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**SACP says.....**



# VOTE ANC



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## Working together:

We have built an inclusive local government system – on a non-racial basis – that supports urban and rural areas, including working class and poor communities.

Since the historic milestone of our 1994 democratic breakthrough, through which together we dislodged the apartheid regime and ushered in human rights, millions of our people realised important social achievements implemented by our liberation alliance as led by our governing party, the ANC. To mention a few achievements:

- The ANC-led government built approximately four million houses benefiting more than sixteen million people.
- It increased electrification to over seven million houses on a non-racial basis, two million more than the five million households electrified on a racist basis in the hundred years to 1994 by successive colonial and apartheid regimes since the first household electricity connection was made in Cape Town in 1894.
- In the period between 2001 and 2014 alone, more than two million households benefitted from indigent support for electricity.
- During the same period between 2001 and 2014 the ANC-led government increased access to clean water services from 61.3% to 90% households including rural areas that were deliberately either excluded from development or under-developed by successive colonial and apartheid regimes.
- The ANC-led government increased free basic water services dramatically from over seven million households in 2007 to over eleven million households in 2013.
- It expanded access to basic sanitation services from 62.3 percent of households in 2002 to 79.5 percent of households in 2014.
- The ANC-led government has built decent, ventilated and healthy toilets in many rural areas across the country – progress is still under way to achieve full coverage.



The ANC-led national government has improved the management of local government with improved planning capacity, audit outcomes and building a professional local government. It has put into law democratic participatory governance, introduced ward committees and strengthened councillor accountability.

### However much more needs to be done!

Despite our social achievements we face deep-seated problems of a system that was built over three centuries by colonial and apartheid oppression, a system that fails to meet the needs of humanity. The crisis of capitalism affects us daily. Food is becoming more and more expensive, electricity prices are rising and our environment is being destroyed by the capitalist system. Unemployment remains persistently high. But this is neither a time for despair nor to hand over our hard won victories to the opponents of our national democratic revolution. Working together we shall overcome the challenges!

*The SACP says vote for the ANC on 3 August 2016 in order to:*

### Defend the democratic local government

- Build the capacity of the state at the local level to render services directly rather than rely on outsourcing and privatisation – both of which are the breeding ground of corruption, patronage and continuing inequality.
- End outsourcing, in-source all functions at the end of existing contracts or tenders.
- Extend office hours in our municipalities including weekends to make local government services available to workers, improve local government performance and push back private sector managerial tools and profiteering through government at the expense of service to people.
- Fight corporate capture, corruption, crime, reclaim our streets from the drug lords and

the gangsters and confront drugs, substance and alcohol abuse to finish.

Defend, advance and deepen participatory government

- The SACP says councillors must consult meaningfully and listen to our people. Importantly, councillors must give regular feedback to communities. Exercising people's power on the ground, communities must hold councillors accountable and participate in social delivery.
- Public participation must not be used to extend patronage networks and to settle political scores. It must be used to genuinely canvass and empower our people through joint planning with them and joint action involving their participation to overcome the challenges they face and help them benefit from available opportunities – not only social but economic opportunities as well.
- Let the people truly govern and the basic wealth of our country and its resources be shared among them to progressively eliminate inequality!

### For a people centred and people driven local economic development

- Local economic development programmes must serve the needs of the people and not the markets or the big bosses.
- Build strong support for small business, informal sector and for co-operatives that are facing extinction from big corporation.
- Use land reform and agricultural support to small-scale farmers for food production for the people.





- Establish co-operative banks in each municipality to roll back the hold of big financial predators and oligopolies.
- Let us build sustainable communities and households by breaking the dependence of working class communities on the exploitative capitalist mode for consumer goods and services.
- Enhance planning capacity at local government and work towards synergy with spatial development plans, alignment with national and development goals and priorities.

and provide income to the poor through the development of a comprehensive social security programme.

- Let us use public employment programmes to deepen our community health education, promote better health outcomes, promote community centred preventative care and reduce the high cost of healthcare.
- Let us use public employment programmes to empower our youth and equip them to be productive contributors to society and the economy – from which they must benefit.

## For employment opportunities for all

- Use Expanded Public Works and Community Works Programmes to advance productive work for the working class and offer employment opportunities for the millions of our people on the basis of decent work!
- Through public employment programmes let us attend to our child-headed and female-headed households to make them safe, secure and address their needs.
- Through public employment programmes let us break the cycle of poverty, secure the vulnerable

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**Vote ANC on 3 August 2016**

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