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Founder, Leseli Development Resources  
Centre

Kekeletso Motopi Matli is the founder of the Lesotho-based Leseli Development Resources Centre, a member of a rural women's group trying to raise household food security and funds through agriculture. In addition to producing piglets, eggs and chicks, the centre trains women to be resilient and support their families through small farms which could be worked on by one or two people.

Over the years, women have often served as family heads in Lesotho as the men have left to seek employment in the mines of South Africa. The country is heavily dependent on migrant labor, causing food production to be low due to poor funding and lack of skills. For this reason, the Leseli Development Resources Centre emphasises strengthening the resilience of local women who too often lack the extra hands they need to ensure their households can grow enough to keep them fed.

Kekeletso is a passionate development worker with experience in community development, mobilization, and management as well as a communication specialist with more than 20 years' experience in journalism. She has been an active participant in human rights advocacy, particularly in human tracking, gender-based violence and sexual and reproductive health rights.



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