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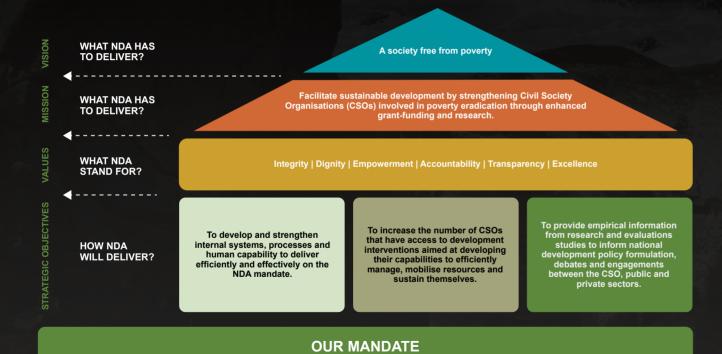
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About the National Development Agency

The National Development Agency (NDA) is an agency of government tasked with the mandate to contribute towards the eradication of poverty and its causes in South Africa.



Our primary mandate is to contribute towards the eradication of poverty and its causes by granting funds to civil society organisations (CSOs) to:

- · Implement development projects in poor communities.
- · Strengthen the institutional capacity of CSOs that provide services to impoverished communities.

The secondary mandate is to:

- Promoting consultation, dialogue and the sharing of development experience between CSOs and the relevant organs of state.
- · Promoting debates on national development policy.
- · Undertaking research and publication aimed at providing the basis for development policy.

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Foreword by ND-A Board Chairperson



Ms Nozabelo Ruth Bhengu

"The Bill of Rights is a cornerstone of democracy in South Africa. It enshrines the rights of all people in our country and affirms the democratic values of human dignity, equality and freedom. (2) The state must respect, protect, promote and fulfil the rights in the Bills of Rights."

The South African Constitution is one of the most advanced Constitutions in the world, however, since the dawn of democracy, the country has been struggling to redress the imbalances of the past, given that now government must provide and treat all citizens equally. The tragedy of our past still haunts us in the form of the majority of South Africans that still suffer economically due to the previous education system that was focusing on churning out employees and not entrepreneurs.

It is in this light that the National Development Agency, an agency of government that reports to Parliament through the Department of Social Development, has been tasked with the mandate to

contribute towards the eradication of poverty by working with the civil society organisation to empower marginalised communities. Poverty continues to be perpetuated due to the lack of access to gainful economic activities at all levels of the economically active population groups in South Africa. Those mostly affected are particularly black women, youth, and those living with disabilities located in the former homelands, townships and informal settlements. We need to make a quantum leap from this state of insufficiency if we are to thrive as a nation.

It is with elation that I report ways of empowering our communities are being investigated as a means of ensuring sustainability and a legacy that will benefit these disadvantaged communities through the cooperatives vehicle which will empower participants economically as well. I therefore call upon all of government, the private sector and the CSO sector to partner with us in empowering local communities. Empowered communities are self-sufficient and are familiar with their Constitutional rights. They strive to improve their

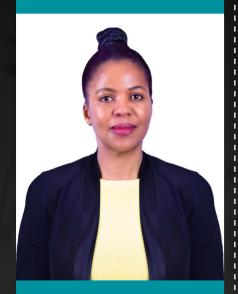
living conditions and to ensure a brighter future for themselves and their dependants. When this happens, we can all be rest assured that we have done our part in improving the living conditions of our people.

Let us take bold steps and address the poverty in our country, once and for all!

Ms Ruth Bhengu

Chairperson

Overview by NDA CEO



Ms Reekeletseng Hlapolosa Acting Chief Executive Officer

"Help us get closer to achieving our vision of "developing a society free from poverty"

It is my pleasure to present to you this booklet containing a selection of projects that we fund in your province. The National Development Agency (NDA) is tasked with a challenging mandate of contributing towards the eradication of poverty, moreover, during an economically depressed era. It is only in improving the lives of marginalised communities and assisting them to contribute to the economy, even if it is at micro level to begin with, enabling us to move forward as a nation.

The NDA is a state poverty eradication institution tasked with the mandate to effectively respond to people who are severely affected by poverty, due to the lack of access and the means to generating a sustainable income through self-help projects. These are the people who access relief through the social security programmes implemented by government. It is also a fact that without the robust social security programmes put in place by the South African government, the state of poverty and inequalities would be in a far more critical condition.

