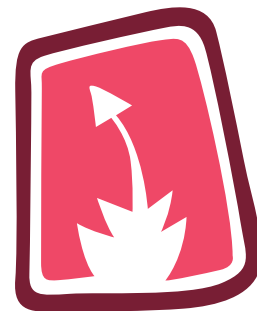


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JUNE AT WOZA MOYA

June is Youth Month in South Africa and to celebrate Woza Moya hosted a Sports Day for the youth at Mashakeni sports ground. This year's theme was 'Together we can defeat the scourge of the gender based violence that is facing our community'. About 300 youths attended the event with 14 soccer teams and 10 netball teams coming to participate from across the Ufafa Valley area. Juventus Soccer Club (Mashakeni) won the soccer tournament and received a trophy, medals, new soccer kit – sponsored by Velaphi Dlamini from the **Mondi Group**, and a soccer ball. In the Netball the Ntakama team (Mthakathi) took the honours and won a trophy, medals and a netball. Chess, which was a new addition to this year's event was won by Lindokuhle Bekwa (Bhensela) and received a trophy, medal and a chess board. The Sports Day was a great success, the youth enjoyed themselves and behaved well, even the community elders got involved and had a great time.

POWERGIRLS OUTING

On the 25th of June the PowerGirls Programme visited the Highover Wildlife Sanctuary on the banks of the Mkomazi River for an educational outing and to relax outdoors. The girls together with their Power Mamas (Thembi, Snethemba and Zandile) enjoyed different activities such as walking through the river, enjoying the games in the bush camps, seeing the blue swallows and taking time to simply relax. They also enjoyed delicious breakfast and lunch. The **PowerGirls** is a 7 year programme that is funded by the MAMAS Alliance to empower vulnerable girls to become great young women, outspoken and capable of becoming positive agents of change within their communities.

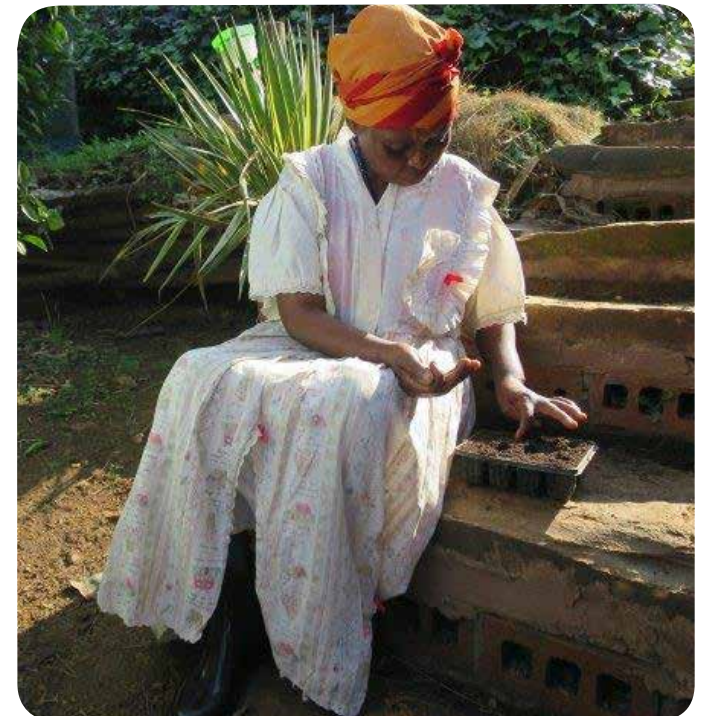


VISIT TO BONAKUDE FARM

Woza Moya organised a learning visit to Bonakude Farm in Richmond for our communal gardeners. Bonakude Farm is an agro-ecological farm whose methods place emphasis on biodiversity and community wellbeing. The visit provided the gardeners with an opportunity to learn about seedlings, nursery management, diverse planted gardens, compost making, companion planting, mulching and crop rotation. The gardeners were able to interact, share information and learn best agricultural practices from Bonakude Farm. The visit was well received by everyone. The communal gardeners were eager to go back to their villages and share what they learned with local farmers.

EXCHANGING KNOWLEDGE TO CHANGE THE BEHAVIOUR OF PEOPLE IN THE UFABA VALLEY

Across South Africa communities are struggling with multiple complex health issues including poverty and unemployment. Young people growing up in these communities are exposed to substantial threats to their well-being. That is why Woza Moya has been involved in a multi-sectoral stakeholder engagement during Youth Month in order to address issues that affect the youth of the Ufafa Valley. We work closely with Community Care Givers and many government Departments like the Department of Health, Social Development, and COGTA, Sports & Recreation, to help the community identify effective approaches and strategies that will motivate change in our area and sustain newly adopted healthy behaviours.





ALSO IN JUNE

- June is the end of the financial year of Woza Moya. The busy month for finance team as we begin performing reports and finances for the up coming annual audit.
- Woza Moya issued 100 food vouchers to needy families as the impact of floods has left many households in a much worse state than before.
- Hlengiwe and Thuli conducted the financial literacy workshop for our team.



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