

## SANParks distributes food parcels to destitute communities

A South African National Parks (SANParks) initiative led by SANParks CEO Fundisile Mketeni distributed food parcels and water tanks to vulnerable communities bordering Marakele National Park in Limpopo.









Mketeni says SANParks's motive for distribution was to make the lives easier for the families reliant on national parks for an income during the pandemic. "These communities rely on the national parks for their survival, either through jobs or business opportunities," says Mketeni.

Funding for the initiative has been sourced from SANParks, the SANParks Honorary Rangers and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). A total of R13m will be used to purchase food parcels, hygiene products, education materials and water tanks. A total of 7,500 families will be supported nationally.

