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NEWSLETTER



LOVEBOXES

During the Second term of 2023, we were incredibly busy with various activities. One of the highlights was distributing a total of 367 love boxes to the houses in Bloemfontein and Reddersburg. These boxes were filled with warm clothes to help the children stay cozy during the cold winter, along with comforting treats to bring them joy.

We owe a massive debt of gratitude to Monique Fouche and Elsa Vermeulen, whose invaluable assistance in organizing and delivering the boxes made this possible. Packing and delivering so many boxes within a limited time frame is no small feat, and their dedication made it all happen.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to them and to everyone involved in making this initiative a success. It is heartwarming to see the community come together to support these children, and we are truly grateful for the difference we can make in their lives.



Urgent need for Lovebox packers!

Help make a difference in a child's life. Contact Cherie at 0813440253.

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St. Michaels Pre School-Donation

St Michaels Pre School conducted a heartwarming project in collaboration with Credo. The children actively participated by bringing long-life milk and cereal to the school, which they generously donated to Credo for distribution among the children's homes in Bloemfontein. Witnessing the sight of these little girls offering their contributions in person filled everyone's hearts with joy.

A heartfelt thank you to the school and its wonderful teachers for this generous donation to Credo Home of Hope. Your kindness has made a significant impact on the children's homes in Bloemfontein during the holiday season. Your actions teach the children valuable lessons about giving and sharing, and we are truly grateful for your support and compassion. Thank you for making a difference!



I BELIEVE GIVING BACK IS ONE OF THE GREATEST LIFE LESSONS WE CAN TEACH OUR CHILDREN: THAT THE WORLD ISN'T ALL ABOUT THEM AND THAT, THROUGH OUR ACTIONS, PEOPLE WILL REALLY DISCOVER WHAT KIND OF A PERSON WE TRULY ARE.

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ENGO KINDER EN
JEUGSORG BIED AAN:

Meesterstuk 2

Movie Night

Ete ingesluit R280 per persoon

12 & 13 Mei 2023 LEOPARDS AND LACE
17:30
KONSERT VEILING, ETE DANS
Ten bate van: Amor, Gardenia, Carpe Diem, Esperanza en Gladstone Jeugsorgsentrus

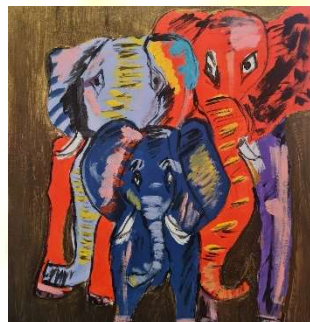
KONTAK MARNIQUE:
073 566 0078

Meesterstuk 2

On May 12th and 13th, Engo organized a fantastic fundraiser, filled with the incredible talents of the children who danced and sang with great skill. In addition, each child's painting was auctioned during the event, contributing to a remarkable total of R137,000. Their efforts have made a significant impact, and we applaud the children's creativity and dedication to this successful fundraising initiative. Well done to everyone involved!



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Daily Bread Project

CreDO's mission is to assist households with needs they cannot afford, and bread plays a significant role in their monthly budget. The Daily Bread project, launched in July 2022, aims to provide 150 loaves of bread weekly to families in need, entirely funded by generous donations.

As the holiday season approached, our funds for the bread project were depleted. However, thanks to the timely contributions from the BNI and some generous individuals, we were able to resume the project for the 3rd term.

While we currently have enough funds to support the initiative until end of August, we would love to continue with this project as long as possible, but we will need further donations.



Your contributions will directly impact the lives of those struggling to afford necessities like bread, and your support will ensure their continued well-being. CreDO sincerely appreciates your kindness and consideration in making a difference in the lives of those in need. Thank you for supporting the Daily Bread project!

We would like to extend a special and heartfelt thank you to the following individuals and organizations for their generous contributions towards the Bread Project:

- Fanie Fouche

- The Insurance Institute of FS

- Dorle Osthoff

We would like to give a special acknowledgment to Dorle Osthoff, who, at 90 years old and residing in an old age home, continues to support the bread project with a fixed monthly donation. Her dedication and compassion make her our oldest and most cherished sponsor.



