

# Ons Plek Projects for girls at risk of becoming street children



# 2018 Newsletter

## Ons Plek Projects

We invite you to visit all our Projects, meet the staff members and the children

Director: PAM JACKSON Deputy Director: GINA JAGERS

Our assessment centre intake shelter ONS PLEK and

our OFFICES are situated at:

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Our second-stage shelter **SIVIWE** is situated at: 7 York Street, Woodstock 7925. Tel: 021 448-6529/27.

### Our Community Development Programs:

UKONDLA 1 is situated at City Council Community Hall, Browns Farm, Philippi, Cape Town 7750.

UKONDLA 2 and 3 are situated on the premises of Sizakuyenza Safe House, cnr Eisleben and Phumelele Roads, Philippi, Cape Town 7750.

### Child 'A', aged 11, lives at Ons Plek.

She has been begging on the street from the age of 6 years, to support her disabled mother.

Her father is a gang leader and abuses mother and child.

A rival gang took revenge on the father by holding a gun to the child's head!

Child 'A' went to the Police for help. She was placed in the care of Ons Plek.

Due to her circumstances she has not attended school for several years. At age 11 she is not able to read or write.

Assessment in our Bridging school places her functioning at Grade 1.

She is a survivor, street smart and is used to defending herself. She struggles to accept boundaries, never having had any.

**Inside is a soft child who longs to be held**, to be able to rely on adults, to lower her guard and put her burdens down. But her life has taught her to trust at her peril.

# Child 'A' was never given the opportunity to be a child.

To all who enable Ons Plek to warm hurting hearts, thank you!



Pam Jackson: DIRECTOR

The work of Ons Plek is going well. Staff morale is high. We rejoice in our new premises which have had a huge healing effect on the girls. We continue to struggle to move forward in faith, due to an ongoing Reserve of only 4 weeks. A precarious existence! A mirror of what our 'girls' have lived with for many years.





### Department of Health Talk 2

Part of World's Aids Day celebration

One of our many Health Talks. This one on the topic of HIV/Aids. Taking advantage of the good weather as our classroom and lounge are too small for the group. One day we will have enough money to build a bigger classroom.

### Corporate Social Responsibility

Tax Deductible Benefits:

We are registered as a Public Benefit
Organisation and thus all donations to us are tax deductible under Section 18A of the Income Tax Act.

Pay less estate duty:
Being a Section 18A Tax
Benefit company means
that your family will
save on estate duties i.e.
exempt from payment of
estate duties.

### Shoprite's #YellowPacketChallenge

Halfway through Shoprite's six week #YellowPacketChallenge, Shoprite has donated groceries to the value of hundreds of thousands of Rands to numerous organisations across South Africa.

With its #YellowPacketChallenge, Shoprite is encouraging South Africans to pay it forward this winter by donating grocery bags filled with non-perishable, everyday essentials to individuals and organisations in need. And Shoprite is matching each donation made with a donation of its own.

A number of the Shoprite's friends including celebrities Nomzamo Mbatha, Bokang Montjane-Tshabalala and Siphiwe Tshabalala, Tol Ass Mo, Mafa Bavuma, Marc Lottering as well as Jo-Ann Strauss, have all accepted Shoprite's #YellowPacketChallenge and are visiting organisations of their choice to donate yellow packets filled with much-needed provisions.

Faniswa, our longest serving child care worker, greets Marc Lottering, patron of Shoprite.

https://www.shoprite.co.za/latest-news/shoprite-matches-donations-by-the-sa-public.html

Thanks for the wonderful donation!



# Holiday Program ...

Sitting in the warm sun, creating with beads, in our 'still' new and spacious courtyard at Ons Plek

## Keeping track of your donation

If you are depositing money straight into Ons Plek Projects' bank account, please enter your surname AND initials, or your company's name, or Anonymous (if you prefer) in the REFERENCE BLOCKS on the DEPOSIT SLIP.

This information then appears on the bank statement and identifies who we need to receipt and thank for the donation.

### OUR BANKING DETAILS:

Bank: FIRST NATIONAL BANK Account No: 620-529-16908 Branch: WOODSTOCK Branch Code: 255005

In name of: ONS PLEK PROJECTS

Swift Code: FIRNZAJJ

Monies being deposited from overseas (telegraphic transfer) must please make use of the swift code.

### PLEASE NOTE:

First National Bank has advised that cheques will not be accepted if the full name i.e. 'Ons Plek Projects' is not reflected on the cheque ... and we would be so

sorry to have to return any cheques!

# Our Wish List ...

All donations are dropped off at our house in Mowbray and the address is 7 Malleson Road, Mowbray.

We have 35 girls in our care and you can donate the following items listed below:

### **BASIC GROCERIES PER WEEK**

20kg Sugar, 20kg Maize, 20kg Rice, 5kg Flour, 2 Yeast, Bread, 4kg Samp, 2kg Dry Beans, Meat, 10kg Chicken, R150 Sausage, 2kg Viennas, French Polony, 6 x Pasta, 8 x tin Beans, 8 x Pilchards, 8 x Peanut Butter, 4 x 900g Jam, Spices, 24 x Beefstock, 2 x 500g Salt, 4 litres Oil, 4kg x Margarine, Amazi, 60 x Eggs, 8 x 1litre Milk, Tea, Coffee, 2 x 750ml Mayonnaise, 2 x Chutney, 2x Tomato Sauce, Cordials, 6kg Washing Powder, 4 x Sunlight Soap (Green Bar), 4 x Sunlight liquid, 4 x Handy Andy, 4 x Bleach, 2 x Black Bags, 2 x Steelwool.

### **VEGETABLES AND FRUIT**

Potatoes, Onions, Carrots, Cabbage, Beetroot, Pumpkin/Butternut, Tomatoes, Green Pepper, Apples, Pears, Bananas, Oranges/Naartjies.

### CLOTHING (small to large)

Tights (S–XL), Winter Pyjamas (S–XL), Takkies and Pumps (sizes 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7).

### **STATIONERY**

Pritt (43g), Reams White Paper (80gsm), Hardcover Books (96 pages), Hardcover Books (196 pages), Hardcover Books (288 pages), Exercise Books (72 pages), Nature Study Books (72

pages), Plastic Rolls, Brown Paper Rolls, Paper Grafton Bright A4 Rainbow Paper (pack of 50), Board Bright A4 (pack of 50) 160gsm, Whiteboard (160gsm) A4, Whiteboard (160gsm) A3, Project Paper A3 (White), Maths Sets, Pencils Staedtler HB, Colouring Pencils, Erasers, Water paint, Scissors, Sharpeners, English Dictionaries, White board markers, Permanent markers, World map poster.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM (Sizes 28, 30, 32, 34, 36 and 38)

Long Sleeves Shirts White, Grey pants, White and Grey socks.

### **GAMES / OTHER ITEMS**

Soccer and Netball balls, Wool and Knitting Needles, Skipping ropes.

### APPLIANCES / FURITURE / MAINTENANCE

School Desks/Tables, Plastic Chairs.

#### WATER

Jojo Tanks, 20/25 litre Jerry Cans, Water.

Please do not hesitate to contact Ons Plek if you require any further information.

Tel. 021 685 4052 / 49





### Ukondla's vegetable garden

Success!! After mulching the hard soil, planting seeds and watering ... we have evidence of lush, green growth. The children sell the fresh produce to their parents. Proceeds go towards holiday activities for Ukondla.

### HAVE YOU MOVED?

Please advise us of your change of address if you have moved home or office ... it's so disappointing when the 'thank you' letters that the girls have written, or our newsletters, are returned to us!

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