The role of the NDA, within the Department of Social Development is to provide developmental programmes and projects that will support and provide a variety of interventions to move the South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) beneficiaries to, self-help developmental interventions that will lead to gainful economic activities, income to those disadvantaged individuals and families and the eradication of poverty. Working towards a common goal between all the functionaries within the Department of Social Development, known as the Social Development Portfolio, these entities formulated a strategic approach to respond effectively in eradicating poverty. As such, working towards a common goal ensures effectively designed developmental interventions and programmes that are impactful towards poverty.

The NDA will accelerate the District Development Model (DDM) approach which has demonstrated to be a useful framework to organise, develop, plan and deliver impactful developmental interventions to move poor people out of poverty in a coordinated way. This model provides better coordination and integration framework for all spheres of government, the private sector and civil society will focus their investments to one outcome – the eradication

of poverty, resulting in the positive impact on poverty eradication developmental efforts.

Only a multi-dimensional approach, with specific defined target groups and defined spatial perspective can provide pathways for moving affected communities from poverty to sustainable productive livelihoods through interventions led by communities themselves, organised as cooperatives, non-profit organisations and other structures.

I invite all those who want to contribute towards sustainable poverty eradication efforts to be in touch with us so that we can work together to turn poverty around and help our people live dignified lives.

Ms Reekeletseng Hlapolosa Acting Chief Executive Officer

Partnership call to action



Mr Xolile Brukwe Senior Manager: Stakeholder Relations

The principal function of the National Development Agency's (NDA) partnership model is to ensure the sustainability of funded development programmes and interventions through establishing and maintaining strategic partnerships with other private, government and donor organisations. The National Development Agency (NDA) was established with the sole mandate to contribute towards the country's efforts of eradicating poverty and its causes, which is intrinsically part of the triple challenges the country is confronted with namely: poverty, inequality and unemployment. Albeit the limited resources and the struggle to link the yields to markets or value chain constraints, the NDA has over the years worked with civil society organisations (CSOs) on poverty eradication efforts and its causes.

The NDA's new strategic focus aims to address the historic challenges by fine-tuning a focus that aims towards more legitimacy, credibility, social capital and control over funded interventions and programmes – including the closer monitoring of outcomes and the deliberate impact measurement of projects. Secondly, there is a need to upscale the existing funded projects to reach full stability and sustainability potential through aggressive resource mobilisation efforts amongst other various stakeholders in the development space delivering and responding to real community needs that are in alignment with the District Development Model framework.

Partnerships amongst business sector and non-governmental organisations or CSOs are common across the world in the form of corporate social responsibility initiatives and undertakings. This cross-sector collaboration pools resources, competencies and knowledge together for achieving greater impact in joint projects. It is against this backdrop that the NDA's partnership model considers partnership best suited to derive maximum benefit in depressed communities using CSOs as its vehicle. Effective collaborations and partnerships consider service delivery imperatives, cost effectiveness, social cohesion and nation building as well as the need to respond to demands of a constantly changing society that must deal with the effects of poverty, unemployment and inequalities.

NDA poverty eradication interventions are aligned with the recognition that people living in economic isolation have skills, wisdom, assets, capacities and productive entrepreneurial energy. The missing link is their need to access and transmit this potential into viable economic activity that uplifts communities through the creation of jobs and sustainable livelihoods.

The NDA calls on private, public and donor organisations who share in this philosophy, that collaborating with communities for their own development, which must be bottom-up, organic and people-driven, which is the only sustainable means to free communities of poverty, inequality and unemployment.

We invite you to fill out the pledge card at the end of this publication to engage with us as a partner in development for a better South Africa, for all.

Xolile Brukwe

Senior Manager: Stakeholder Relations

About the Western Cape

The Western Cape is situated on the south-western tip of the African continent. It is a region of folded mountains, well-watered valleys, wide beaches and breath-taking scenery. The cold Atlantic Ocean along the west coast is a rich fishing area, while the warmer Indian Ocean skirts its southern beaches. Visitors to the Western Cape can land at Cape Town International Airport or disembark at the Port of Cape Town in the shadow of Table Mountain.

