

2021 (Q3)



Dear friends of HOPE Cape Town,

It is with great pleasure that I can today start this newsletter with good news:

HOPE Cape Town moved to “The Nex - Indawo Yethu” Campus in Delft and while we are still struggling with the snag list of the Phase 1 buildings, we started vocational training (Duale Ausbildung Logistik) and entrepreneurial skills development courses. Having partly over 200 participants of different educational programmes on a day present made our campus a place of learning and the Bavarian House and the Resource Centre filled with laughter and excitement.

The Holistic Health Facility “La Maison de Christoph” was formally opened and it is already used for Early Childhood Development training while we prepare for the first patients to be seen in the next few weeks.

Yes, we are settling in as an organisation - we also getting used to the township vibe, the buzzing and the noise of a lively neighbourhood. Our community participation process continues, we are committed to walk our talk with the residents of Delft while continuing all our other programs at Tygerberg Children’s Hospital, in Blikkiesdorp and all the other health care facilities our staff is serving.

This all is only possible thanks to you and your support. You are a blessing to so many.

Best wishes

*Fr Stefan Hippler*

## DATES TO DIARISE

21.05.2022

20<sup>th</sup> Ball of HOPE Cape Town



# OFFICIAL OPENING OF HOLISTIC HEALTH CENTRE - LA MAISON DE CHRISTOPH



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 Hörnig, 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.



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.



*German Consul Sven Hartwig; Dr Giovanni Perez, Chief Director Department of Health Western Cape and Rev Fr Stefan Hippler, Chairman of HOPE Cape Town Trust*



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



# A SNAPSHOT OF CAMPUS LIFE AT THE NEX

One of the biggest driving forces to relocate to our own campus in Delft was the vision to further broaden our services, deliver effective programmes to upskill youth and become the beacon of hope for the broader community.

In our first two months since occupancy, this dream and vision is becoming a reality. The Nex-Indawo Yethu campus is at full swing with many days that every room and classroom is filled with learning, laughter and gaining of knowledge.

Already 16 programmes, workshops or courses have been held at The Nex, ranging from Early Childhood Development programmes for educators, entrepreneurial skills to Community Safety and Security planning workshops.

Some highlights include:

## DUAL VOCATIONAL TRAINING



The realization of the MOU between the SAGCC (Southern African-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry) and HOPE Cape Town and the start of duale Ausbildung in the Western Cape.

The first group of students participating in the Logistics and Freight Forwarding Course in Bavarian House at The Nex in Delft, once again demonstrates the achievements of the bilateral partnership between The State of Bavaria and The Western Cape Provincial Government in creating synergies and opportunities and connecting social services and dual vocational training.

## IBHAYI LENGANE



HOPE Cape Town Community Health Care workers participated in the Ibhayi Lengane (Baby’s blanket) responsive parenting first 1000 days course.



# ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS COURSE



Off on a research exercise in the community to establish needs and identify business opportunities



Attentive listening in class



It's not all desk work – guest lecturer Calvin Daniels leading students through some teambuilding exercises

Another milestone was reached in HOPE Cape Town’s mission to improve the quality of life and to assist youth to reach their full potential with the start of the first Entrepreneurial Skills Development programme at The Nex-Indawo Yethu.

When dropping out of school or even finishing matric, often there is a gap between what a college would require to be a successful student and the situation that a typical township learner can bring to the table with his academic qualification.

Made possible by a global grant from Rotary International, this three-month Entrepreneurial Skills programme aims to bridge this gap by providing missing components of what is needed to either start an own small business or to continue studying at a college.

## DEMOCRACY PRACTICE PROGRAMMES

In an effort to prepare young eligible citizens for the upcoming Municipal Elections in South Africa on 1st November, HOPE Cape Town conducted two Democratic Practice workshops to assist and empower young people to vote. Luzuko Sidimba of VPUU and facilitator Calvin Daniels led some interactive sessions and discussions in the workshop which was made possible through funding from Bayerischer Landtag.



## FUN AND LEARNING AROUND THE NEX





# GROWING, GROWING

Construction of Phase 2 of The Nex-Indawo Yethu is steadily underway. In just under two months, the Early Childhood Development Centre building has progressed from digging of the foundations, to the walls being nearly at roof height.



Marking and digging of foundations



Pouring of concrete foundations



Building of inner walls starts



Filling brick mould by hand



Ensuring moulds are properly filled



Releasing the bricks



Bricks curing in the sun



Dried bricks



Bricks ready for building



Builders at work



Levelling of bricks



Outer walls under construction



At roof height





# SHARING HOPE

We have been proud and honored to welcome various dignitaries, donors, supporters and Friends of HOPE Cape Town to The Nex and our Blikkiesdorp Community Outreach Container Village.



HOPE Cape Town hosted Andreas Peschke, the German Ambassador to South Africa, Lesotho and Eswatini and Ms. Tanja Wehrheit, the Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany, Cape Town at The Nex-Indawo Yethu and our project in Blikkiesdorp.



Ms. Tanja Wehrheit (Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany, Cape Town) and Ms. Beverley Ann Schäfer (Deputy Speaker of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament)



Western Cape Provincial Minister of Health Noma French Mbambo toured the Holistic Health Centre as well as engaging with participants in the first Democratic Practice Workshop ahead of a health department Vooma Vaccination initiative



Rev Fr Stefan Hippler (far left) and Dr Izane Reyneke (2nd from left) welcomed the various local ward councillors to The Nex and updated them on the various programmes underway and the progress of Phase 2. Pictured with Councillor Angus Mackenzie (Chairperson, SubCouncil 5), Councillor Dineo Masiu (Ward 20) and Councillor Michelle Adonis (Ward 13)



Rev Fr Stefan Hippler presented Mr. Dibhesi Sam Tuntubele with a certificate of appreciation in recognition of his service to the HOPE Cape Town Trust in the position of Deputy Chair and Trustee (2006 - 2021).



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