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RURAL communities in the KwaBhidla Village outside Bulwer are set to benefit when a newly-launched rural housing project is completed in the coming years. This was highlighted by KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Human Settlements and Public Works Ravi Pillay at Nkumba Sports Field, outside Bulwer, last Thursday, January 31.

The 500 units which will be built in the area will change the lives of poor communities.

Pillay handed over house keys to a poor family after a fully-furnished house with electricity was built as a show-house for the project. He acknowledged Operation Sukuma Sakhe for identifying poor families who will benefit from the housing project.

"I would like to thank the community for being patient with government. This government has built many houses for people as well as schools, clinics, and hospitals. Government has also provided nutrition to certain schools, which has made a serious impact in fighting poverty," said Pillay.

Resident Zoleka Mthembu thanked government and stakeholders for handing over the show-house to a deserving family.

Harry Gwala District Municipality deputy mayor Ntuseng Duma called on community members to take care of government facilities.



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The show-house in KwaBhidla, Bulwer, shows communities what they can expect from the project.