

HOPE Cape Town's Holistic Health Centre opens



La Maison de Christoph, a Holistic Health Centre that will provide a relevant model of holistic, preventative care services to the greater Delft area was officially opened on Thursday 30th September 2021.

Based at the newly opened The Nex-Indawo Yethu community multi-purpose centre, the facility – La Maison de Christoph- will focus on providing services for the elderly, men, women, and children and will especially focus on prevention, lifestyle, and mental health, whilst continuing on the firm foundation of work already done with HIV-infected and -affected families in the form of screening, adolescent clubs, and other support groups. In addition, caregiver-child clinics will promote responsive caregiving and provide caregiver support and care.

The facility will also aim to provide support services for vulnerable groups, like adolescent mothers and children with disabilities. Support groups will aim to create a safe space for growth and wellness - a place for wholeness to flourish.

Dr Izane Reyneke, CEO of HOPE Cape Town said that The NEX represents, in physical form, HOPE Cape Town's vision and mission to incrementally improve the quality of life of children, adolescents, families, youth, and women, especially the vulnerable and those infected and affected by HIV/AIDs, through a range of inter-linked activities in partnership with local citizens, CBOs, NGOs, a range of strategic public and private partnerships, and support of local and global donors.

“It symbolises the vision and mission of HOPE Cape Town and represents a focal point, a nexus (coming together) of lessons and experience gained from the organisation's 20 years of hands-on practice, experience, and innovation, offering an opportunity to consolidate, strengthen, and innovate a range of inter-linked activities and core competencies, as well as explore new areas of intervention.”

Funding for La Maison de Christoph was made possible by the BIPPOP Foundation in Europe and the representative of the Foundation, Advocate Martin Hornig, travelled especially to South Africa for the opening.

Services will open to the general public at the beginning of November but health and wellness courses for community health care workers and Early Childhood Development Workshops have already commenced.



Rev Fr Wim Lindeque bestows a blessing on the building



Clinical Nurse Practitioner Zanele Hali who will manage the centre; HOPE Cape Town CEO, Dr Izane Reyneke; Martin Hoernig, a representative of the BIPPOP Foundation who funded the health centre and Ward Councillor Michelle Adonis



German Consul Sven Hartwig; Dr Giovanni Perez, Chief Director Department of Health Western Cape; Rev. Fr Stefan Hippler



Rev Fr Stefan Hippler, Adv Martin Hoernig, Dr Izane Reyneke, CEO of HOPE Cape Town



The Bench of Hope



One of the doctor's consulting rooms



Dr Giovanni Perez, Chief Director Department of Health Western Cape with Adv Martin Hoernig, representative of the BIPPOP Foundation who funded the health centre



Guests seated in the amphitheatre



(l-r) Rev Fr Stefan Hippler, Western Cape Provincial Minister of Health, MEC Nomafrench Mbombo; HOPE Cape Town CEO Izane Reyneke; spokesperson for for the Minister, Nomawethu Sbukwana and CNP Zanele Hali.