



Microfinance Programmes and Women's Financial Stability in Cape Town: A Theoretical Framework Analysis

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Abstract

Microfinance programmes have emerged as a critical intervention for enhancing financial stability among vulnerable populations in Cape Town and beyond. The analysis will draw upon qualitative insights from existing literature and case studies of microfinance initiatives targeting women's financial stability. A robust theoretical framework is proposed to guide future research and policy development in microfinance for women's economic empowerment. Further longitudinal studies are recommended to validate the impact of microfinance programmes on broader socio-economic outcomes.

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