A network of roads also leads to Cape Town, the capital of this province. Other important towns in the province include Vredenburg-Saldanha, an important harbour for iron exports and the fishing industry; Worcester and Stellenbosch in the heart of the winelands; George, renowned for indigenous timber and vegetable produce; Oudtshoorn, known for its ostrich products, and Beaufort West on the dry, sheep-farming plains of the Great Karoo.

The Western Cape boasts one of the six accepted floral kingdoms of the world. Although the smallest of them all, the Western Cape Floral Kingdom, locally called fynbos, contains more plant species than the whole of Europe. This is also the home of the world-famous protea and heather. The Knysna-Tsitsikamma region has the country's biggest indigenous forests. This is a fairyland of age-old forest giants, ferns and colourful birdlife. Products of the forests include furniture made from the indigenous yellowwood, stinkwood and white pear, and are sought-after pieces. The tourism sector is perceived as the most important growth force in the Western Cape.

More than four million people live in the Western Cape on 129 370 km² of land of whom the greatest number are Afrikaans-speaking. Other main languages are English and Xhosa. The Western Cape has the highest adult education level in the country, with only 6.7% of people aged 20 years or older having undergone no schooling. The province has a strong network of higher educational institutions.

The Western Cape is rich in agriculture and fisheries. The sheltered valleys between the mountains provide ideal conditions for a harvest of top-grade fruits, such as apples, table grapes, olives, peaches and oranges. In the eastern part of the Western Cape region, a great variety of vegetables is cultivated. The province can be divided into three climatic regions. The area around the Peninsula and the Boland is a winter-rainfall region with sunny, dry summers. Towards George along the south coast, the climate gradually changes to year-round rainfall, while inland, towards the Great Karoo, the climate changes to

summer rainfall.

The Western Cape is known as one of the world's finest grape farmers, its wines have received the highest accolades at international shows. The Little Karoo region around Oudtshoorn, besides being famous for its Cango Caves, is the centre of the ostrich-farming industry in South Africa. Fine leatherware, ostrich feathers and meat are exported from here to destinations across the world.

The Swartland district around Malmesbury and the Overberg at Caledon are the bread baskets of the country and other growing regions. The inland Karoo region around Beaufort West and the Bredasdorp district produce wool and mutton, as well as pedigree merino breeding stock. Other animal products include broiler chicken, eggs, dairy products, beef and pork, while racehorse-breeding is another important industry.

The west coast of the province is washed by the cold Benguela Current. The plankton-rich current is considered to be one of the world's richest fishing grounds. This resource is protected against over-fishing by foreign vessels, by means of a 200-km commercial fishing zone and a strict quota system. It is for the exclusive use utilisation of local inhabitants, and creates jobs for about 27 000 people who are directly dependent on the fishing industry. The province is well-known for its wide variety of sea-foods offered at restaurants dotted along the coastline. Snoek, Cape lobster, abalone, calamari, octopus, oysters and mussels are among the most sought after piscatorial delights.

The Western Cape makes the third-highest contribution to the country's GDP. An exciting development for the province and South Africa is the emergence of the first information communication technology cluster. The head offices of all but one of South Africa's petroleum companies are located in Cape Town. The city also houses the head offices of many of the country's insurance giants and national retail chains.

With over 170 000 people employed in the clothing and textile industry, it is the single most significant industries of employment in the Western Cape. The biggest segment of South Africa's printing and publishing industry is also situated in Cape Town. The official unemployment figure for the province is 18.4%, which is substantially lower than that of most other parts of the country. While Epping, Parow, Retreat and Montagu Gardens have been the core industrial areas in the past, new developments are arising in the Saldanha-Vredenburg areas, a spin-off by the vast Saldanha Steel project. The West Coast Investment Initiative, which forms part of the government's Spatial Development Initiate (SDI) programme was launched on 25 February 1998.

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COO's Message



Mrs Susan Khumalo NDA Chief Operations Officer

"We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about progress and prosperity for our community. Our ambitions must be broad enough to include the aspirations and needs of others, for their sakes and for our own", Cesar Chavez, Civil Rights Activist

The reality of our time is that many of our fellow country men and women live in poverty due to socio-economic conditions, not only in our country, but due to what is happening around the world. It is only through collectively addressing the issue of poverty, as government, state owned entities, private sector and the civil society sector, that we can address many ills that plague our respective communities.

