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Almost R 400 000 = 20 000 Euro for corona food support up to now.

Unbelievable!!!! With this donation we were able to help many households with food parcels and lots of children who came to our soup kitchen. A big, big THANK YOU to all of you who contributed to this amazing donation. At times I was almost every day in the township to give out food. Via social media I was every day in contact with people in desperate need of food. Again and again I created food groups on what's app, we created a Hout Bay data base, many NGO's worked together and we made new friendships, created new teams and new ideas.

Collaboration with Hout Bay United Football Community

In this Corona pandemic we connected with YEBO fresh for food parcels. We bought food parcels for more than 320 000 Rand from them and the players of the first team of the Hout Bay United Football Community, www.HBUFC.co.za, another Hout Bay based NGO, and Home Heroes, a local business, delivered the food from YEBO fresh to our Hout Bay pick up places. From there we gave the parcels out to the people in need, got connected to them and shared their concerns and desperation with them. This was a brilliant way to support and help in this difficult time.

HBUFC and Home Heroes donated even more parcels, then ordered and helped us to stock up Sindi's food kitchen, now in Progress of becoming another NGO: "Sindi's Happy Kitchen".

You see, through this crisis a lot of valuable contacts, relationships and friendships developed. YEBO fresh and HBUFC/Home Heroes even designed a special food package for Mandela Day: 2x R67 Food donation to UBUNTU for Africa; For every R67 donated Yebo fresh will match the amount and deliver double the worth of food parcel or bulk of groceries to an UBUNTU Project. We selected "Sindi's Happy Kitchen" as our project to benefit from this donation.

We felt the team around Iris Henkel and Jeremy of HBUFC would fit brilliantly to our NGO structure. They are running a very successful and well-organized Youth program and integrate, like we do, with other local NGOs and this way we together can make a difference in our valley.

HBUFC took over our Princess beach Volunteer apartment. Young soccer players are living there now, together with their soccer and life coach, Byron McKellar. He together with the NGO will organise and support the volunteer program which will be taken over by them and they will help organize and support our social projects.

This collaboration makes sense, since Sylke, as the local manager of our NGO, will step back more and more during the next few month/years.

With a strong partner like HBUFC we stay strong in what we do best: help in crises and support local social and educational projects. We provide for them to get Tax rewarded funding in from German

sponsors. They will help to oversee and manage the projects and run the volunteer program: a WIN/WIN situation for both of us.

More information about our future partner:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5W52c3NxScg>

https://www.linkedin.com/posts/irishenkel_corona-saesdafrika-activity-6668593394484314112-W4GP/?fbclid=IwAR03hl8TkWtUMHnYJ81kml4VG_aNMYtPWKcxz4fn2xy2J7L6QrW5aFtN6Qw

https://www.facebook.com/pg/houtbayunitedfootballcommunity/videos/?ref=page_internal

<http://www.hbufc.co.za/>

Extension of UBUNTU for Africa Family Program

We are currently supporting 5 boys and 2 girls of Hout Bay based families financially. People love to support a particular child and have a face and a story with the child they support. We are very careful and conscious with this way of sponsorship since we want and need to avoid disappointment at both sides: the very sweet 5-year-old might not be the very talented and academic student who will fly towards a successful career, as the sponsor expected. Or another example: the very committed and generous sponsor might stop donating funds after a few months or a few years, school fees can't be paid anymore and (again) a loving person will disappear from this child's world.....He/she might have to leave school.....

In all my years of working in and with the community I have seen this a lot. This is why we rather choose for a "Family program" setting and not for a "sponsor a child" program. People can donate an amount they choose by themselves and they will support a certain child and all the other children at the same time. We will inform you about our work and about how it goes with the specific child you committed yourself to. In a recent case we support a child and her mother to eventually be self-sufficient. We fixed her roof, helped to start her own business instead of working for a boss, which is difficult in pandemic-times. We hope in the end, that the family won't need us anymore and we will support another child.

In another case we also support a mother with 3 children. She moved out of the township, rents out her house, cares for another child in our program. All 4 children live in a healthier environment now and with more structure and support they fly as little eagles. In an estimated 5-7 years she will be independent and wants to start to study herself. Up to then she enabled her 2 younger sisters to study at university, managed for all 3 of her children to attend good schools and doesn't live in a township anymore. How is that?

We don't guarantee that our Family program's children will become advocates or doctors, but we guarantee that they and their family will get the best available support for a good education and a happy fulfilled independent life.

Part of the project money will go to the After Care and Remedial Program of the Silikamva Primary School and the rest will go to the children of the family Program. If possible and necessary children will be placed at good and individually supporting Model C schools that cost money. Because this program is a family program, we always serve the whole family for their individual needs: we pay therapy for the child and therapy for the parent, help financially with (better) housing, repair roofs, coach and counsel the whole family, pay for medication and medical support.....

There are so many children in our community who want and deserve a better life and there are so many families in Germany who are happy to make this happen. That's why we would like to extend our program with more families. Focus for us is to empower and enable the mother(s) to take their

lives into their own hands, make wise decisions and we will move on to help other families and children.

The selection process will be done by our team. Schools and Preschool teachers and principals will be part of this process. We will select children according to the following aspects:

- Child or children with a single Mum or Dad.
- Mum/Dad has potential to become self-sufficient and independent.
- Educational, psychological, and social challenges of the children are not a contraindication.
- No addiction or abuse of substances and/or alcohol accepted.

An annual renewed contract will set out the steps toward the goal of independence.

This project was screened and accepted by leaders of the Hout Bay Imizamo Yethu community and we will work together with other NGO's in Hout Bay regarding work and education for our mothers.

Susanne Usko took over patronage and is the ambassador of this project since she and her family started this project with us. She is also our person to organise fundraising for this project in Germany.

Volunteer program

We have some changes for the volunteer program since UBUNTU FOR AFRICA and HBUFC collaborated and we have the advantage of having young people being able to support and guide our volunteers. For now, Sylke will help recruiting volunteers from overseas, managing the contracts etc. The actual work will be done by Byron McKellar who also coaches and supports the soccer youth who will live together with our volunteers in Princess Beach Estate. Some of the parents of our Family Program already live there and also some of our teachers: a nice, cheerful, and lively UBUNTU community. Youth, kids, volunteers: living all together in different apartments in one complex. Byron as volunteer support is also living in the same complex. How is that?

Our projects will remain the same: aftercare, remedial and music and recording, school- and family social work but will be extended with the activities HBUFC is offering to the community.

Short NEWS

- Last week our **After Care at Hout Bay Primary** started again: 31 kids having fun, doing homework, dancing, singing, having snacks and **being safe**
- We got a donation for creating a **homework room** at the Primary school.
- Our **after-care team** has been extended due to missing out on German volunteers: Andiswa, Asive, Future (UBUNTU), Siyabonga and Mzandile (HBUFC) are the teachers in charge.
- We have heard that the **borders will open sooner than we thought**, so hopefully we will be able to welcome **volunteers from overseas** to our projects this year already and it will also give our parents some **financial relief** due to opening the tourism sector.
- We still wait for our **music and recording project at Silikamva Highschool** to start again.
- And.....yes.....**donations of every kind** are very welcome. We would love you to set up **standing orders** if you are able to, even if its 10 Euro a month. That is money we can work with on a monthly basis.

