

Kukhanya Newsletter

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Helderberg
Development Centre

The alleviation of poverty
through training and job
placement

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Book Sale , Somerset Mall 27 July to 30 July 2017

A first for Helderberg Development Centre!

This dynamic team of volunteers does not allow a single opportunity slip by.

With great enthusiasm and zeal used books were collected, sorted, priced and carted to the Mall, displayed and sold. Potential clients just could not leave the friendly sales people with empty hands.

The sale exceeded our expectations! We are so grateful for the funds generated thereby. It was also an opportunity to make books available at reasonable prices to those who would not ordinarily be able to afford it. In this way we were able to contribute to the cultivation of the love of reading.

At the centre our students are encouraged to live green and to make recycling part of their lifestyle. The recycling of used literature thus fits in with our responsibility to live sustainably and so to preserve our planet.

In addition - it was an ideal opportunity to market our Centre!

We thank each and every-one who supported us and each one who donated books. For those of you who still have books no longer in use, please bring it to the centre - or call us - and we will collect.

Life is like a book. Each day is a new page. May your book be a bestseller with adventures to tell, lessons to learn and tales of good deeds to remember.....by unknown



Bongo and Hazel's dreams come true

Here at the Centre, students can receive teaching in basic sewing skills too. Last term's students grasped this opportunity eagerly and with dedication made the most of it.

They were very proud of the articles they made and gave their creativity wings. The challenge was huge. They had to make their articles out of material that was available. (We made use of pieces of material that was kindly donated). We are thankful to be able to say that two students were rewarded by an employment opportunity in the sewing industry. At this Home Industry they now have the opportunity to develop their sewing skills, and even to learn to work on industrial sewing machines.



On the photo to Bongkulu (left) and Hazel (right) are proudly beside the articles they made - the peg bag, the shopping bag, the scatter cushion, the tracksuit pants for a toddler and a quilt (for a babies cot).

A visit to RSG



Pieter van Niekerk (director), Selina Malanka (student) and Elby Meyer (placement officer & founding member) visited the RSG studio on 31 July. Martelize Brink interviewed Selina, and she shared her dream for her life. Selina was the top performing student during the first semester of 2017.

She has a beautiful voice and hopes to have an opportunity in the not too distant future to receive tuition in singing. What a privilege to share more about the Centre on this platform.

We (volunteers at the centre) dreamed of using the centre as a base for a "House of Gifts" in an effort to generate funds. In this way we combined our passion for beautiful things with our calling to make a difference in people's lives. Our dream was realised at the end of 2016 when the first "House of Gifts" market was held in November 2016. Over the short period of one and a half days, more than 700 people visited us and enjoyed perusing and buying the wide variety of gifts we had. Our success was evident by the funds generated.

The committee was inspired to stage House of Gifts again in 2017, 30 November until 2 December 2017, a 3 day event that no-one should miss!



At the Centre we use every opportunity to fill the pages of the BOOK of HOPE.

Kind Regards

The Helderberg Development Team