





# Polokwane

Economic Hub of Limpopo Province An Investment Guide



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**Cllr Thembi Nkadimeng** 

## **Investment guide**

The City of Polokwane is one of the fastest growing in the north and is bustling with economic and business opportunities that have made it to become the centre for regional economic development in the area.

Council has successfully put in place measures to transform the institution into viable machinery to tackle ageing infrastructure, water and sanitation backlog, rural electrification and develop solid maintenance programme for its infrastructure. Progress is underway to improve the total road network in the city. Our commitment to development is unquestionable.

We began a few years ago and we continue to up our game in anticipation of greater things to come our way. We continue to consistently investing in our people and service offerings in order to improve how we service our clients.

The Integrated Rapid Transport System is progressing well. It is intended to assist the municipality to provide adequate transport infrastructure, increase utilization of public transport services and to improve the image and acceptability of the public transport across various income groups. The extension of the N1 bypass also brings with it potential for investment opportunities.

The city is hard at work to ensure that smart connectivity in the city is created to have access to broadband and Wi-Fi. The municipality will continuously implement the Smart City Concept in the other service delivery fields to create an encouraging environment for investment growth. We have achieved consensus with the business community to find ways to unlock job opportunities, find smart ways to unlock economic growth using the land that the city own and effectively deal with illegal land use. There is a great potential for investment in central city property management and entertainment sector. The arts theatre project also brings with it massive investment opportunities in the entertainment sector. The city centre requires revitalization and remodeling of business operations.

I invite you to read through this publication on our offering and value proposition in line with our position on the road map and what we can achieve together. I'm looking forward for future engagements on some of the opportunities presented here.

#### Cllr Thembi Nkadimeng

Executive Mayor, Polokwane Municipality

# A Brief History of the City

San hunters roamed the plains of Limpopo over 20 000 years ago, whose passage is recorded in the rock paintings in caves and shelters throughout the region. Later, the iron ore miners and traders are known to have frequented the region from their settlements at Mapungubwe.

Polokwane, as a modern city, owes its presence to the location as replenishment station for the early hunters and traders making the journey by ox wagon to northern destinations.

The discovery of gold in the I 880's led to the establishment of a more permanent town named Pietersburg, after the Boer leader Piet Joubert. After independence in1994 the name was changed to Polokwane, meaning "Place of Safety".

The discovery of gold deposits south of the town attracted prospectors from all corners of the globe who came to ply their individual traders in a boom town environment.

Gold mining has all but ceased in the area today leaving just the site of the South Africa's first ore-crushing machine, located off the R I OI south from the city.

From the early days agriculture has played an important role in the economy. Agricultural produce, originally farmed to feed the local community is now exported to all corners of South Africa and abroad.

Within the city are some interesting historical sites, including the site of the Anglo-Boer War (1899 - 1902) concentration camp where Boer women and children were interned. A cemetery is located at the site.

Museums and art galleries, through extensive collections, tell the story of Polokwane's progress through the centuries.











# Travelling to Polokwane

Access to Polokwane by air is linked to OR Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg. Operator, Airlink, offers daily flights between the two centres with additional schedules being planned as the route develops. Flights to Polokwane use the Polokwane Gateway International Airport situated just 5km from the city centre. This modern and extensive facility has also become an important terminus for fruit and vegetable exports to Europe and other international destinations.

Visitors travelling north from Pretoria or south from Louis Trichardt will use NI highway. Visitors from the east and Tzaneen will enter the city either by the R71 or R81. The western route exits are via the R567 to meet the N1 I to continue to the Botswana border at Groblersbrug border post.

Numerous luxury coach and taxi services operate frequent daily service from Johannesburg and Pretoria.

Private aircraft utilise the facilities at Polokwane Gateway International airport.





