



*“The impact of Covid 19 on the communities of KwaZulu-Natal has been significant and far-reaching. To curb the spread of this novel virus, the South African Government implemented restrictions at varied levels of lockdown. Clearly, a difficult task to balance strict lockdowns for the benefit of its citizens against the economic cost thereof. The burden this decision imposed on food-insecure households and families living below the poverty line was underestimated, as well as those communities requiring technology to connect and ensure the education of their children. Our CSI projects this year have focused on assisting these vulnerable communities. Our flagship project was the IT infrastructure installation carried out in Rorke’s Drift and Islwandla. The learners in this district required connectivity to ensure the learners access to education. KZN Slots partnered with Khula Education, sponsoring the installation and Khula will maintain annual subscriptions going forward to ensure the longevity of this project. The educators in these districts have seen drastic improvements in the education of their learners. In partnership with Woza Moyo, a sustainable gardening project was implemented training the women in the local communities to build and maintain community gardens, thereby ensuring food security in their communities.”*



## **ROBIN HOOD FOUNDATION**

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## **SIX EDUMENI SOUTH CIRCUIT SCHOOLS IN RURAL ISANDLWANA AND ROUKE'S DRIFT**

***“The last year has proved that the KHULA Education staff and children can rise to any challenge. We have taken full advantage of the pandemic to continue to improve the quality and reach that KHULA Education can offer and education through technology plays an important role. Our successes could not have happened without your support; the installation of the WiFi was a game-changer for us all and the wider introduction of tablets has had a significant effect on how we are able to teach. You have made a viable and significant difference to the lives and futures of 6,000 children and their families and we are enormously grateful. Thank you from our KHULA Staff and Board as well as the local School Principals and Educators. Your support means the world to us all”***

## **AMANZINTOTI TRAUMA CENTRE**

***“Thank You KZN Slots for your invaluable assistance, particularly in these difficult times. Your sponsorship enables us to help domestic violence victims in our community”***

## **KZN CEREBRAL PALSY ASSOCIATION**

***“COVID-19 has had a significant impact on the world as we know it. It has changed the way in which we interact with each other, how businesses are run and how we offer and give support. Despite many challenges, however, you have chosen to support us, and this gives us strength. Without you, it would be impossible for us to carry on the work that we do, and we are beyond grateful. We have been exceptionally busy at the Association in preparing our new property to be safe, healthy, and clean for the return of our employees and disabled members. Renovations are underway and we are extremely excited about the coming changes! We believe that change is not only good, but necessary, to sustain ourselves to be able to continue helping those who live with disabilities. Here at KZNCPA, we start every day with a smile, knowing how fortunate we are to be able to carry on the work we do. This work would not be possible if it were not for your contributions, support and donations. Everyone here is grateful daily for the opportunity to continue providing a caring and loving place for our cerebral palsied members. We exist because of you, and your support enables us to be a sustainable organisation” – Lesly Hall, CEO KZN Cerebral Palsy”***

## **LETCEE**

***“Your donation has contributed to the health, safety and education of more than 200 young children in these deep rural communities. It is greatly appreciated. Thank You KZN Slots”.***

## **ORGANISATION OF DISABILITY EMPOWERMENT**

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## **ROBIN HOOD FOUNDATION**

***“COMMUNITY MEMBERS CONVERTING HOME SPACES INTO DOOR SIZE DEEP TRENCH HOME ORGANIC GARDENS - As the Covid 19 pandemic progress many community members are worried about food security. Rising of food prices and loss of income are hitting hard the vulnerable people. Higher retail prices will result in more households having to cut down on their food quantity. With potential lasting impact on nutrition and health especially for children and people who are on chronic medication. Woza Moya is implementing 100 door size deep trench organic home gardens across Ufafa valley. Alan Hofland (horticulturalist) trained local women on how to set up a nursery and bookkeeping. These women are expected to look after for their nursery and sell seedlings to community members. Food garden champions were also trained on organic gardens. The selected households will implement organic door size gardens in their homesteads and they will be mentored by food garden champions. “If community members learn how to grow their own food, they will help themselves” says Thuli Mtolo who oversees the Sustainable livelihoods programme. Thank you to KZN Slots for partnering with in improving food security”***



# LETCEE

## Contributed R110 000

The Little Elephant Training Centre for Early Education (LETCEE) is an Early Childhood Development (ECD) non-profit organization, established in 1993 that works in the impoverished, rural communities in Greytown, where unemployment figures are high & the impact of HIV/Aids and TB is a reality in almost every home. Access to basic services such as health & education remains poor. One of the biggest concerns is the lack of access to ECD services. Fewer than 10% of children between the ages of zero and five years, in this area, are able to access Early Childhood Development services at a crèche or pre-school. To address this gap in children's education, LETCEE runs four children's centres in the deep rural communities of Greytown. These centres are converted shipping containers that provide play & learning resources to the children and community. Children can attend playgroups, at which they also receive a wholesome meal, daily. The centres provide a safe space for children – essential in the current social climate in our country. Although designed for pre-schoolers, the centres now provide services to older children too – especially those in Grades 1, 2 & 3 who need a safe place to wait before walking home with older siblings.

