

# **JUNE 2017 NEWSLETTER**

We survived the storm! As frightening as the storm was, it is a comforting thought knowing that no matter what disaster strikes, there will always be people willing to help. It is that sense of community that we need to live by every day, and not only in the tough times.

So go, today, buy your R60 voucher that will allow a 10 day stay each for 5 homeless people at the Haven and pay your R65 per month for our Safety & Cleaning Initiative and lets work together as a community for our beautiful Sea Point!

# **SFB SAFETY & CLEANING INITIATIVE (SCI)**

## **STRAATWERK**

It has been less than 6 months since we started our Upliftment Programme and we have recruited an unbelievable SEVENTY ONE homeless people from the streets in an attempt to restore their dignity. Thank you Straatwerk!

## www.straatwerk.org.za

We are proud to report that we had quite a significant increase in our cleaning efforts compared to last year. See for yourself!

| SFB Safety& Cleaning Initiative |          |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
|                                 | May 2016 | May 2017 |
| Straatwerk Shifts               | 16       | 43       |
| Refuse Bags Collected           | 249      | 526      |
| Doggy Poo Bags Supplied         | 4 490    | 10 140   |



#### THE FIELDWORKER & THE STORM

The SFB team are fully aware of what a gem we have in our Fieldworker, Mr Jantjie Booysen, but he really went above and beyond by being on 24hr standby during the storm to help our vulnerable homeless. He personally drove them to shelters, checking up on those who do not want to go to the shelters and generally just being a safe & warm presence in a challenging, cold and let's be honest, at times, rather scary situation!

He mentioned that The Storm was once again a sad reminder that we simply do not have enough shelters in our area to accommodate our homeless. The Haven has 1 700 beds in the Western Cape and they were all full on the night of the storm. And while there were beds still available here and there, the majority of them are in the southern suburbs. Our fieldworker also had the forward thinking of securing the Sport & Recreation hall in Delft in case of an emergency to use. Luckily this was not needed.

| Statistics for May 2017  |   |
|--|---|
| No. of Clients screened on the streets at hotspots                   |   |
| No. of Clients recruited Upliftment Programme via Assessment Centre  |   |
| No. of Clients placed in shelters via Assessment Centre              |   |
| No. of Clients waiting for assistance with ID documentation          |   |
| No. of Clients moved to independent housing via Upliftment Programme | 4 |
| No. of Client engagements over 4 Months                              |   |

## **PPA TALON**

Thanks to PPA Talon and their very vigilant patrollers, they managed to identify a potential drug dealer on the promenade and assisted the SAPS in arresting him. Even more good news, check out our new wheels! You will see our vigilant patrollers rolling around Sea Point in style with our new electronic bicycle



# 24HR EMERGENCY RAPID RESPONSE NUMBER: 076 298 3307

Control room: 021 434 4422

THE SAFETY & CLEANING INITIATIVE IS AVAILABLE FOR ONLY R65 PER MONTH.

BE PROUD TO PAY AND PART OF THE CHANGE

Contact: <a href="mailto:admin@sfb.org.za">admin@sfb.org.za</a>

## **SFB SUPPORTS**

#### **LENNY ZWANE**



Meet Lenny.

Lenny has been homeless on the street of Cape Town since 2013. He was recruited by Straatwerk through the Upliftment Programme of the SFB Ratepayers Association and says it has truly been a life changing experience!

Needing more than R2000 to get his Swaziland ID documents in order, he started saving up for it through the Upliftment Programme system for it. But having reached the maximum of R300 cash that the programme can keep safe for participants, SFB members came to the rescue to provide another place to save in order to reach the target.

We are requesting donations to help Lenny, no matter how small:

Bank: Standard Bank

Acc Name: SFB Ratepayers & Residents Association

Acc No: 071 067 590 Branch Name: Sea Point Branch Number: 024 109 Ref: Lenny Zwane

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Amos Mgabe, a handicapped participant in the Jesus Saves Daily Teams, concerned himself with Lenny's plight and has been providing Lenny with accommodation with him and his wife.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

18 July – Mercedes Car Launch (Cape Town Cruise Terminal)
23 & 24 June - Depart of Environmental Affairs SA Agulhas II Open Day - V&A Waterfront

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