## **Distance chart**

To Polokwane from:	
CapeTown	l 735km
Durban	930km
Johannesburg	330km
Nelspruit	278km
Port Elizabeth	1368km
Pretoria	275km
Rustenburg	344km
Bela Bela	174km
Burgersfort	160km
Giyani	153km
Hoedspruit	209km
Lephelale	235km
Modimolle	147km
Marble Hall	161km
Mokopane	58km
Mookgophong	103km
Musina	202km
Phalaborwa	204km
Tzaneen	89km
Sun City	382km
Orpen Gate KNP	346km
Phalaborwa Gate	204km
KNP Punda Maria	237km
KNP Pafuri Gate KNP	364km

# Polokwane Fact File



# Languages

At least 6 of South Africa's 11 Languages are spoken. These include :-

Sepedi, Xitsonga, TshiVenda, isiNdebele, English, Afrikaans

The population of the region is spread across a wide area around the city. The township of Seshego is one of the largest urban developments in South Africa.

# **Amenities and Services**

Polokwane is the largest city and the regional capital of Limpopo. The provincial government departments are located within the city.

Some of the more important facilities include:-

- · Provincial government departments
- · Legal services
- · Several investment bureau
- · Easy access to African markets north of the Limpopo
- · Good commuter infrastructure
- · Excellent communication facilities
- · Sporting facilities
- · Educational Facilities up to University level
- · University of Limpopo
- · Good skilled and semi skilled work force
- Vibrant regional economy
- · Religious and faith infrastructure
- Access to Mineral Resources and Mining operations
- · Heavy freight route passing through the city
- Active commercial and trade organizations
- · All leading banks, insurance and accounting firms operate from the city
- · Car rental offices for all major operators
- · Excellent Visitor information bureau

# Weather and Climate

Polokwane enjoys a pleasant and equitable climate throughout the year. It is unusual for the winter lows of the southern highveld to reach the region. On the other hand lowveld summer highs are uncommon. Average daily temperatures.

Winter: 5°Cto20°C Summer: 17°Cto29°C

Polokwane falls within the summer rainfall belt with an average of 500mm falling during the summer months.





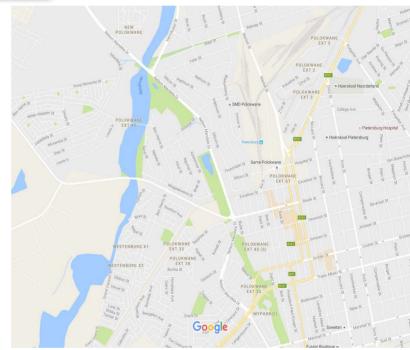


# Location

Polokwane is the provincial capital of Limpopo Province. It is the largest city in the north of the country, and the major economic hub in the province. It is centrally positioned within the Capricom District Municipality, 60km, South of the Tropic of Capricon, making a large part of the region easily accessible.

The city of Polokwane proximity as the nearest major centre to the neighbouring countries of Botswana, Zimbabwe, Mozambique and Swaziland, makes it an ideal international gateway and good destination in itself.

The excellent climate makes Polokwane an ideal place to live and also promotes sport and recreation. Summer rainfall varies between 400 – 600mm per year.



# Why Polokwane?

# Main Resources | Attractions

Polokwane's temperate warm climate is ideal for sports, recreation and general outdoor living all year round. Polokwane is considered one of the premier hunting destination in South Africa.



Zion City at Moria

It's the headquarters of the Zion Christian Church, which attracts more than a million pilgrims every Easter. the talent of local artists. The museum is located at Library Gardens on Schoeman Street.

## Polokwane Art Museum

It was inspired by Mr. Jack Botes back in 1972, to start an art collection. This art museum houses a collection of 800 art works by renowned artists and centres around the province. This interesting collection of sculpture, paintings and ceramics, bears testimony to the talent of local artists. The museum is located at Library Gardens on Schoeman Street.





## Hugh Exton Photographic Museum

An extensive collection of early photographs taken between I 892 and 1945. The collection is of immense historical importance and is housed at the Dutch Reformed Church - Bookings essential.



# Bakone Malapa Open Air Museum

This is one of the finest South African cultural sites and an important ecucational insight into the early lives of the Bakone communities, all in an authentic African setting. Bookings essential. Great photographic opportunities.

### The Polokwane Game Reserve

3200 hectares in a scenic acacia grassland environment, just 15 minutes from the city centre. The reserve is home to 52 mammal species, with rhino, giraffe and sable antelope as a special attraction. Over 200 bird species have been recorded at the reserve making this a perfect birding destination for birders. There are several picnic sites available. Hiking and horse trails are offered.