We are called upon to be that generation that brings meaningful changes in the lives of marginalised societies. The truth is that, as the NDA, our programmes and projects can go far if all role players come together, through the District Development Model, to address socio-economic issues that keep our communities stuck in the circle of poverty.

The NDA has a wealth of experience in community development that transcends the different aspects ranging from strengthening the institutional capacity of CSOs, that implement development programmes and projects in poor communities, to assisting community-based organisations that provide community empowerment services or producing products that are traded in the community and beyond.

Programme 2, which I head, is the engine room of the NDA's primary mandate of contributing towards the eradication of poverty. It is in

Programme 2 that the NDA is represented in all the nine provinces across the country. Our provincial offices, inclusive of district offices where we have a footprint, are ready to work with partners and stakeholders that are committed to make a meaningful change in South Africa.

In the past, in executing our mandate, we used the CSOs Development Model, as approved in the 2016/17 financial year and which clearly provided a complete package of interventions to ensure members of the CSOs and their beneficiaries are: selected based on assessed needs and level of needs; provided with a combination of interventions pipeline for registration if not registered, capacity building, grant funding and linkages to markets and possible funders. This is to increase their own resources; and assist in attaining sustainability levels for the management of the CSO and the financial resources to support their programmes.

This approach was found to be inadequate to achieve the expectations of the NDA mandate, demonstrated by increased levels of poverty and unemployment. In 2021/22, the NDA had to initiate a process of turnaround and come up with a strategy that will effectively respond to the mandate of contributing towards poverty eradication. The new model is premised on targeting beneficiaries within indigent households which would be empowered to participate in community economic development initiatives through the District Development Model.

Our rich knowledge of community development puts us at the forefront of being catalysts and key players when it comes to

understanding projects and programmes that could make sustainable impact in the lives of people that both the public and private sector may want to invest in. The NDA works hand-in-hand, using the public and private partnerships, through its provincial offices and the civil society sector, to support community economic development initiatives whose main target is indigent households' members who have to be graduated out of poverty.

The NDA, over the years, has learned that development requires concerted efforts from all interested parties ranging from communities themselves, government, civil society, to the private sector. Communities have all the required assets that can form the foundation for investment and support to create community led development and sustainability.

The skills development programme, also in partnerships with the SETAs, private institutions and established CSOs, is aimed at strengthening emerging CSOs to ensure that they are able to produce quality services and products which will meet international standards that enable them to compete in the mainstream economy.

Mrs Susan Khumalo

NDA Chief Operations Officer

Provincial response to Poverty Eradication



Mr Ardiel Soeker Western Cape Provincial Manager

The NDA supports and strengthens Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) to implement poverty eradication projects. This involves more than simply allocating grants. CSOs working on poverty eradication are firstly assessed to understand their capabilities and needs. Where required, the NDA formalises and registers CSOs to enable them to partner with Government or access Government funding to deliver services to the poor. Training and capacity building are important services provided by the NDA as this improves governance, administration and project management capabilities within CSOs. With these support measures, the NDA is confident that its grant funding will be well utilised. In addition every effort is made to supplement grant funding with additional resources and opportunities to increase the impact and sustainability of an intervention.

CSOs are the NDA's apex partners in the fight against poverty. However, South Africa's historical development, particularly the impact of Apartheid policies on the livelihoods of the majority of South Africans are still a concern. Furthermore, the multi-dimensional nature of poverty requires a more nuanced response than just the efforts by civil society and NDA. The harnessing of poverty eradication efforts across Government Departments and the private sector are critical in the fight against poverty. However, above all this, the capabilities, experience, hopes and aspirations of those we call the poor, the vulnerable, the marginalised and excluded are the fundamental ingredient in the fight against poverty.

The District Development Model (DDM) is a catalyst for a more integrated and coordinated response to poverty enabling us to leverage the efforts and resources of other Government Departments and the private sector. This approach becomes more impactful with the careful targeting of poor and vulnerable citizens and households:

expanding their own power to make a difference.

