

UNDERSTANDING UNEMPLOYMENT

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ABSTRACT

*The primary focus in this paper is on understanding the impact of unemployment in Sandton, Johannesburg. In order to address this, as a starting point, it is noted that unemployment and the crisis of joblessness remains a problem in both low-density as well as high-density population areas. I have emphasised the development initiative to promote employment opportunities for the unemployed to enhance entrepreneurship amongst those with appropriate livelihoods. This could be understood, based on the understanding of the causes of unemployment and could provide relevant intervention strategies within the context of the people intended to be reached. The focus of the article is to suggest ways to provide training, share information, skills development and implement practical contributions to alleviate poverty in the community. It investigates the impact of unemployment in human lives with a view to understand how to balance life and employment. The article found a positive contribution on how to improve human life through job creation. **Purpose:** The purpose for the article is to explore the impact of unemployment in human lives and to establish strategies to assist unemployed people to create jobs by practicing the skills development to enhance a balanced lifestyle. **Findings:** An investigation focused on the recognition that the high rate of unemployment in Sandton, Johannesburg, especially among those who are lacking skills and skills mismatch in a labour market, can be best resolved by the promotion of training and the creation of opportunities to start new businesses within the community. The causes of unemployment and its effect on human lives are also discussed.*

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