#### Polokwane Golf Club

This establishment was opened in 1 863 making this the oldest golf course in South Africa. Now a social and sporting mecca for the local community. The club offers a range of sporting andleisure activities.

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## Polokwane Bird and **Reptile Park**

An aviary and aquarium make this an attractive outing for the family. Wonderful photo opportunities.

#### Farmyard Trading Post

An ideal retreat for the whole family to eniov theme shopping, and animal farm and restaurant.

#### **Eloff Gallery**

A fine selection of contempory art and handcrafts displayed in a modern setting at 77 Dorp Street.

# The Ranch Hotel Complex

Apart from being a country hotel, spa and conference centre, the Ranch Hotel is also home to a pride of lions which have featured in a number of films and promotions. Guided walks into the lion enclosure are offered to quests, while others can enjoy the nightly roaring of the pride in a true - Out of Africa experience.

#### Makapan Caves Complex

The Makapan Cave complex is located east of the R I 01 and north of Mokopane, in a deep valley on the Strydpoort range of hills. It was here in 1925 that the remains of an early hominid. australopithecus africanus, dating back more than 3million years were discovered. Visits can be arranged via the Mokopane Municipality. The road to the caves is guite rough and it might be easier for visitors to call the Mokopane Museum where a fossil display can be viewed.

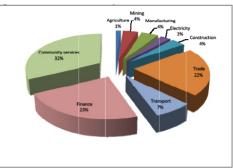


#### **Tropic of Capricorn**

Travel north on the N1 for approximately 60km. The Capricorn obelisk is to the left on he brow of a hill

# **Economics Statistics**

Figure 13 shows that the major contributor of the municipal economy is community services which contributed approximately 32% of the local economy. The second largest is finance (23%, followed by trade sector at 22%. This indicate that the predominance of the economic activity in Polokwane is generated by sale or purchase of goods and services, which links well with the manufacturing of good as the money and jobs generated by the other sector will be reinvested into Polokwane through the retail, wholesale and trade.



Source: Global Insight, 2015

Annual household Income

#### Table 1: Population size and growth rate in Polokwane Municipality

2007	2011	2016	Population growth rate 2007-2016
Population Growth rate	2.3%	2.2%	2.1%

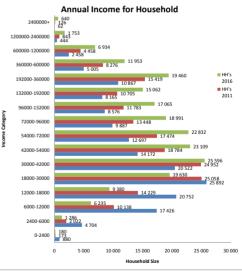
Source: StatsSA 2016

### Polokwane Labour Market, 2007, 2011, 2016



Source: Global Insight, 2015

# Why invest in Polokwane-Attractions and its economy



Source: Global Insight, 2016

- 1. Access to Africa's markets
- 2. Developed infrastructure connecting Limpopo the entire SADC region and the world
- 3. Excellent investment opportunities and a business friendly environment
- 4. Top-rate telecommunication systems
- 5. Well-developed trade support facilities
- 6. Transparent and fair trading
- 7. Government policies that ensure political and economic stability
- 8. Competitive investment incentives
- 9. Skilled and semi-skilled labour force
- 10. Unsurpassed quality of life.



The major contributor to the municipal economy is the community services sector, which is responsible for 30.9% of the value of contribution. It incorporates a wide range of activities from economic development, infrastructure and community upliftment project by both private and public sector. Mining is also very small, with a contribution of only 0.5% being the lowest contributor. Economic growth in Polokwane was mostly driven by consumer expenditure and by the centralization of provincial public service functions from former homelands. These drivers appear to have reached their full potential, meaning that the municipal economic growth rate has probably peaked and could weaken going forward. Accelerated economic growth and job creation will require new and innovative drivers of development.

#### The labour Market in Polokwane

Global Insight research estimated the economically active population in Polokwane at 27.0% of persons for 2010 and 26.8% of persons in 2011. This implies a labour force participation rate of approximately 53.8% based on the proportion of percentage of the population of working age (i.e. 15 to 64 years) for 2011.

