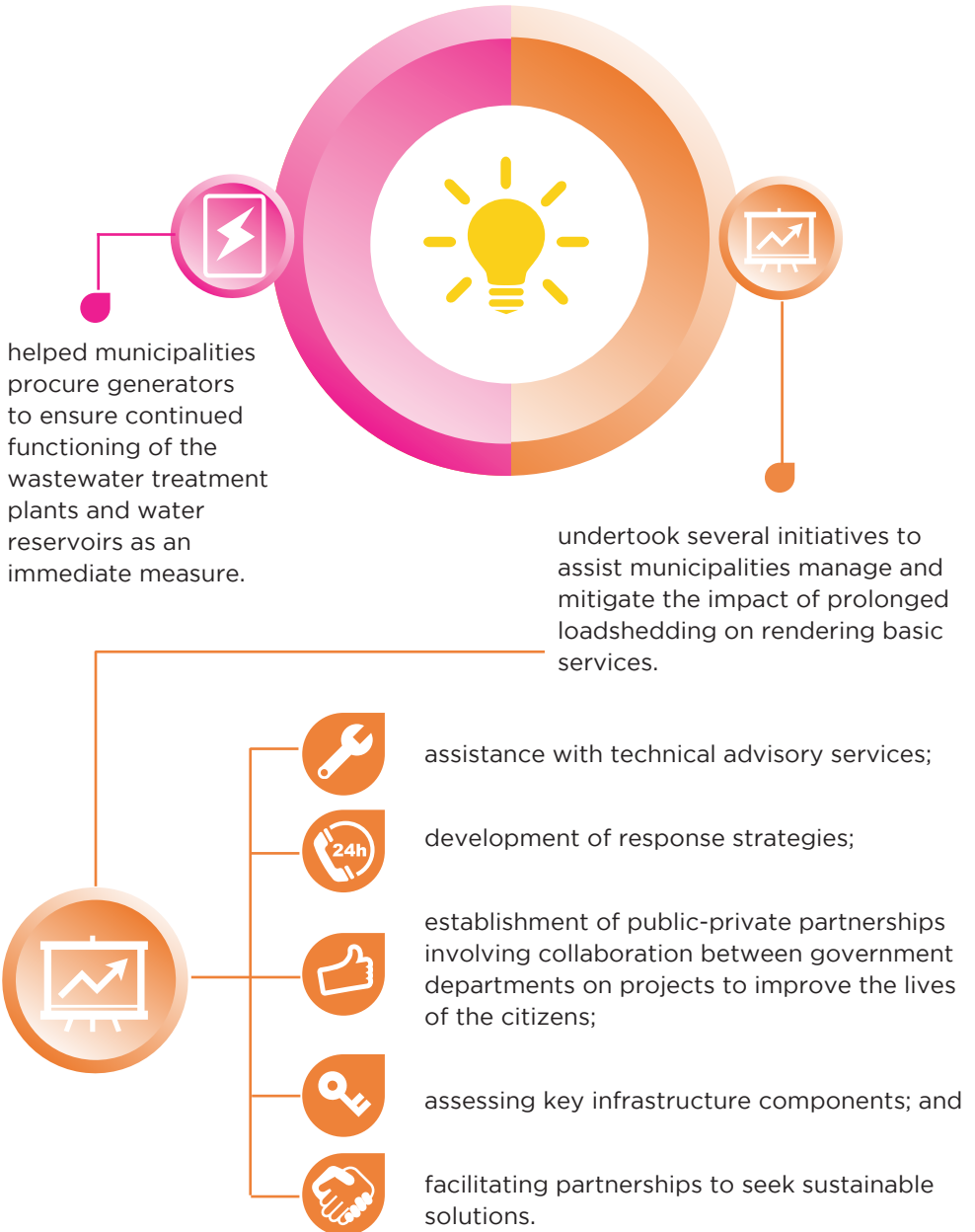
conducted civic education programmes at various municipalities to empower members of the public, not only with knowledge of their rights and responsibilities, but also the knowledge to understand and appreciate the role they should play in influencing municipal decision-making processes.

supported municipalities with training ward committees, developing and reviewing Ward Committee Operational Plans to strengthen the functionality of ward committees.

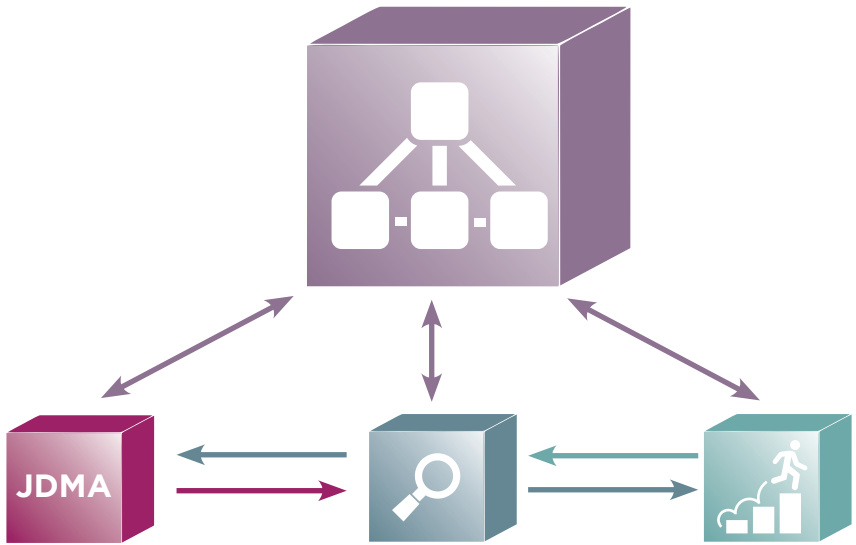
played a leading role in creating awareness on gender-based violence amongst various communities in partnership with key stakeholders including Community Development Workers. Conversations with communities were focused on gender-based violence issues. The Thusong Programme continued to be the Department's flagship programme piloting various initiatives to enhance positive economic impact on communities.

