

## *Year-end Celebration Newsletter*

Dear friends of HOPE Cape Town,

At the end of the year, I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support and dedication towards HOPE Cape Town. Even in the last month of 2021 we had events we would like to share with you:

The official opening of the Bavarian House shows the strong link between Bavaria and the Western Cape and our commitment, to bring life to this partnership. We also celebrated 20 years of HOPE Cape Town. Indeed, it is unbelievable how time passed by – 20 years of dedication and support and lots to be grateful for during this time.

Our first Entrepreneurial Skills Development students graduated. It is a pity that you could not see the sparkle in their eyes and how proud they have been to receive their certificates.

Our After School Kids Year End party took place at The Nex -Indawo Yethu as well as a lunch for sixty -over-sixties members of the Delft community.

I guess you sense that the place, we are busy creating in Delft already now is full of energy. A safe space which allows kids and youngsters to learn and feel good about themselves. This creates the right environment where the woes of township societies like sex in young age, becoming a gangster, skipping school and the consequences like HIV, TB, drug use and mothers aged 14 slowly ceases to exist and is exchanged for a healthy, peaceful and hopeful perspective. And in cooperation with all our programs at Tygerberg, Blikkiesdorp and the various township clinics the supportive net is growing bigger by the day.

You contribute to this with your support; you give hope in troubled times and areas.

Gratefully I wish you all blessings for 2022 – may we be able to travel again. I am looking forward to welcoming you when in South Africa.

Best wishes

Fr Stefan



# PREMIER ALAN WINDE OPENS BAVARIAN HOUSE



Premier Alan Winde (left) and Matthias Boddenberg, CEO of the Southern African German Chamber of Commerce, and official Representative of the Bavarian Ministry of Economic Affairs, Economic Development and Energy in South Africa



Standing (from left) Premier Alan Winde, Rev Fr Stefan Hippler, German Consul General Tanja Werheit, Minister Ivan Meyer, Minister Tertius Simmers

The Premier of the Western Cape Alan Winde officially opened the Bavarian House at The NEX-Indawo Yethu in Delft.

Purposely built for Dual Vocational Training and Education that will be facilitated by the Southern African – German Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Bavarian House is located at The NEX campus- a multipurpose community centre and home to NGO HOPE Cape Town.

“I welcome the official opening of the Bavarian House, which is the brainchild of both the Western Cape Government and the Free State of Bavaria, and will serve as a centre of learning, entrepreneurial skills development and vocational training for our young people,” said Premier Winde.

“This is a testament to the strong relationship that we have with the Bavarian State. The recent quarterly labour force survey shows us that our unemployment figures are at all time high, and we especially see this among our young people who are becoming increasingly discouraged from pursuing work or training opportunities. Bavarian House aims to challenge this and will focus especially on young people from our most disadvantaged communities.”

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Matthias Boddenberg, CEO of the Southern African German Chamber of Commerce, and official Representative of the Bavarian Ministry of Economic Affairs, Economic Development and Energy in South Africa jointly officiated with the Premier at the opening.

“Bavarian House with its classrooms, resource centre and library will house prospective learners enrolled for the SAGCCI’s dual vocational training programme in Logistics and Freight Forwarding,” Boddenberg said.

“We are looking forward to the expansion of our training initiatives in the Western Cape.”

This quality model of education will make it easier for young people to access the labour market. It also enables workers to improve their productivity, to learn faster on the job and to raise their incomes and living standards. Poor quality education locks people out of the labour market or traps them in low paying, low productivity work. This is the modern day context in which one of the most exciting educational projects in South Africa is unfolding. The Dual Vocational Training and Education programme is a far reaching and ambitious plan to restore and re-empower youth to achieve a high level of learning and experience.







**Celebrating Twenty years of HOPE Cape Town** at an intimate gathering at The Westin Hotel – an hour of reflection that brought so many memories to the forefront.

Our organisation’s success would not have been possible without the help and assistance of so many crossing the path of HOPE Cape Town in the last 20 years. It would not been possible without the current sponsors, supporters, friends and allies.

To all of you, we say **THANK YOU!**



Director General in the Premier's Office Dr Harry Malila, Adv Gwendoline Malila, Rev Fr Stefan Hippler, Mrs Tracey Winde, Premier Alan Winde



German Consul General Tanja Werheit and Joerg Werheit



Carole Armstrong-Hooper and Rev Fr Stefan Hippler receiving a special presentation from Werner Klein of Zuedafrika magazine



HOPE Cape Town’s first Community Health Care Worker Constance Mayaba (right) presents Pauline Jooste with a special certificate honoring her 17 years service to HOPE Cape Town on her retirement



The audience during formal presentations



HOPE Cape Town’s Kaelyn Frans (left) and Brigitte Le Roux (right) with course facilitator Calvin Daniels

*\* Images without masks taken under social distanced conditions*



# YEAR END CELEBRATION FOR BLIKKIESDORP CHILDREN

The Nex -Indawo Yethu (Our Place) was filled with the sounds and laughter of the children of our Blikkiesdorp After School Programme celebrating a successful end to the year's activities as part of the Five Steps to Health Programme.



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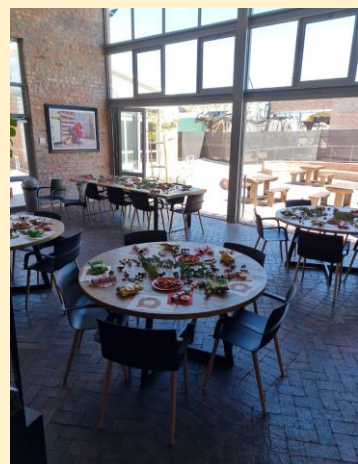


## HOPE CAPE TOWN HOSTED “SIXTY OVER SIXTIES” FROM THE DELFT SENIOR CLUBS

HOPE Cape Town hosted “sixty over sixties” from the Delft Senior Clubs for a day of entertainment and engagement. It is vital that we hear directly from them what the needs and expectations are for the senior members of our community and how HOPE Cape Town can facilitate these.

Ward Councillor Michelle Adonis also blessed each attendee with a smoke detector for their home, thereby adding a layer of security for their homes. Keeno-Lee Hector, a well-known South African actor, singer and voice artist best known for his role as Boeta Noor in the SABC2 drama series The Riviera entertained with popular songs.

*(Masks were briefly removed for some photos)*





# BLIKKIESDORP GIRLS GROUP VISIT TO ART JAMMING

Expressing emotions and building confidence creatively through art. Our Blikkiesdorp Girls Group visited the Art Jamming studio as part of the 5 Steps to Health programme.

