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Newsletter

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**“Self-nurturing
and self-sufficiency is a luxury
not given to all and necessary to access
a better level of a healthy and
positive lifestyle.”**



Dear all,

The past month has offered many opportunities to support our beneficiaries. Here are a few things that took place.

DAGBREEK SCHOOL IN WINDHOEK

Once a year, the school sends a group of learners to partake in outdoor activities. This aids in developing the learners' social skills. This year, the group visited the Canyon Roadhouse and participated in the Orange River Challenge. These children have bounds of positive energy and we learn so much from spending time with them. They truly motivate us to care for our community. We look forward to their next trip.



The learners enjoying their meals at Canyon Roadhouse.

Thank you to the whole team for caring and preparing such a wonderful treat.

Pictures credit: Mr Paul Du Plessis – Dagbreek School



DAWID KHAMUXAB PRIMARY SCHOOL (ETOSHA)

Thanks to Gondwana Etosha Safari Collection, learners were able to visit the Namutoni Environmental Education Centre. Last year, the Etosha Safari Lodge was awarded second place in the Namibia Media Holdings's Annual Responsible Tourism Award. They decided to use the N\$10 000 prize money, to send the Grade 7 group to the Education Centre. This three-day adventure was an experience for the children who had never visited the centre, and for some the park.



Grade 7 learners from Dawid Khamuxab Primary School learning about conservation and many other skills taught at the Centre without forgetting the 3 R's - Reduce / Reuse / Recycle

e) Write down three things you have learned or will do differently to protect the Environment?

To stop people from hunting wild life. Control the rubbish all times. Clean up the environment so that it must be neat and tidy. If people do to burn rubbish in the bush it there is danger.

Thank you for completing the survey!

e) Write down three things you have learned or will do differently to protect the Environment?

I learnt how to demonstrate something by listening to the sound. I also learned how to keep the environment clean by controlling it. I learnt which type of stores to buy from steps to reduce littering.

Thank you for completing the survey!

Some of the feedback from the learners.

MARANATA PROJECT - STAMPRIET

Project Coordinator Mr Leon Louw – 081 557 32 64

The Maranata Project is based in Stampriet and looks after some of the elderly and vulnerable children of the community. Leon Louw cooks a warm meal and grows crops to provide a small income.

The Stampriet Self Sufficiency Centre, in support of Gondwana Collection's MealForTwo project, has been assisting Maranata with donation of meat and purchasing some of the harvest.

After a few challenges, Maranata has had a wonderful harvest of carrots which Gondwana

purchased and delivered to some of the soup kitchen the Trust supports. Including, Rainbow, MEGS, Senior Park, Mammadu, Light of Hope, Okahandja Soup Kitchen, Wisdom Youth & Klein Karas.

Their main aim is to create a safe and healthy neighbourhood for vulnerable children and the elderly.

Their next harvest will include beetroot, onion and cabbage.



If you would be interested in getting involved, the Maranata Project is in need of wire to fence off the garden and protect it from the anteaters, porcupines and other small animals.

Any tools for gardening would also be appreciated.



Soup kitchen for vulnerable children – meat donated by Gondwana Care Trust and carrots were also donated recently to add the much-needed vegetables into the pot.

LIGHT OF HOPE ASSOCIATION (OKAHANDJA)

Project Co-ordinator is Mr W Theron - 0811279978

In association with "Heal the Land" association (AGS Church), Light of Hope was created in 2017 to assist the children living on the street. Twice a month, they help the children with clothing / a meal and also with a bath and looking after their injuries.

The children get some care and attention and the project is growing every month. They are in need of clean clothing but also any dry food / vegetables.



THANK YOU

to Mr & Mrs Eric Jayet from Wild Air Safaris for their generous donation of clothing. These have already been distributed among the children and adults from Okahandja to Rehoboth. Thank you for your kindness. More clothing will be sent to other associations.



Clothing donation to the most vulnerable



PLEASE NOTE:

Light of Hope is now also part of the Meal-ForTwo campaign, and meat is being delivered to the association on a monthly basis.

IWAN ASSOCIATION - Windhoek

IWAN organised their annual second-hand clothing sale, in aid of the Katutura Old Age home, on 07 April 2018. We were able to provide IWAN with clothing and linen from the Delight Swakopmund hotel to assist in this charity sales.



pictures of
the donation
towards IWAN
in Windhoek



THE JJ'S CENTRE - Walvis Bay

Principal: Mrs Kim Koch 081 479 07 25 jjscarecentre@gmail.com

The JJ's Centre - renamed JJ Private school - is a school for children from all backgrounds with learning disabilities, Autism, Cerebral Palsy, hearing impairments, baby shaken syndrome, etc. JJ's provides a meal to the learners, as many of them are from disadvantaged homes and often come to school with an empty stomach.

Potentia generously sponsored some of the renovations of the JJ's Private School yard and garden, two years ago.

The garden has suffered a bit over the past two years, mainly due to the sewerage pipe, which created a lot damage to the ground, but the mica-deposit and lack of new ground also contributed to the dilemma. The garden did, however, provide the school with a few harvest of vegetables.

The senior class and the Impaired Hearing class have been working on a project to revive the vegetable garden and worked on recyclable greenhouses made of plastic bottles.

With the generous assistance of POTENTIA Windhoek, we have been able to give the seniors a helping hand.

A big thank you to Mrs Cailean Schickeling from EDEN NURSERY in Walvis Bay who built affordable portable gardens, so the children can plant their vegetables and hopefully they will be able to enjoy their first harvest very soon.

The goal for the project is to allow the children to be self-empowered, by teaching them a valuable skill, such as gardening.



Kids working on recycling plastic bottle to use for seedling etc...



MORE INFO ON THE PORTABLE GARDENS

The resourceful and talented Cailean Schickerling setting up the portable gardens.

The Portable garden is made of reinforced pallet wood and is elevated off the ground so that the wood does not draw too much moisture and collapse.

The base of the garden is also made in such a way that excess water can drip out easily.

Being off the ground makes it easier for the learners to work on their gardens, as some children have balance problems. The ground can easily be changed, and new plants can be replanted once the harvest is reached.

This idea could be used in other schools where a dedicated teacher, can offer learners a valuable skill.

A few senior learners will be leaving at the end of the year and, Mrs Cecilia Van Zyl, aims to make sure they have enough basic skills to go back home so they can empower themselves and use the various skills in their adult life (wood work / sewing / gardening).

The Gondwana Care Trust also donated 2 boxes of printing paper to the school to print the exam papers.



LIDAR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (Katutura)

Project Coordinator Ms Serley Khaxas 081 687 15 37
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Their main aim is to develop a safe and healthy neighbourhood for vulnerable children and young adults.

The main focus is on young/teenage mothers, and vulnerable children who have dropped out of school.

They place these children back in school and provide them with uniforms and basic stationery to finish their curriculum.

During the school break - the centre organised a few workshops for the youth and Gondwana Care Trust donated some goodie-bags to the teenagers, so they can end the workshop with a smile and return to school better prepared.



Thanks to Ms Sonia Noirfalise-Crosini, the Lidar Community now has an oven for meal preparations.



Clothing and hygienic/ baby products



Much needed groceries and blankets



Donation was done just before Easter and the kids just got spoiled with some chocolates too

A BIG THANK YOU

to our sponsors who continuously support our projects.
We cannot express how much hope your assistance brings
to some individuals. It only takes a helping hand
to show the way out ...

Thank you for caring.

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

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Have a blessed month!



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