#### **Opportunities offered by Polokwane**

Polokwane offers a range of skills developed opportunities, not just for Limpopo, but also for the country. Major educational institutions such as University of Limpopo, TUT, FET, Private Training Institutions and Unisa are located in Polokwane. The city has large tracks of industrial land available within the existing town planning scheme. The city can develop into a virtual and a physical logistics and trading hub. The advent of 2010 FIFA World Cup which was held in June 2010 presented enormous opportunities for Polokwane. The infrastructure brought about by this historic event presents the city with an opportunity to become a national sport tourism node with some international sporting codes that can also be accomodated. The district manufacturing sector is mainly located in Polokwane. A key opportunity relates to the need to strengthen forward and backward linkages in the manufacturing sector, especially within the food and beverages cluster as well as agriculture. The meat cluster and the vegetable value chain can be extended to increase the multiplier effect.





# Commerce and Industry

Commercial possibilities are numerous and can be accessed easily due to the excellent infrastructure and growing markets in Polokwane, Many companies are reviewing the possibilities of opening branch operations in order to serve the wider northern Limpopo from a viable base.

The development of the modern and extensive commercial infrastructure in the suburb of Nirvana off the southern entrance to Polokwane offers an attractive location for small and medium business premises.











#### Some possible areas for investment

Food processing Milling of grains Packaging of fresh fruit Vegetable and fruit canning Potato processing Tomato processing (paste, sauces and dried tomatoes) Crushing fruit for juice Meat processing including chicken Oil extraction, sunflowers, peanuts etc. Bakeries Marula and sorghum beer Brick making/Sporting venues Construction

#### Commercial services

Fast foods Banking - by the extension of branches Printing and copy services Motor spares and tyre outlets Medical services Photographic processing

#### Communications

Cellphone services International calls Internet Internet cafes Wifi hotspots Postal services Courier services Taxis Car rental Bus services

#### Manufacturing

Agro-Processing Park Develop an organic food sector fruit and vegetable canning

#### Logistics

Agrī-Logistics Hub Truck Stop and Filling Station Air cargo Air passenger

#### Retirement precinct

Retirement village housing Retirement village business complex Private fragile care centre Special needs care units

#### Education

Private schools Special needs schools Student housing

Tourism Medical tourism packages Hotel Wedding venue development

# Transport - essential for infrastructure development

#### **Polokwane Gateway International Airport**

The continuing development of the Polokwane Gateway Airport complex is an ongoing programme to create a transport hub for the entire northern province of South Africa. Although passengers are currently just 38 000 per annum the airport handles up to 2million kg of freight each year. Much of this freight is in the form of fruit, cut flowers and vegetable exports. Freight carrying aircraft arrive and depart in a constant flow. Ground handling facilities have been upgraded in order to offer the best possible hub experience to operators and freight forwarders.

Gateway can accept aircraft of all sizes and containing all permissible loads. A category 7 fire and rescue service is maintained at the airport.

The airport is equipped with all handling facilities and is supported by a railway siding on the perimeter. Polokwane envisages rapid growth over the coming years as the OR Tambo International facilities become more congested.

Investors should be aware that Gateway offers an excellent alternative to the N1 highway via the adjacent rail terminus.

Farm produce, in the form of citrus, avocados, tomatoes, mangoes, bananas and cut flowers will be delivered to Gateway International from all agricultural regions for onward transport to export markets. Prompt delivery schedules are an essential element of this service to farmers.





# Road Transportheavy haulage

Polokwane is a natural hub with a fine network of roads travelling in all directions from the city.

Transport opportunities can be categorized into every area of commerce, agriculture, construction mining and business.

Mining operations to the north and south of Polokwane have extensive needs in the transport of Ores, Minerals and Coal. Minerals from Zambia and the DRC pass through Polokwane daily providing excellent fuelling, roadside maintenance and rescue services.



### Medium to light transport

A wealth of opportunities are presented in this category by the dynamic growth in construction and distribution.