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Helping each other...

Credo is dedicated to spreading kindness and support to other organizations in need. We are grateful for the products received from Gift of the Givers and the meaty bones contributed by AMC Directors. Combining these resources with fresh veggies and soupmix, we were able to assist **Mona's soup kitchen** in providing nourishing meals to the people in the Heidedal community.



This collaboration exemplifies the power of coming together to make a positive impact on the lives of others. We believe in the strength of community and the importance of helping one another in times of need.

Thank you to Gift of the Givers, AMC Directors, and everyone

involved for making this initiative possible. Your generosity has brought nourishment and comfort to those who needed it most, and we look forward to continuing these efforts in the future.



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Not only could we help the Soup Kitchen, but Credo managed to give some support is the **Talitha Cumi House of Safety**. Credo extended their kindness by providing warm jackets, clothes, formula, and nappies to the organization, which was greatly appreciated. This act of assistance reflects Credo's commitment to making a positive impact on the lives of those in need, and they remain dedicated to supporting Talitha Cumi and other causes in the future.



Fresh Fruit & Veg Project

Credo continues its bi-weekly provision of fresh vegetables and fruit to all households in Bloemfontein. This initiative helps boost immunity and provides essential vitamins to combat flu and colds during the winter season. Together, we aim to promote good health and contribute to the well-being of our community.



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Success story

Liezel Potgieter, a former resident of Esperanza house in Bainsvlei. Started working at a Hairdresser in Bloemfontein in February 2023 while studying to become a qualified Hairdresser. However, as winter arrived, transportation became a challenge due to shorter days and darkness.

Thankfully, a compassionate Credo supporter heard about Liezel's situation and gifted her a beautiful scooter. This generous gesture granted Liezel the freedom to commute easily to work and back. The donor prefers to remain anonymous, but we are immensely grateful for their kindness.

With the scooter's help, Liezel has flourished, both in her personal growth and career prospects. We wish her many safe and blessed kilometres ahead, confident that she will achieve great success as a Hairdresser. Thank you to the anonymous donor for making a significant difference in Liezel's life.



"Be thankful for the difficult times. During those times, you grow. Be thankful for your limitations, because they give you opportunities for improvement. Be thankful for each new challenge, because it will build your strength and character. Be thankful for your mistakes. They will teach you valuable lessons."

-Troy Amdahl-

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Once again thank you all for your continued support!



AND ALL OUR PRIVITE DONATIONS!!!

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WHO IS CREDO HOME OF HOPE?

Credo Home of Hope is a registered Non-Profit Organization with our main goal being the care or counseling of abandoned, abused, neglected, orphaned or homeless children. This includes helping with all the children's needs such as food, clothes, paying for education etc.

Credo was established by African Mining and Crushing to help Children's Homes in and around Bloemfontein. Currently there are just over 300 children living in 24 houses.

Children in these houses each receive a daily subsidy of R20 for food and a monthly subsidy of R60 for toiletries. This is not enough for all a child's needs.

With the help of some wonderful monthly sponsors, Credo delivers fresh fruit and vegetables to each house twice a month. This helps to provide nutritious meals for the children.

Over time we have improved some of the houses where children stay but there is still much work needed. Some of these houses still need upgrading their appliances like stoves, fridges, washing machines etc.

We also started a Love Box Project a few years ago. This project has grown to 355 love boxes and is growing each term. These boxes are packed by volunteers and consist of much-needed clothing items, toiletries, and snacks. We gather and distribute the boxes every term. The children cannot wait to receive them!

A newsletter is sent out for every term to show what we did & also to thank all sponsors and volunteers involved.

With our current sponsors we are making a valuable difference in the lives of these children, but we would love to do even more!

If you want to become a part of this amazing project please contact:

Cherie van Niekerk (Organizer) - cherievnierkerk@africanmc.co.za – 081 344 0253

Leandri Hopkins (Manager) - leandri.hopkins@africanmc.co.za – 082 780 2834

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Account number: 62564268467

Branch: 250655

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