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PETCO empowering aspiring recyclable PET collectors in Mpumalanga

In partnership with the Paper Recycling Association of South Africa (PRASA) and the Mpumalanga Department of Economic Development and Tourism, PETCO recently organised a collectors' workshop in Nelspruit.

The workshop was aimed at educating existing and new collectors on the business of recyclables collection, and focused on giving collectors the information they need to build sustainable businesses through collecting recyclable materials.

The attendees were mostly aspiring collectors who want to start collecting recyclable PET in their areas and build their own businesses. They particularly appreciated hearing about examples of other collectors who have already managed to build sustainable businesses.

Collectors were also reminded of the important aspects of building a sustainable collections business such as collecting high volumes of materials, maintaining quality, ensuring consistency in their collections and managing their cash flow.

"The workshop was both motivating and inspiring to everyone who attended. We thank PETCO for giving us such valuable information," said Buyi Mgwenya, the development and tourism officer of the Mpumalanga Department of Economic Affairs.

PETCO is committed to continue to offer ongoing support to collectors on their journey towards setting up recyclables collection businesses.

For more information, on how to start a PET collection business see our suite of fact sheets in our digital library at

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