



## Mandela house to be turned into a 'living museum'

FORMER president Nelson Mandela's Cape Town home in Bishopscourt has been bought in a R20 million project to turn it into a "living museum".

The house was handed over to the Mandela Rhodes Foundation yesterday.

The provincial government has contributed R10m to the project that will see the Forest Drive home restored and maintained, while the foundation also received contributions from the Friends of the Mandela Rhodes Foundation based in the US.

Mandela, who was at the ceremony that formed part of the celebrations of his 90th birthday, as well as the foundation's fifth anniversary, was imprisoned in several prisons in the province.

At the event held at the house, the Mandela Rhodes Scholars from 2005 to 2008 were also reunited and were presented to Mandela as a "(birthday) present" of future African leaders. - Staff Writer

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**LEGENDARY:** Former president Nelson Mandela is assisted at a special Mandela Rhodes Foundation ceremony yesterday, where his Cape Town home in Bishopscourt was officially handed over to the foundation.

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