HERITAGE MONTH





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SEPTEMBER NEWS

September is Heritage Month in South Africa and the 24th of September is Heritage Day, which is a public holiday to celebrate the cultural wealth of our beautiful country. This year Woza Moya celebrated with less than 100 children (due to Covid-19 regulations) from afterschool, PowerGirls and the Good Guys Club. Everyone dressed up in their traditional clothing and sang beautiful songs, performed traditional dances, while some children created poetry. This is a great way for the children to celebrate their own culture and learn more about the different traditions of South Africa. A quiz was used to educate children on the importance of Heritage day, diverse languages, traditions and culture. All the children who participated were spoiled with a light lunch. Congratulations Lusiba girls from Chibini Village who won the prize for best Zulu dance. "As facilitators we learned a lot during this event, the children were happy, committed and proud of what they were doing. They are very talented and from now on we wish to celebrate this day every year just to give them time to enjoy and be children." - Sinethemba Ndlovu (Youth development coordinator)

MAKHALIMA BRINGS HOPE TO THE COMMUNITY

Our Paralegal and Advocacy manager Khanyisani has been working with Durban based NGO Makhalima Development Centre on Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act (COIDA) workshops. They conducted workshops in four villages of the Ufafa Valley to share information for compensation for disablement caused by occupational injuries or diseases sustained or contracted by employees in the course of their employment. The workshops covered the purpose of COIDA, how does negligence affect compensation, claim procedures for occupational injuries and diseases, occupational diseases and claims. These workshops provided invaluable information which will prevent workers having to go to civil courts for small claims and were an eye opener for community members, especially those who haven't claimed from the compensation fund. This is a process where the community will benefit and get access to social justice.









SEEDLING DISTRIBUTION

Woza Moya encourages all season planting and that is why we have distributed thousands of seedlings to 100 families so that people continue planting. Gardening is a great therapy for people who suffer with depression. Most people in our community feel that gardening helps connect themselves to nature which most people don't get in the big cities. "Preparing a beautiful meal with your own home grown vegetables gives you an amazing sense of achievement. No vegetables ever taste better than those you've grown with your own hands" - Mama Mncwabe (beneficiary)

NEW PARTNERSHIPS

In September we started the new partnership with BASF Holdings South Africa (Pty) Ltd www.basf.com/za/en/who-we-are/Companies-and-Locations/BASF-SA.html . The BASF Holdings South Africa (Pty) Ltd will support three Woza Moya Community food gardens. The Lego Foundation www.carefored.co.za will support Woza Moya ECD services that were affected by the unrest and looting that took place in July.

ALSO IN SEPTEMBER

- The Organisational Development Consultant, Davine Thaw facilitated the organisation strengthening.

 Our team are stepping up into the new positions and they feel supported.
- Thembi was invited by Wordworks to share with other NGO partners her journey for implementing Every Word Count trainings and supporting guardians in times of Covid 19.
- Woza Moya women received their special gifts from Spar. All women felt special to receive their beautifully wrapped gifts. Thank you MySPAR for spoiling Woza Moya women!
- The Woza Moya Arts and Crafts centre is almost complete, with a few areas needing some attention.









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