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"Education is the basis for a healthy and positive lifestyle.

The future rests with the new generation, full of hope and dreams.

Let's open the door to a better future by enabling education in every household."



Dear all,

Here is what the Care Trust has been up to over the past few weeks:

KALUNDU PROJECT

We are still in search of funds to assist in building a new classroom for 60 children attending this preschool. Their current building is falling apart and the children sit outside to attend classes.

We would like to thank Mr Steven and Mrs Toya Louw from Walvis Bay for their kind donations. The project will continue with contributions from Gondwana Care Trust, but we will appreciate all contributions in which ever form. With the amount of rain the region is blessed with, the existing building has been damaged extensively.

This is the only available classroom and unfortunately it is too small to welcome all the children who attend class. There is no other preschool for the young ones to learn the basics before going to primary school. English is the main teaching medium and there are two highly committed teachers.









GEDULD PRIMARY SCHOOL



We would also like to thank the Hurter family for donating a much needed freezer to the school's hostel. The school will now also receive meat donations.

WELWITSCHIA SCHOOL

Following on our previous newsletter, concerning the Welwitschia School in Khorixas, we would like to thank Ms Andrea de Klerk for the donation of a wheelchair for Mr Boos, the school's principal.

LIDAR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (KATUTURA)

Project Coordinator Ms Serley Khaxas 081 687 15 37 lidarfoundation@gmail.com / www.lidarfoundation.com (still in process)

This project aims to develop a safe and healthy neighbourhood for vulnerable children, as well as young adults.

They mostly focus on young /teen mothers, and vulnerable children who have dropped out of school. The Foundation places these children back in school and provides them with uniforms and basic stationery to finish their curriculum.







We assisted four children last month with basic toiletries, thanks to the Gondwana Care Trust.



Lidar Community Foundation receives support for the stationery and uniforms from other sponsors.

They also help young mothers with homework assistance, as well as children who are alone after school. They offer an area dedicated as a research/study space. The Foundation is still in search of additional goods such as tables, chairs and most importantly a computer – where the young adults can do their research for assignments. A dedicated teacher comes in after school hours, to assist the children.



A member of the Gondwana Care Trust has visited the Centre and confirms that it is a well run facility and offers a safe place for the children to enjoy a meal and work on their studies.

The Foundation is very proactive and promotes a healthy lifestyle to these children. They are doing a great job and the positive energy is palpable when visiting the Centre.

We will continue to provide updates on the Lidar Community Foundation.

WISDOM YOUTH ORGANISATION (STAMPRIET)







Since December 2017, the Gondwana Collection, and now the Gondwana Care Trust have been assisting Wisdom Youth with meat donations. This has helped them to care for 26 preschool children, by providing them with a proper, daily meal. These donations fall under the MealForTwo project.

Thanks to funds provided by the Care Trust, the Organisation received a new fridge/freezer.

DAWID KHAMUXAB PRIMARY SCHOOL (ETOSHA)

Situated on a resettlement community farm near Etosha. An award ceremony was held on 13 March to congratulate the students who have achieved high standards during the year. A fantastic number of 43 kids were awarded. To encourage the children to continue their efforts, the Gondwana Care Trust with the support of the "Friends of Namibian Children" organisation prepared gifts for each child, focused on the specific subject so each pack was personalized.

A young girl also received a Sister Pad (re-usable hygienic pad).





















CANCER ASSOCIATION OUTREACH & SISTERPADS PROJECT (RUNDU)

This follows on the outreach program that ran in the above mentioned region last year. Thanks to the Cancer Association's team and the Gondwana Collection's support, this project was a resounding success.

The need for better understanding of the disease but also the need for better support towards young women is tremendous. Gondwana Collection received a prize for the Winner of Best Social Media in the Sustainability Awards. With the prize money, 45 Sister Pad kits were purchased, which is a sustainable re-usable hygienic pad for women. The girls were selected by the school principal and were given information on how to care for the product so it is sustainable and safe for use and for the environment.

Thank you to Sister Christy, for assisting in contacting the schools and making the donation possible. Schools visited include: Maria Mwengere Secondary school and Kayengona Secondary School. Forty pads were donated to young women.











LIGHT OF HOPE ASSOCIATION (OKAHANDJA)

Project Co-ordinator is Mr W Theron - 0811279978 The Light of Hope Association was created in 2017 to assist homeless children, in conjunction with "Heal the Land" Association (AGS Church). Twice a month, they help the children by supplying clothing, a meal and also with a bath, and cleaning and caring for their injuries.

The children get some care and attention and the project grows every month.

Should you need any further information on any of the above mentioned projects, please feel free to contact Gondwana Care Trust trustee, Dgini Visser (dginiv@iway.na) or any of the project coordinators. If you would like to make a contribution to the Gondwana Care Trust, please see banking details:



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Please list your name, and the project you would like to support as reference. (e.g.: MR SMITH / "project name")

You POP can be emailed to dginiv@iway.na this enables the Trust to keep you informed of the project development.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter.

We would like to extend our thanks to all parties who have assisted in making the projects successful and enabling growth.

I you wish to be removed from the mailing list, please send an email to dginiv@iway.na

Have a blessed month!







Something to look forward to in the upcoming months

Thanks to the "Round Table" we are expecting to receive some blankets for some of our projects. It has been very cold this winter so far, and as soon as we get the blankets, we will distribute them to the neediest communities.



If you would like to contribute to this project, please contact the Gondwana Collection for more information. Communities are always in need of toothpaste / soap / deodorants / any warm clothes, etc.