



Indawo Yosizo

"Centre of Help"

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Dear Partners in the Gospel

All about us

What we do !

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Our mandate at Indawo Yosizo is to Endeavour to provide the community based social work services to all the people in and around Lesedi Municipal Area.

A wide spectrum of projects are being managed by Indawo Yosizo. These projects include

1. Community Projects - to support and uplift the community.
2. Empowerment projects - to train skills to be able to earn own income & to support themselves.
3. Self sustainable projects - Job creation & to create an income for Indawo Yosizo.

The dependence on financial support and frequent donations will probably be from our local, as well as global supporters. Our supporters at present are as follows.

1. Individuals
2. Small & medium enterprises
3. Large companies
4. Corporate enterprises
5. Some funding agencies including Government

AIM

Our aim is to show improvement in our community in the following areas,

- Socio –economic improvement
- Empowerment & Employment
- Transfer of skills
- Health & Education
- Environmental improvement



Community projects Orphans & Vulnerable children - OVC

This programme is very dear to our hearts, many of us are totally unaware of the poverty and hunger that many of the children around us are going through on a daily basis. Our OVC programme started in Oct 2009 with 50 children, since Nov of the same year our programme intensified and 250 children were identified. At present 150 of these children are of primary school going age, with all the siblings this number is +/- 600. The aim of this programme is make sure these children are fed, kept of the streets, that they have a safe place to stay, they are educated, away from addiction & that they all have a fighting chance in life.

Our target for the end of 2010 +/- 560 **OVC**, and the end of 2012 2000 **OVC**. Our focus is on all the OVC in the community of Heidelberg, no matter what age, race, gender or religion.

The basic need for these children is food, with food in their tummies they will have a longer concentration span and they will be happier children. The goal of the programme is also to feed these children 3 meals per day at R7,00 each or \$1.

These children are also given clothing if the need arises. Basic needs are also met such as health services, personal hygiene. We want to recruit mentors and coaches who will be trained in various fields. They will assist the children with homework, recreation & also entertainment for after school.

The cost per child per month is a minimum of R150,00, once we have recruited the mentors and coaches this amount will go up to R 250,00 per child.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

OVC - Orphans & Vulnerable Children
AWC - Abused Women & Children
DA - Drug & Substance Abuse
Feeding & Vegetable Gardens

SELF SUSTAINABLE PROJECTS

Ponchos
Planned projects
Candles
Fire wood
Spiritual sms's
Beading

EMPOWERMENT

Knitting
Sewing
Vegetable Gardens

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Above are the housing and living conditions of most of the children in the OVC programme.
CAN YOU JUST IMAGINE.....

.....as instructed by Jesus Christ we must obey; James 1:27 Religion that God our Father accepts as pure & faultless is this: to look after the orphans, & widows in their addresses and to keep oneself from being polluted

Crisis Centre for Abused Women & Children

At present there is NO permanent crisis centre for abused women and/or their children or children who are molested. Physical abuse of women & children is in >90% of the cases the consequence of alcohol - and/or drug abuse. On a number of occasions "Indawo Yosizo" has been contacted late at night (or early morning) by the SAPS asking if we have place for an abused woman/family. It is our intention to make part of the centre for the addicted (or separate building if we have the funds) a place of safety for overnight accommodation for the abused Women in future. It will include a rape crisis centre in collaboration with the Victims Empowerment Centre at the Heidelberg Police Station

We are fortunate to have the use of a safe and secure hostel at a school in Heidelberg to be used as a Crisis Centre. We need urgent funds to renovate the building and create a tranquil environment for abused and traumatized women and/or their children. No unauthorized person will be allowed to come close to the hostel or enter the building



Centre to help the addicted

If you have an addiction problem (**ANY ADDICTION**), contact this number 082 656 3123 (South Africa only). Leave a message and we will contact you if there is no answer.

Our drug help centre, The Potter's Wheel, has had a tremendously high success rate but we have sadly also failed many people in need of help. The Potter's Wheel works closely with the South African Police Service (SAPS), and Court Prosecutors to try and help these struggling folk. Our drug help program is based on an "out patient" basis as we have not got a centre where we can supply overnight accommodation and permanent help.

No funds have as yet been raised towards acquiring a piece of land and the building costs of the centre (kibbutz). Looking at the above our success rate could have been above 70% if we had the centre available. Secondly, there are a couple of people who have said that they will not cope if they are not in a Rehab and have chosen not to come back to us.

The need for another centre for the addicted in South Africa is near critical. The need for such a centre in the Greater Heidelberg **IS CRITICAL!**

Empowerment Projects

Knitting : An average of 10-12 women come to Indawo Yosizo on a weekly basis to learn a new skill, during this time they are handed a food parcel to take home.

