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## Women's Day 2022

On Women's Day, the PSA calls on South African women to be change makers in society.

Women, despite having climbed mountains in pursuit of recognition, are unfortunately often still viewed as weak, defenceless, and in need of the guidance and protection of men. Yet, history has proven the opposite. From the historic Women's march in 1956, to being current-day pillars of society, women continue to play a vital role in society.

The PSA has been an ambassador for women's rights and equal opportunities for women, over decades. In 1971, for example, these efforts resulted in women being able to obtain permanent employment in the Public Service. These efforts continue today, with the PSA advocating for women to receive the same opportunities as their male colleagues. The PSA further calls on government to strengthen security structures and prosecutions to eradicate gender-based violence, which continues to impact on women's potential to claim their rightful place in society.

The PSA encourages women to embrace their calling and to be the change they want to see and support other women to become activists for change and self-empowerment.

GENERAL MANAGER