

PSA Day 2024: Celebrating shop stewards' service

n the bustling realm of public service, where unwavering commitment to public welfare prevails, the role of shop stewards stands as a testament to the principles of advocacy, representation, and solidarity. As the PSA celebrates PSA Day on 7 July 2024, the Union honours and recognises the invaluable contributions of its shop stewards who have tirelessly championed for the rights and interests of public-sector employees for more than a century.

Established in 1920, the PSA has been at the forefront of representing a diverse spectrum of public-sector employees across South Africa. The PSA has served as a steadfast advocate for members, striving to safeguard their rights, improve their working conditions, and advance their collective interests.

Central to the PSA's mission are its shop stewards, the dedicated individuals who serve as frontline representatives of their fellow public servants. Shop stewards play a critical role in ensuring that the voices of public servants are heard, respected, and acted upon. Whether it is addressing grievances, negotiating collective agreements, or advocating for policy changes, shop stewards are the guardians of workplace democracy and the backbone of the PSA's organisational strength.

Throughout its storied history, the PSA has remained steadfast in its commitment to promoting social justice, equality, and dignity in the workplace. From the struggles of the past, including labour-rights violations, to the challenges of the present, the PSA and its shop stewards have stood in solidarity with public servants, working for their rights and well-being in the face of adversity. PSA Day is a suitable occasion to celebrate the resilience, dedication, and selflessness of shop stewards who are dedicated to service. It is a day to reflect on victories, challenges overcome, and the enduring spirit of camaraderie that binds PSA members together in pursuit of common goals.

PSA shop stewards are also catalysts for positive change in their communities. Through their involvement in community outreach programs, shop stewards embody the ethos of public service both in and out of the workplace. Their tireless efforts to uplift and empower those around them exemplify the values of compassion, solidarity, and civic responsibility that lie at the heart of the Union of Choice.

On PSA Day, the Union pays tribute to the indomitable spirit of its shop stewards who have played a pivotal role in shaping the public service landscape. This dedication, courage, and commitment serve as an inspiration to all.

Thank you!