A case in point is Hands Design Cooperative which is an income generation and skills development cooperative in Knysna. With the NDA's support it became a SETA accredited training service provider in the textile industry. In addition, NDA funding enabled the Cooperative to support unemployed women who received accredited training to establish their own home-based sewing business. However, many other partners are contributing through Hands Design Cooperative to fight poverty. For example, SEDA which supports business registration and development and SASSA which provides social grants to many of the unemployed women who participate in the project. Social grants are often the only form of income for many poor households and its contribution to the fight against poverty cannot be underestimated. This partnership model is applied by NDA Western Cape with various CSOs across diverse sectors. In Khayelitsha and Saldanha, NDA partners with Mfesane and in Vrygrond with the Sozo Foundation to enhance poverty eradication efforts by the Department of Social Development through its Youth Café programme. The programme provides skills training (wood working, hairdressing, baking etc) to the most vulnerable youth; those that are not studying or employed; known as NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training). The Department funds Mfesane and the Sozo Foundation to implement the Youth Café programme. The formal market, however, has been unable to absorb the young people and provide employment. The NDA adds value to the efforts of Mfesane and Sozo Foundation and the Department by enabling a selected youth to establish their own home-based businesses through the provision of machinery and equipment, business development and marketing training and mentorship. A key challenge facing income generation projects is access to markets.

Laphumilanga, a community vegetable garden project in Thembalethu, George produces vegetables for sale to the local community. Their sales and income greatly increased after the NDA linked them with the three local Community Nutrition Development Centres (CNDCs) in George during the COVID -19 lockdown. These CNDCs are funded by the Department of Social Development to provide daily meals to the poor and vulnerable households who are food insecure. The CNDCs purchase vegetables, and by securing this regular market Laphumilanga has been able to plan their production processes and increase their monthly income.

The DDM model, with CSOs at the centre, encourages a more collaborative, strategic and integrated approach from the public, private and civil society sectors to shift impoverished households from being stuck in survival mode towards sustainable livelihoods.

Mr Ardiel Soeker Western Cape Provincial Manager





Name of the CSO: Sozo Foundation Trust

Registration number: NPO 036-344

Established: 2002

Project type: Entrepreneurship and skills transfer

Location: Vrygrond, Cape Town

Contact: Thulani Ketelo - thulani@thesozofoundation.org.za or 073 198 0913

NDA grant funding: R220 310,79 Number of jobs created: 5

Population sector: Youth

The Sozo Foundation Trust (SFT) is a non-profit organisation, based in the impover-ished Cape Flats community adjacent to Lavender Hill under the City of Cape Town district. The Foundation's primary goal focuses on Youth Development projects and programmes in the Vrygrond and surrounding areas. It serves as a beacon of hope, that employs a passionate team who contribute to the creation of pathways for unemployed youths through education, skills and social enterprise initiatives, in support of young people who are not in education, employment or training. Its focus is on breaking intergenerational cycles of poverty.

Sozo Foundation's vision is to see the community of Vrygrond living with dignity, purpose and hope. Sozo creates opportunities for holistic development through three key areas: Education, Skills Development and Social Enterprise. Current projects are Educentre, GED General Education Diploma, Youth Café Skills Schools, The Wild Goose Bakery, Dancing Goat Roastery and Kingdom Builders. Interventions are geared towards addressing high levels of school drop-out, unemployment and limited economic opportunities.

The R220 310,79 NDA grant funding at Sozo enhances productivity and business development for five beneficiaries in Vrygrond. The funding assists the organisation to acquire business equipment for each business and assist to register the existing businesses as legal companies. The five small businesses that have been established are home based beauty spa's, one barber shop, one hairdresser and one community bakery. The overall output for the five businesses is to see the beneficiaries begin to access finance, grow their customer base and increase income generation through employing others and creating products, services and businesses that enhance and develop livelihoods.





