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DEVASTATING FLOODING IN KZN

Millions of people across our province were affected by the heavy rains and subsequent flooding in April. The Ufafa Valley Community was not spared and Woza Moya needed to close for two days to ensure that staff were safe. Beneficiaries mud houses were washed away in the process losing vital possessions such as ID documents, birth certificates and Road to Health Cards. Crops and livestock were also destroyed which will impact this year's harvest. Some roads in our community are now impassable hindering access to some villages, and it is difficult for community members to reach Ixopo town where they can find government departments such as hospitals, clinics, Department of Home Affairs and Department of Social Development. This is another devastating blow to Ufafa valley families who are still trying to put their lives together after the Covid 19 pandemic and the rioting and looting less than two years ago. We found ourselves in emergency relief mode, doing trauma counselling, delivering food vouchers and other necessities to households in desperate need. The team at Woza Moya sends out its heartfelt condolences to all those who lost loved ones, property and possessions during the flood.



CAPE TOWN CALLING

DGMT arranged for Sinethemba (Youth Development Coordinator) and Hlengiwe (HR and admin officer) to travel to Cape Town to attend the 2022 DGMT fellowship for Organisation Innovation. It was the first time on a plane for Sinethemba and Hlengiwe. They returned inspired by what they learned in the fellowship and they look forward to putting this information to good use at Woza Moya.



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YOUTH INTERNS

Every year Woza Moya welcomes new youth interns and this month we are excited to welcome Mthobisi Dlamini and Vuyiswa Bekwa to our team. This internship is only open to unemployed youth who reside at Ufafa valley. With the high unemployment rate in South Africa, the purpose of these opportunities is to offer the youth who have matric an opportunity to gain work experience and understand how Woza Moya operates. The interns are enjoying the learning experiences that come with the different programme managers.

BREAKING THE SILENCE OF GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

Woza Moya has joined hands with 200 Community Advice Offices across nine provinces in a national meeting which was hosted by CAOSA in Pretoria. The focal point of the meeting was on how Community Advice Offices and NPO's like us can better support victims of Gender Based Violence and break the silence about the scourge of GBV in our communities. How we can work together to improve our legal frameworks, public systems (police, shelters, counselling) and continue to fight for fair women's economic and social participation. To include gender sensitization in the school curriculum and teacher training programs because we feel that is where we can collectively make a start. To make public transport safe and accessible for women and train health care workers on early detection of domestic violence and lastly to talk openly to our children and friends about gender-based violence.

ALSO IN APRIL

- Our Food, Nutrition and farming coordinator started to sell organic seedlings from Woza Moya seedling nursery.
- Woza Moya become an awardee of Old Mutual Staff Volunteer Fund Trust.
- Quarterly ECD forum of all 15 ECD practitioners around Ufafa valley.
- The Good Guys Club guardians held a meeting at Woza Moya. The aim of the meeting was to welcome parents and talk about the plans for 2022 for the boys.
- Congratulations to Khanyisani who passed his driving licence!





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