Loadshedding

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Collaborative Planning

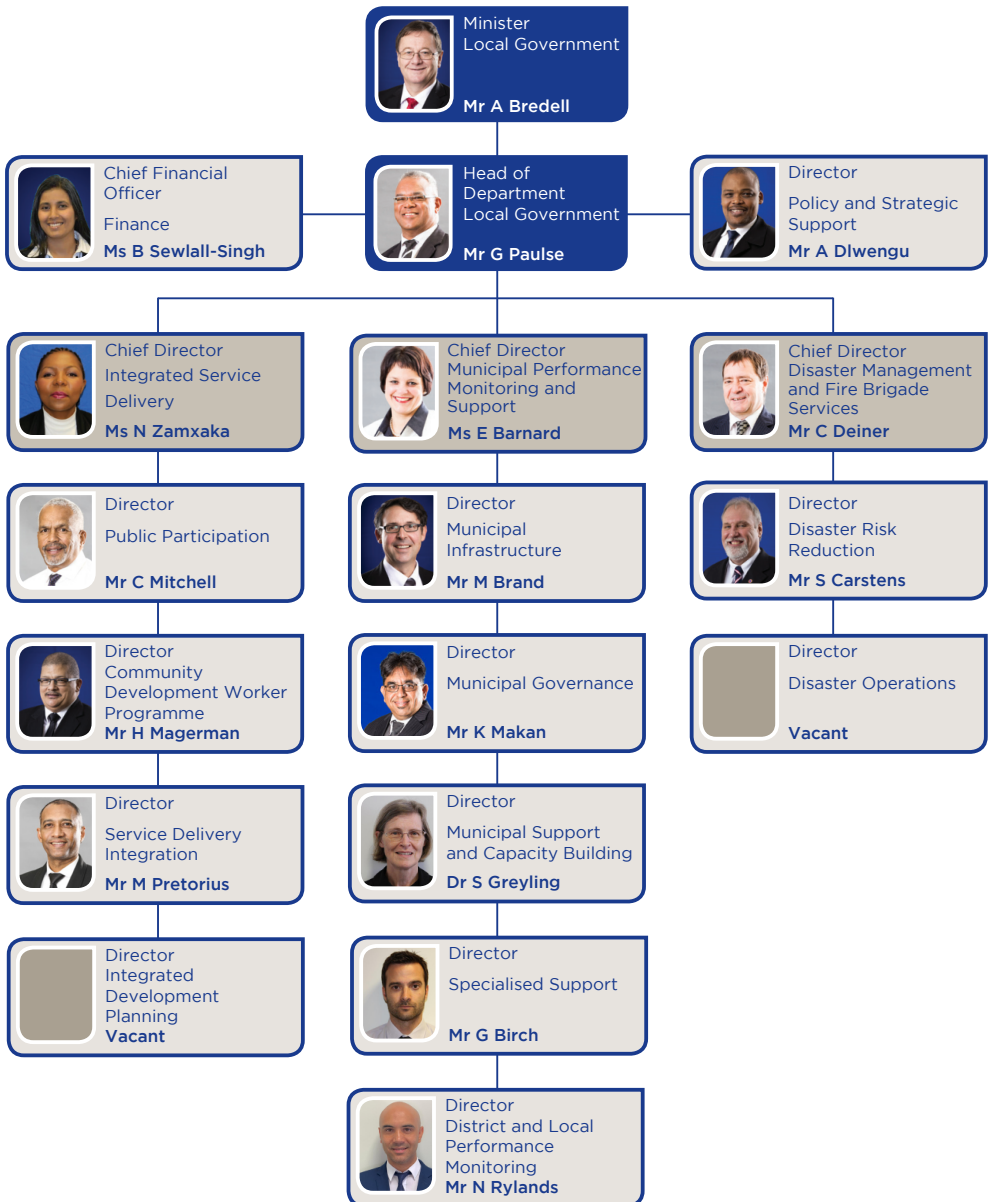


The Joint District and Metropolitan Approach (JDMA) was successfully implemented across the Province. It is premised on collaboration across the different spheres of government on a vertical and horizontal interface.

Several citizen-focused catalytic projects were launched to improve people's lives and their lived experiences.

The Department will continue to utilise this platform for integrated and sustainable service delivery.

Departmental Senior Management



Our Leaders

The Department has 17 funded SMS posts, including the Head of Department, Mr. G Pause. Together with MEC Bredell, the HoD provides guidance and direction towards achieving the Department's goals.



Minister
Anton Bredell



Mr Graham
Pause

Minister Anton Bredell is an elected politician, responsible for provincial government policy. His passion for the advancement of all communities drives the Department to implement projects that will make a difference in the lives of citizens.

The Head of the Department, **Mr Graham Pause**, is a public servant with the desire to see Local Government as the hub of innovation which will lead to effective and efficient delivery on the ministerial and governmental directives.

References

- Annual Performance Plan 2021/22 and 2022/23
- Annual Report 2021/22 and 2022/23
- Five-year Strategic Plan 2020/2025
- Departmental Service Delivery Charter

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