

## **COJ DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT'S OPPORTUNITY CENTRE – CITY DEEP**

The Department of Economic Development has rolled Opportunity Centres (OCs) across the city to provide range of integrated services to support the SMMEs in line with the city's objectives to grow the economy of Johannesburg and create much needed jobs.

So far, seven OCs were opened i.e. in Johannesburg CBD (Khoeboc OC), Roodepoort, Isiwqalo OC, Diepsloot OC, Thlabologo OC, Klipfonteinview OC, Thusanag OC, Alexandra OC, Ikamvalethu OC, Diepkloof (Soweto), Atlelang OC, and Montclare OC, Simunye OC.

Two new business centres have been opened in Eldorado Park and Joburg Market.

These Opportunity Centres serve as one-stop-shops for emerging and established SMMEs who require advice and support to grow their businesses. The City has partnered with various government and private organisations to provide effective support.

### **The following standard services are provided at all Opportunity Centres for free:**

- General Business information and guidance
- Company registration
- Business plan assessments
- Gap analysis
- Development plans
- Training sessions on issues such as Financial Literacy, marketing, Sales, and operations management, tax compliance, etc.
- Facility usage such as the use of meeting rooms, boardrooms and internet services for business research.
- Funding research and Facilitation including funding product awareness and guidance on application processes
- Assistance with the City's supplier and database compliance
- Business idea generation and supply chain training to improve access to markets
- Referrals to relevant business support services
- Free access to Wi-fi

All Opportunity Centres will host an opportunity seeker's database where job seekers can submit their CVs.

Government and the private sector will be able to access the database to link Registered job-seekers to work opportunities.

Joburg Market Business Centre 4 Fortune Street, City Deep 011 061-3152	Ikamvaletu Opportunity Center 1st Floor, Alexandra Multi-Purpose Centre Crn 8 Avenue and Roosevelt Street, Alexandra Tel: 011 4077964	Thlabolong Opportunity Centre 1131 Ingonyama street, Diepsloot Tel: 010 224 0402
Atlehang Opportunity Center Soweto Empoerment Zone Zone 6, Chris hani Road, Diepkloof, Soweto		Orange farm skill Centre Orange Farm, JHB South Tel 011 462 9474
	11 Isiqalo Opportunity Center 4th Floor, Roodepoort Civic Theatre	
Eldorado Park Business centre Elderado Park Civic center Extesion 5, First Floor, 4064 Link Road Eldorado Park Johannesburg 1811	Christian De Wet Road, Florida Park Tel: 011 4077844	Thusanang Opportunity Centre Klipforntein View Multi-Purpose Centre Lpelle Street, Klipforntein View Tel: 011 407 7714
	Simunye Opportunity Centre Danie Van Zyl Multipurpose Centre	
Khoebo Opportunity Centre 9 Floor, Samancor Building, 88 Marshall Street, Johannesburg CBD Tel: 010 980 0953/52	Crn Plantation and Rex Road, Montclare	