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## Description

**South African Human Rights Day, commemorated annually on 21 March, honours the sacrifices made in the struggle for democracy and the fight against apartheid. It marks the tragic Sharpeville Massacre of 1960, where 69 people were killed during a peaceful protest against pass laws, a cornerstone of the apartheid system.**

This day is a poignant reminder of our nation's turbulent past and the resilience of its people in the quest for equality and justice. Human Rights Day in South Africa represents not only a time for reflection but also a commitment to fostering a culture that respects and protects the fundamental rights of all citizens.

**Here are five simple actions you can take in your everyday life to support and uphold human rights in South Africa.**

### **Educate yourself and others:**

Familiarise yourself with the history of the Sharpeville Massacre and the broader struggle for liberation in South Africa. Share this history to keep the memory and its lessons alive.



## Engage with community projects:

Get involved with community projects aimed at uplifting marginalised communities and advocating for social justice. Offer your time, skills, or financial support to help further their missions.



## Challenge discrimination:

Speak out against prejudice and discrimination in your daily life. Encourage open, respectful discussions on history and its impact on present-day issues.



## Support local businesses:

Contribute to economic empowerment by supporting local businesses and initiatives that champion fair labour practices and sustainable employment.



## Promote inclusion:

Embrace diversity in your community and workplace by being inclusive and respectful of different cultures, languages, and perspectives.



By taking these steps, each of us can contribute to the ongoing journey towards a more just and equitable South Africa, embodying the true spirit of Human Rights Day.

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1. Our People

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