#### Categories include:-

- · Distribution to rural shops and centres
- · Distribution of school supplies and books to regional schools
- · Transport of building materials to construction sites
- Furniture distribution to rural areas for the furniture industry

 Fresh food deliveries to supermarkets, restaurants and stores throughout the region

Daily bus and taxi services for commuters from satellite and rural communities to the city



# Agriculture and food processing



Agriculture, from the earliest days, has been a key element in the economy of the region and today represent an important contributing factor in the ongoing development of Polokwane as a central node for agriculture. The main contributing crops and products are :-

- Cattle ranching from all areas
- · Tomatoes from the region around Morebeng
- Avocados, macadamia nuts, bananas, tea, mangoes, and other tropical fruits from the Tzaneen
- Citrus near Zebedeillia
- Tropical fruits including Mangoes, bananas and guavas from the Levubu valley.
- · White meat production and eggs
- Oil seeds production and goat meat production and processing

The marketing of these crops require that all must pass through Polokwane to reach their destinations either through local road transport or via Polokwane Gateway International Airport to export markets.

The expertise to maintain a constant and efficient flow of products will require the participation of a wide range of services for which Polokwane must be prepared.



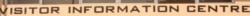














# **Tourism and Business**

The recently announced national initiative to counter unemployment in South Africa has identified tourism as a key element.

Polokwane is just three hours drive from the major Metropolitan hubs of Pretoria and Johannesburg. Populations from these centres seek to travel extensively over weekends and holidays to escape the congestion and restrictions of city life.

The National Parks and reserves, throughout the greater Polokwane region are some of the most beautiful in South Africa and should be promoted as attractive destinations.

Investment opportunities in the provision of services, transport and accommodation can be developed from a Polokwane base where all services are on hand.

Business travellers provide a large percentage of tourism income to the city and this will increase as the rapid growth of Polokwane is reflected in the economy. For this reason, opportunities to invest in this sector will be a major area of consideration.

Conference facilities are available for all categories from large urban facilities to more personal country retreats.







Areas for possible development include : Cultural Aattractions Tourist lodge style accommodation Touring 4X4 Trails Adventure Tourism facilities Conference Developments at Provincial Parks Cycle races and marathons Regional fairs Quad biking sites Horse riding trails through Parks and Reserves Camping facilities Art and handcraft outlets Pottery and basketry outlets Mountain biking trails

Polokwane has a fully staffed Visitors Information Centre off Church Street within the Civic Square. Visitors are welcome to visit to collect brochures and maps of the area.

Tel: +27 15 290 2010 tourisminfo@polokwane.gov.za





Limpopo Wildlife Resorts, is a Polokwane based organization which has been established to develop and promote interest in the province and to provide management for a number of resorts located within many of the municipal parks. These facilities could become a major drawcard for incoming visitor to Polokwane. The Ivory Route operates many of its 4x4 routes from Wildlife Resorts facilities.



# SMME's

Itsoseng Entrepreneurial Centre is the SMME Incubation Centre which was founded by the Polokwane Municipality Economic Development & Tourism (SBU). This initiative was created to serve the needs of SMME who are actively involved in the strategic sectors of the local economy.

The Primary goal of the centre is to assist these SMMEs through the provision of infrastructural service, on job training and the necessary market intelligence to open their business to a wider market. These initiative support the targets set by ASGISA and PGSD which call for the eradication of poverty and the creation of employment opportunities.

The time scale calls for three years of intensive monitoring after which participants must leave the programme to make way for new participants.

#### There are several criteria and entry requirements, including :-

· Preference will be given to disfranchised groups.

• The businesses must be located within the Polokwane Municipality boundaries.

• The owner must be prepared to sign up for a period of three years.



The preferred eco-tourism destination

Limpopo Tourism and Parks is the official promotional and management organization for Limpopo tourism. This organisation has offices off the NI south of the city. All promotional work undertaken has a beneficial effect on tourism arrivals into the province and generally benefits both Polokwane and the province as a whole. Potential investors can contact the organisation for specific tourism and parks information.



The business should be at least one year old prior to acceptance. The business must be legally registered. This centre, located in the western part of Polokwane, and a imaginative initiative aimed at bringing small operators into the mainstream

economy. The sated vision is to create an environment conducive for the sustainable economic development for the better of all.

#### The specific areas of participation are:-

Investment promotion. Promotion of SMME's tourism related opportunities. Economic Planning and Market Research Furniture and Woodwork Arts and Crafts Iron and Steel work Clothing and Textiles Food and Beverages Chemical manufacturing Screen printing design and signage Toilet paper manufacturing

Other professions not mentioned will always be considered for the programme.

