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## **Press Statement**

## For immediate release

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The National Lotteries Commission (NLC) is calling on Non-Profit Organisations, Non-Government Organisations, Public Benefit Trusts, Schools and Communities to apply for funding.

"Today's call is the second of three annual calls that will be made to the public to apply for funding in the current financial year," says NLC Commissioner Charlotte Mampane.

Mampane says the NLC has set aside funds in line with stated sector allocations as prescribed by the National Lotteries Act.

While the NLC will in future implement proactive funding to qualifying beneficiaries, Mampane says the NLC will continue to disburse funds primarily through open calls to the public, such as this one.

"We are anticipating a positive response and we therefore urge organisations to submit their applications as early as possible," she adds. "However, we would like to stress that beneficiaries must still comply with set criteria in order to be considered for funding.

"We would also like to take this opportunity to reiterate the fact that our recent change of status from National Lotteries Board to National Lotteries Commission will have no impact on our mandate to uplift communities through our grant funding process. The application and adjudication process will also continue as before."

Applications have officially commenced on 12 July 2015 for registered medium-sized organisations wishing to secure funding in excess of R500 000, while applications for smaller organisations will open on 1 October 2015. Closing dates for the current call for funding are 3 September 2015 and 12 November 2015 respectively.

Ends.



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