

Nlaphwane Community Development Trust Project Report January 2008

We express our gratitude towards your noble act in assisting us when we needed the help most. The funds obtained from Y-care were used to complete the project on construction of a skills training centre for orphans and vulnerable children. The funds were used to buy electricity wiring material, door frames, paint and door locks, this was to complete a project funded by Canada Fund which started in March 2007.

The building is complete however it is not yet used for its purpose as the community group is still fundraising towards buying equipment that include potter's wheel, kiln and other accessories.

The funding also activated the community and enhanced their involvement, commitment and ownership. The community's sense of self reliance was also reinforced through in kind activities where the community contributed by giving their time and energy mobilising resources and contributing their time and skills in activities such as plastering and painting.

The project made the organisation to be visible to the community and the community dream became a reality, more community members joined the trust. It also attracted other stakeholders including BONEPWA and Tides.

It also helped the organisation to plan further training of its members on lay counselling, treatment literacy education, community mobilisation and care of the sick at home. The organisation has started a process of registering orphans and vulnerable children for day care at the centre.

Community confidence as a result of the project has been increased. The potential they never knew they had has been brought to light. These will motivated them to do even more. The group have been doing home visits to the sick at home to do counselling and treatment literacy as well as registering orphans and vulnerable children.

Constraints

Due to price increase in building material and transportation, it was difficult for the community to raise enough funds. Electrification of the centre is still not done as Botswana Power Corporation 's quotation is P12000.00, fencing material is also another shortfall.

The community is in a rural environment, and experience challenges associated with poverty, and hence difficulties in raising financial contribution.