## Franchise opportunities

The franchising of service and products has become a major opportunity for individuals to enter the business environment, Polokwane is no exception.

As the city develops and suburbs move outwards, a need arises for all manner of service for the convenience of communities. No resident in Seshego will want to travel 14km to collect chicken for dinner!

Entrepreneurs should anticipate in such opportunities by carrying out market research to establish the direct response of the communities





## To potential investments.

Several franchise opportunities might include:-

- · Fast foods Restaurants
- The distribution of cosmetics
- The distribution of Educational aids
- · Printing and binding business
- Taxis, driver participation
- Vehicle spare parts CarWash
- Grain Milling Transport
- · Cleaning services to shopping centres

# Arts, Sports and Culture

#### Peter Mokaba Stadium

The modern sporting venue was built to provide for the 2010 World Cup. The stadium, which was named after the late Peter Mokaba, a prominent leader in the region, reflects the city's commitment to sport and the social upliftment of the community. This world class sporting venue is located just 5km from the city centre on the extension to Dorp Street.

The Stadium has been designed to accommodate any number of events from major crowds to more intimate functions in specially designed function rooms.



The stadium has a capacity of 45000 and has been successfully used for local soccer tournaments, concerts and sociopolitical gatherings since the World Cup. With the announcement that the Black Leopards Soccer Club will be based in Polokwane, the use of the stadium will increase dramatically.

#### **Stadium facts**

- Capacity 45000
- 800 seater function room
- 27 skybox suites for rental
- · 2 Conference halls for up to 600 delegates
- · 100 capacity press room
- · Full restaurant and usual facilities

#### The Arts

Limpopo has long been regarded as the leading South African destination for original and contempory African Art.

Collectors and exporters of original African paintings, sculpture, ceramics, basketry and pottery will find a wealth of classic examples from some of the internationally acclaimed artists





#### **Strategic Location**

Potential Investors should look beyond the immediate Polokwane markets by investigating the opportunities which are fast developing North of Polokwane, which give the city an immediate advantage in trade due to the central location. Limpopo has a GNP of just under R140 billion. Of this, Polokwane provides the distribution hub for all trade within the northern regions by the nature of its location.

#### Setting up a business

Foreign companies wishing to establish a branch in Polokwane (Limpopo) usually register as an external company. To do this it will be necessary to register the company with CIPRO within 21 days of commencement.

The most common types of business are: Private Companies (Pty Ltd) Public Companies (Ltd) Close Corporations (cc) In order to trade it is necessary to apply for a business permit.

Polokwane is an ideal base to offer skills, showcase products and to trade. The immediate Polokwane population of 700 000 people is complimented by considerable additional communities across a wide circle from the city. Indeed, throughout the entire northern most regions of Limpopo.

### **Polokwane Chamber of Commerce**

Business and Investors, looking to invest in the Polokwane region can contact the organization. The organization has many business members, many of whom have served for years. Their knowledge of local conditions and the business environment as a whole could be invaluable to incoming investors. www.pcob.co.za

## **Department of Trade and Industry**

The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) supplies potential investors with support and business information on a wide range of areas.

- Foreign Exchange Regulations and control
- Business and procedures for registration
- Sources of finance for the foreign investor
- Property and Licenses, including Intellectual Property, Cellular Licenses and Banking licenses.
- Tax Registration
- Legal matters including competition laws and labour laws
- Contract information for the labour sector and national investment agencies

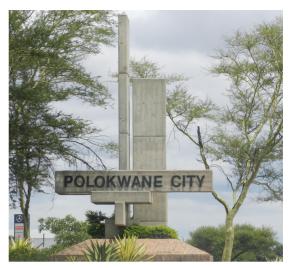
#### For more information:

DTI website: www.thedti.gov.za

Limpopo Economic Development Agency is an official investment and trade promotion and facilitation agency of the Limpopo Provincial Government. The agency research, package and market investment opportunities, and offer a wide range of services aimed at assisting and supporting investors to establish themselves in Limpopo or to trade with the province.