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Name of the CSO: Mfesane NPC

Registration number: NPO: 003-685

Established: 1975

Sector: Entrepreneurship and skills transfer

Location: West Coast - Unit 4, 5 Hill Street, Vredenburg

Khayelitsha - Mfesane Central Office & Skills Centre, Noluthando School for the Deaf,

Govan Mbeki Rd, Greenpoint, Khayelitsha

Contact: Mrs Yolandi Afrika - yolandi@mfesane.org.za or + 27 (0) 22 713 2793

NDA grant funding amount: R368 883.69

Number of jobs created: 30 Population sector: Youth

Mfesane NPC is a development organisation with central offices in Khayelitsha, Cape Town and Vredenburg – West Coast with a staff complement of 169 members. A job creation grant funding agreement between Mfesane NPC and National Development Agency (NDA) initially established 10 mobile beauty start-up businesses for 10 youth entrepreneurs within the Saldanha Bay and Bergriver Municipalities in the Western Cape. The Youth Job Creation Programme, entirely facilitated by Mfesane NPC, received an initial R156 817, 54 grant from the NDA to provide human resources and busi-

ness management workshops. The funds were also used to purchase fully equipped start-up kits for the 10 dynamic hairdressers and nail technicians.

The development challenge that Mfesane addresses is within the job placement, there are limited job placement opportunities, especially in the economically disadvantaged areas they service. The formal market is unable to absorb the trained youth through the provision of employment opportunities or internships. Mfesane has therefore encouraged entrepreneurship and small business development to address the lack of job placement opportunities.

Mfesane linked the entrepreneurs to several resources to bolster the small business, including the Department of Transport and Public Works held a Learners License Workshop, for those who do not have drivers' licenses. The entrepreneurs have registered on the Small Enterprise Development Agency (SEDA) database and are therefore eligible to apply for funding from SEDA. This was done in conjunction with the Business Management training provided by the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA).

The success of the pilot programme extended the agreement to include an additional 20 youths - 10 youth from the Saldanha Bay Municipality area and 10 youth from Khayelitsha, where Mfesane also manages a Skills Training Centre. In Khayelitsha, following an extensive yearlong entrepreneurial and technical training programme, 10 females were able to start their own businesses after each receiving sewing business kits including; a sewing machine, overlock machine, toolbox with sewing tools, materials, and an iron.













Name of the CSO: Western Cape Honeybush
Tea Cooperative

Registration number: 2016/009335/24

Established: 2015

Sector: Income generation – production

Location: Room 12, Prince Vincent Building, Church Street, Outshoorn

Contact: Mr Raoul du Toit - 073 699 8665 / info@wcht.co.za

NDA grant funding amount: R202 962,35

Number of jobs created: 3

Population sector: Youth, women and males







Western Cape Honeybush Tea (WCHT) is registered as a primary Cooperative that primarily focuses on tea production. The establishment of WCHT derives from the community's assessment of high unemployed and unskilled youth within the Oudtshoorn municipal area. WCHT aims to address the high unemployment rate in Oudtshoorn and surroundings.

WCHT's focus is the harvesting of honeybush in the wild and processing it into tea for sale to domestic and overseas customers. WCHT intends to sell its product to big retailers such as Spar, Checkers, Shoprite and Pick & Pay in the near future. The cooperative plans to penetrate lucrative markets in the healthcare and leisure industry. The honeybush tea industry in South Africa is an important economic growth sector and has been earmarked by the government for the industrialisation of indigenous medicinal and aromatic plants which creates employment opportunities in previously disadvantage communities by harnessing their indigenous knowledge systems to create economic value.

The NDA grant funding amount has recently purchased a tea bag packing machine which will serve as catalyst to sell their product on the local and international market. In full production the project will benefit 38 direct beneficiaries and 76 indirect beneficiaries at initiation phase which will increase over time.



Name of the CSO: The League of Friends of the Blind (LOFOB)

Registration number: NPO No: 002-921

Established: 1933

Project type: Social welfare - disability

Location: 94 Klip Rd, Grassy Park, Cape Town

Contact: Benita Petersen - 021 705 3753 / info@lofob.org.za

NDA grant funding amount: R224 814, 89

Number of jobs created: 3

Population sector: Women and male

The League of Friends of the Blind (LOFOB) is a registered non-government organisation established in 1933. This 90 year old beacon of hope for the blind and visually impaired community, in and around Cape Town, provides a wide range of empowerment, educational, employment, and development services to children, the youth, and elderly persons who are born blind or come into visual impairment through various medical conditions and increasingly trauma related blindness.

