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SUPPORT FOR LEARNERS WITH AUTISM AT BEUDENE

Since Cindy van Zyl, our Vodacom Change the World volunteer at Beudene, has established a structure where the skills of the Autistic learners can be measured and monitored on a regular basis, there has been tremendous growth in the learners with Autism. A buddy system has been initiated at the start of the programme where the learners with higher functional skills assist in the development of the functional skills of the ones with Autism.



The buddy system has opened new avenues for social skills development. The autistic learners have to generalize and adapt to different personality types as a new buddy is continually allocated to them. Says Cindy: "We are amazed how this system has also assisted with the development of their social skills". This system gives purpose to both parties and the purpose lies in the relationships. The rewards received with the cards that are posted and the buddy who voices their accomplishments, contributes so much to the development of their social skills. This initiative has proved to provide much purpose to those learners with higher functional skills.

RAUBEX CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE TOWNSHIP VEGETABLE TUNNEL PROJECT

The team of Spoudazo and members of the community in the township-areas were hard at work, setting-up vegetable tunnel structures, making beds and planting seedlings during of month of March 2016. Nine of our vegetable tunnels from previous projects needed to be re-established due to beneficiaries who could not adhere to the sustainability criteria of the project.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"It is hard for me to tell you what I need when I don't know the words to describe my feelings. I may be hungry, frustrated, frightened or confused but right now those words are beyond my ability to express. Be alert for body language, withdrawal, agitation, or other signs that something is wrong."



LAST OF THE SUMMER CROPS OF TOWNSHIP VEGETABLE TUNNELS WERE HARVESTED FOR RESTAURANTS

The summer season has come to an end. Even though it was a tough season with the drought, especially for the spinach crops, the harvests of beetroot, tomatoes and peppers were still bountiful! The last crops of peppers and chillies were sold to local restaurants as the beneficiaries started to prepare the soil for the new season.



The new identified beneficiaries showed much eagerness and excitement as they participated in every aspect of the process. For the next six months they will receive continuous training and mentorship with regards to the growing of vegetables and the care taking of the vegetable tunnel.

NOTIFICATION TO SPOUDAZO ENTERPRISES NEWSLETTER READERS

During the Annual General Meeting that was held on the 16th of March 2016, a decision was reached that Spoudazo's Newsletter will in the future be distributed once per term. The reason for this decision is that we live in a day and age where an overload of information takes place. All of us have fallen victim to this phenomenon. We would love our readers to stay involved with what is happening at Spoudazo on a regular basis. Therefore Spoudazo's monthly news will continue to be shared on our website as well as our Social Media platforms, such as Facebook and Twitter.

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8 000 spinach seedlings and 5000 beetroot seedlings were ordered by these beneficiaries for the winter season. The beneficiaries have paid for the seedlings themselves by saving some of their income from selling their vegetables, during the year. Most of these seedlings have been distributed amongst themselves by the end of March 2016. We trust that they will reap much during the coming winter season!

ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT (ED)

Spoudazo Enterprises also have enterprise development opportunities. Aside from helping to set up businesses and alleviate unemployment, there are significant tax benefits and B-BBEE scorecard points that may be earned by companies investing in the enterprise development. New Code Rules with regards to ED are as follows:

- QSE's – 1 % of NPAT = 5 points for Enterprise Development
- Generics - 1 % of NPAT = 5 points for Enterprise Development

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