

UJ Nelson Mandela International Day

In celebration of Nelson Mandela International Day, the UJ Community Engagement Unit invites the UJ community to commemorate this day on the 18th of July 2025, and beyond, by engaging in various community initiatives. This year's theme, "It's still in our hands to combat poverty and inequity," serves as a powerful call to action. You can take part in a variety of activities planned for the month of July as follows:

1. 18 July 2025: Hospital Visits

We will be visiting hospitals to lend a helping hand to the sick and most vulnerable members of our society. Buses will be departing from each campus at 08h30 in the morning on the 18th of July 2025 to visit the following hospitals per campus:

Auckland Park Bunting Road Campus – Nelson Mandela Children's Hospital

Auckland Park Kingsway Campus – Helen Joseph Tertiary Hospital Doornfontein Campus – Charlotte Maxeke Academic Hospital

Soweto Campus – Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic and Bheki Mlangeni Hospitals

Please RSVP for Nelson Mandela Day Hospital visit: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/q26yF74npr. You may also choose to use your own transport to the hospital, but please make sure that you RSVP at the above link so that we can control the numbers.

2. Mandela Day Walk and Run

We are calling upon the UJ community to be part of the Annual Mandela Day Walk & Run. You can walk or run from anywhere in the world to honour and celebrate Tata Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela. To participate in a virtual walk/run, please register on https://www.fundnation.org/nelsonmandela. You can also participate in either a 5km walk, a 10km run, or a 21km run on the 19th of July 2025 at the DP World Wanderers Stadium. You can register for the physical walk/run here: https://www. mandeladay.com/

3. Nelson Mandela Month Webinar

As we mark UJ's 20th anniversary, join us to explore how our institution has championed social justice and discover ways we can all take action. The Community Engagement Unit invites you to a special webinar on 29 July 2025, commemorating Nelson Mandela Day under this year's theme: Combating Poverty & Inequity – Reflecting on UJ's 20-Year Legacy of Societal Impact. To attend the webinar, register on the link: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/fS2Zj7Q2pc

4. Mandela Donations

We are calling all staff, students, and alumni to honour Nelson Mandela Day 2025 by taking concrete action to combat poverty and inequity, through giving to the less fortunate. We encourage you to contribute through donating essential items such as non-perishable food, clothing, blankets, books, stationery, toiletries, electronics, etc. Each campus has an Orange Wheelie Bin at the main entrance for collections between 1-31 July 2025. You can also drop your donations at the community engagement office on your campus or arrange for collections by filling this form: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/ ysTcEDsPxL

5. Adopt a Community Engagement Project

The University currently has over 200 Community Engagement projects that are making a difference in the lives of the most vulnerable members of our society and contributing to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). As a member of the UJ community, you can adopt a community engagement project and create a lasting impact by offering your time and resources during Mandela Month. UJ Faculties and Divisions will also participate in community outreach on the 18th of July 2025. If you would like to adopt a community engagement project or join a faculty/division outreach, please send an email to info-ce@uj.ac.za.

Register your Nelson Mandela Day project.

If you are planning a project for Mandela Day, the University would like to know about it and recognise your efforts. You can register your project here: Welcome to UJ Community Engagement Reporting System. If vou need volunteer support or UJ-branded volunteers' regalia for your project, please contact the community engagement unit by sending an email to: info-ce@uj.ac.za.

For more information, please contact your campus's community engagement office. The contacts are as follows:

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Soweto Campus: Mr Tsepo Malele: tsepom@uj.ac.za 011 559 5819, Ukhamba Building, ADB 206

Auckland Park Bunting Road Campus: Ms Lebogang Ayobiojo lebogangma@uj.ac.za, 011 559 1227, Goudstad Building G18 For general inquiries: Ms Xashimba, Sibongile, sibongilex@uj.ac.za

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"We can change the world and make it a better place. It is in your hands to make a difference". Nelson Mandela