Limpopo Economic Development Agency offers investors a comprehensive one-stop service to support and facilitate investment and expansion into South African, African and other international markets. Polokwane has a leading business development network for Limpopo companies seeking to expand operations locally, and into African and other foreign markets. According to Trade & Investment Limpopo, it is the policy of the government to encourage economic development through private sector

initiatives; therefore foreign and local investment in all business sectors is welcomed.



Various investment and other incentives are available to investors.

- Small Medium Enterprise Development Programme (SMEDP)
- Skills Support Programme (SSP)
- · Export Marketing and Investment Assistance (EMIA)
- Strategic Industrial Programme (SIP)

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# Local Incentives

The City offers an excellent package of financial incentives to industrialists who wish to establish in one of its industrial areas. These benefits make considerable impact on bottom line profits. In fact, the municipality follows a flexible open door policy and benefits can be negotiated to suit individual needs.

Overall Polokwane can thus offer exceptional incentives to discerning businessmen searching for better investment opportunities with enhanced lifestyles.

Private and Other Incentives

The IDC - Competitive Financing for Development

IDC offers a wide array of financial instruments, including:

 Equity, Quasi-Equity, Commercial Debt, Wholesale & Bridging Finance, Share Warehousing, Guarantees, Export/Import finance, Short-term Trade Finance, Wholesale Venture capital. Assistance is provided for development of new projects, expansions or rehabilitation of existing projects and also BEE buy-ins into existing businesses. Development financing schemes targeting the BPO&O sector are available.IDC wants to help the BPO sector in SA to expand

Contacts: Willie Fourie- Head: Techno-Industries SBUcallcentre@idc.co.za, Call centre: 0860 693 888, Techno-Industries: Tel: (011) 269 3364 Email: willief@idc.co.za

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# Learning Institutions

The primary and high schools provide excellent tuition facilities. There are also technical colleges and music centres, the University of the North, and the provincial headquarters of the University of South Africa, and Technikon satellite campuses.

There are several educational institutions in the area. These include several agricultural, technical; teachers training and nursing colleges, a Technikon and two universities. Several provincial high schools qualify among the top I 00 schools as per Matric/Grade 12/School leaving examinations eachyear.

#### Institutions:



# Investment opportunities

## 1. Manufacturing

- · Agro-Processing Park
- Develop an Organic Food Sector
- fruit and vegetable canning

## 2. Logistics

- Agri-Logistics Hub
- Truck Stop and Filling Station
- Air cargo
- Air passenger

## **3. Retirement precinct**

- Retirement village housing
- Retirement village business complex
- Private fragile care centre
- · Special needs care units

## 4. Education

- · Private schools
- · Special needs schools
- · Student housing

## 5. Tourism

- · Medical tourism packages
- Hotel
- · Wedding venue development



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# Useful telephone numbers and contact details

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## **Cellular phones (Emergencies)**

Cell C	084148
MTN	112
Vodacom	147
Telephone Enquiries – local	1023

#### International

Airport Telephone Numbers	
Eastgate Airport, Hoedspruit	015 793 3681
Phalaborwa Kruger National Park Airport	015 781 5823
Polokwane Gateway International	015 288 0122
Johannesburg International	086 727 7888
Lanseria Inter. Airport	011 659 2750
Kruger Mpumalanga Inter. Airport	013 753 7500

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#### **Taxis**

City Taxis	015 297 4493
Maxi Taxis	072 704 9872

### **National Car Hire Operators**

AJC 4X4 Hire	015 781 1500
Avis Rent a Car	015 288 0171
Budget Rent a Car	086 101 6622
Europcar	015 288 0097
Hertz Rent a Car	015 288 9900
Tempest Car Hire	015 288 0204



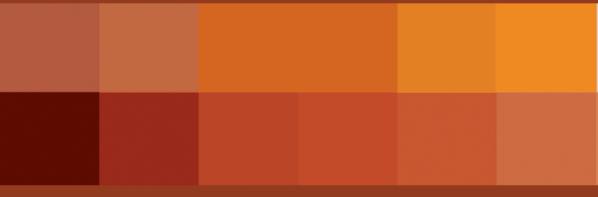
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