Sewing : One lady is currently earning an income by making clerical shirts, stoles & togas.

Vegetable Gardens : We only recently started with the Food Gardens. Two men are currently being trained how to prepare the vegetable beds (lazy mans gardens)

Self Sustainable Projects

Poncho type raincoats

Our plight is to help the poor, marginalized, HIV/AIDS , Infected/affected & abused.

These Ponchos have various features making them very user friendly. The plastic used is 70 micron plastic and is very durable, it is translucent making safety gear visible, it is light weight and easy to carry. The ponchos are large enough to enable you free movement.

These ponchos have many uses and applications, some of them being school children, outdoor workers, newspaper sellers, farm & plantation workers, security services, just to mention a few. These ponchos can be ordered directly from Indawo Yosizo. The prices are according to size, Small, medium, large & extra large, the prices are as follows, S & M R30 , L & XL R35

At Indawo Yosizo there are few self sustainable projects in the pipe lines, all of which are in the process of starting up. There is one project that is already manufacturing and supplying the community with the products, it is the Ponchos. The other projects are as follows, firewood, candle making, bead work, as well as spiritual sms's, these will start as the funds become available.



Feeding scheme & vegetables Gardens

Various churches and NGOs (Non Government Organizations) came together in March 2010 to discuss the possibility to work together regarding most of the out reach programs ran by each NGO. All the NGOs knew about each other, but due to the lack of proper communication and control the system and NGOs were exploited by individuals in the community. The perception was that there were too much overlapping in what was being done by the different NGOs. Each NGO gave a short presentation on its work and during the second meeting it was evident that the same work was duplicated. Although there was duplication each NGO had its own project in which it was better and more advanced than the other NGOs. **WATCH THIS SPACE**

Food parcels

Indawo Yosizo provides food on an ad-hoc basis to people that come to our centre to look for food. Food parcels will be given to them for only a short period (3 months) after which they must get some sort of work, or join the skills development program. If you feel that you would rather contribute goods (gifts in kind) rather than money/cash, you are more than welcome to. We are grateful for anything that we receive from donors.



Matthew 25:35-40 ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' ³⁷"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' ⁴⁰"The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' [NIV]

Street People

The premises that Indawo Yosizo occupies has proper washing facilities(proper bathroom with basin, shower and toilet) and is therefore ideal to cater specifically for the street people in Heidelberg, as well as the street people that use Heidelberg as a stop in their way between Gauteng and Durban and back. When a tramp arrives at Indawo Yosizo, they can wash, get fresh clothes and warm meal (pre-cooked frozen meals are supplied by God's Acre). Their old clothes will be taken in and could be washed and kept until his next visit, or destroyed. We do not want to give clothes that the street people can take with them because it is a sure fact that most of them sell their clothes to by liquor.

The intention is that when a tramp arrives at ANY place in town (church, business, house NGO, etc.), he/she should be referred to Indawo Yosizo. They can expect to be looked after in a way that Jesus would want us to look after the poor.

NEWS FLASH

Here is how you can get involved! All of the above projects are in desperate need of your financial assistance & prayers. These finances are to be used for the purchase of the materials needed as well as food stuffs. By receiving these finances you enable us to do the work that God has instructed us to do, that being there for those who still need to be fed, given education and plenty of loving care. Your generosity will bring smiles to those who have forgotten how.

Upcoming events

Matric Farewell Dance

It is every matriculants dream to attend his/her matric farewell. Many of them cannot afford to attend this event. Indawo Yosizo wants to make their dream come true by sponsoring some of these underprivileged Ladies & Gents.

Sponsorship includes:

- A full make over
- Suit/Dress
- Hair & Nails
- Make-up
- Shoes
- Accessories
- Transport to venue

Idols Talent Competition

The main aim of this competition is to identify hidden talent, create awareness of Indawo Yosizo & to raise funds. The Lesedi Municipal Council was generous enough to give Indawo Yosizo the Town Hall for this event for free.

Date : 8-9 October 2010

Age Groups : 3-13, 14-18 & 19-99

Categories: sing/dance/instrumental/acting/groups/comedians etc

Entry Fee : R50 per item

Entrance Fee : R50 adults, Pensioners R30, R20 primary school child, children under 5yrs free

OVC - Concert

We are planning a concert starring all the OVC in the programme. The aim of this concert is to raise funds for field trips for these children. There are 250 children divided between the 6 care givers and they will perform in their different age groups. This concert will be take place in the Community Hall in Ratanda.

WATCH THIS SPACE for more details in the next newsletter