# **SIX EDUMENI SOUTH CIRCUIT SCHOOLS IN RURAL ISANDLWANA AND ROUKE'S DRIFT**

## **Contributed R150 000**

All six schools are no fee schools & are in extremely impoverished communities. To maximise the impact of teaching programmes through the provision & installation of IT infrastructure in 6 deep, rural schools in Umzinyathi District. These are no fee schools at which KHULA Education provides direct teaching support. Both the learners & educators in these schools are 100% black. Most of the learners in these school come from single parent families & are supported by their grandparents. In the area, unemployment is at 80% & 60% of families live below the poverty line, surviving on social grants. These schools are significantly under-resourced & their isolated, rural location means that internet connectivity is simply unavailable, or slow & sporadic at best. It is a daily challenge for educators and their learners to access learning materials, make applications for study & connect with the wider world. Providing internet to these schools is a priority, if we are to ensure that both educators and learners are able to compete in modern society.



# ROBIN HOOD FOUNDATION

## Contributed R100 000

The Robin Hood foundation started informally in May 2005 and grew exponentially due to the needs of the community and in 2007 was registered as an NPO. The Foundation has 4 major projects, namely: - Gogo Bags; Love the Babies; Bless a Granny & Grandpa and Hope Breakfast (Child Headed Household). Each project done under the Child Headed Household banner is specifically aimed at orphaned and vulnerable cases and assistance of the Community Liaison is necessary. KZN Slots took this a step further and have funded 10 scholars for the duration of the last three academic years, ensuring that not only do they have their school uniform and stationary needs met, but that their home has the basic food needs met as well.

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# KZN CEREBRAL PALSY ASSOCIATION

## Contributed R75 000

Association was established in 1969 and registered as a welfare organisation which strives to enhance the lives and functional independence of children and adults with cerebral palsy. The abilities of people with cerebral palsy differ widely from one individual to another, so do the Centre's services. They teach the educable, train the intellectually challenged and provide loving care and therapy for those most profoundly affected through six facilities - education and awareness; assessment; physiotherapy; occupational therapy; speech therapy; psychological facilities; day care and residential care. These facilities are open to all, inclusive of those that are in financial distress.

# MEMEZA

**Contributed R140 000**

Social Enterprise geared to empower the most vulnerable communities with tangible safety technology, linked directly with SAPS, Community Policing Forums, Neighbours, Family and Friends. Its vision is aligned to the National Development Plan on Safety... "by 2030, people living in South Africa should have no fear of crime. Women, children and those who are vulnerable should feel protected." Project is in partnership with the Civilian Secretariat of Police Services.

# **WOZA MOYO**

## **Contributed R100 000**

Woza Moyo began in 2000 in direct response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic that was ravaging the Ufafa Valley community. This organization works at a grassroots level going door to door in the community, educating, counselling and monitoring. It is their vision to see all people of the Ufafa Valley community healthy and productive, living in a safe and clean environment with good access to services and social justice. Further, they have made it their mission to facilitate the empowerment of the community through various programmes.

# ORGANISATION OF DISABILITY EMPOWERMENT

## Contributed R100 000

The Organisation for Disability Empowerment is a Non-Profit organisation which renders services within the boundaries of the eThekweni Municipality. The Organisation provides free services to the community such as applications for assistive devices, Early Childhood Development unit for children with disabilities, Referrals for Disability grants, Identity documents, Special schooling, Open Labour Market and Community Outreach programmes focusing on under-resourced and under privileged areas.

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# AMANZINTOTI TRAUMA CENTRE

**Contributed R80 000**

Amanzintoti Trauma Unit t/a Turning Point is a non-profit organization specialising in Domestic Violence against abused women and their children. They assist with debriefing and counselling of clients that have been traumatised. Registered with the Department of Social Development as a Safe House. They attend to community outreach programs, inclusive of victim friendly facilities at the Amanzintoti and Umbumbhulu SAPS, and the Rape Survivor Group of GJ Crookes Hospital, as well as run awareness programs and counselling at the primary and high schools in these areas.