Over the years, the organisation has established an array of services that respond to, support, and assist its beneficiaries and their families to integrate successfully into society. These include home management, training with home environment assimilation to assist the beneficiaries to become independent around the homes and communities, as well as lodging for those who are indigent for a minimal fee.

Services for children, birth to 18 years, caters for no cost infant stimulation programmes, pre-school centre that offers orientation and mobility training, play therapy, early learning and academics, occupational therapy, assistive devices, introduction to braille and computers, help with transitioning into mainstream and further school programmes; as well as a parent support group within a registered ECD facility.

Youth and adults are also supported at LOFOB through an on-boarding rehabilitation and orientation process that assesses their mobility, introduces them to braille, offers counselling for psycho-social adjustment, information technology training programmes including Job Access with Speech (JAWS), Non-Visual Desktop Access (NVDA) and other talk back applications. LOFOB further places them in educational-and-skills programmes that prepare beneficiaries for further training and employment opportunities, including; education on disability rights and responsibilities, reasonable accommodations in the workplace, referrals or references. Recently introduced, LOFOB's Academy offers an accredited National Diploma in Orientation and Mobility Practices and 6 students are currently enrolled in Cape Town, 6 others in Mqanduli in the Eastern Cape; while 4 students are enrolled to complete their Senior Certificate exams in 2023.

The National Development Agency (NDA) supported the ECD programme for 70 children, through the provision of special needs and multi-sensory indoor and outdoor equipment to prepare them for optimal development, independent living and schooling; rural outreach support; as well as providing 5 youth with an NQF level 5 training to the value of R224 814, 89. Children between 3 and 6 years attend the ECD centre daily and are transported at no cost from and to their homes. Children between birth and 3 years receive mostly home-based services.

Other funder organisations that have assisted LOFOB include Petro SA, Apex Hi, HCl Foundation and Business Connexion, amongst others.











Name of the CSO: Knysna Association for Persons with Disabilities (KAPD)

Registration number: NPO 005-881

Established: 1993

Location: Cnr Wing & Fontein streets, Hornlee, Knysna

Sector: Social welfare – disability

Contact: Veronique Fortune – 044 385 0126/ knysnaapd@gmail.com

NDA grant funding amount: R99 388, 30

Number of jobs created: 12

Population sector: People living with disabilities

In the past 30 years of operations, the Knysna Association for Persons with Disabilities (KAPD) has provided "a home away from home" for many vulnerable persons in Knysna and equipped them with specialist skills to produce carpentry, stenciling and sewing products which are sold to generate an income for 25 active beneficiaries. Products including furniture, dog kennels, coffins, cushions, bags and apron are made at the "Die Werkswinkel" workshop in Hornlee and sold to locals and tourists at a shop in Woodmill Lane in Knysna. KAPD also offers professional social services (Protective Workshop), upliftment programmes and support groups for parents raising children with disabilities, those recently injured, and a day care centre (The Little Angels) located close by, to provide learning and stimulation activities for children.

The NDA's grant funding amount of R99 388, 30 went towards buying operational machinery, equipment, materials as well as resources that will improve office administrative and logistics functions. Over the years, other organisations; including the Department of Social Development, The Rotary Clubs of Knysna, National Lotteries, Knysna Municipality and more established carpentry and textile businesses have also generously donated resources.

The NDA's development model is not limited to funding, but also provides various interventions for registered and non-registered civil society organisations including; mobilisation, networking, mentorship, linkages to markets for the sustainability and capacity building. Another NDA Funded project, Hand and Design Collective Primary Cooperative, has provided KAPD with crafts training including beading, ceramics and embroidery to extend product range and offerings beyond carpentry and sewing.











Name of the CSO: Hands and Design Collective Primary

Registration number: 2013/020516/24

Established: 2013

Location: 2 Noble Street Knysna Industria, Knysna **Sector:** Skills development and Income generation

Contact: Adelaide Lor - 079 930 7581/ ady.editor@gmail.com

NDA grant funding amount: R336 160,00

Number of jobs created: 16

Population sector: Women

The Hands Design Collective (HDC) is a registered primary co-operative located in the Greater Knysna municipal area that forms part of the Garden Route District in the Western Cape. The focal areas of the organisation is skills development and job creation for unemployed women within the hand craft and sewing industry. The organisation uses a methodology of centralised platforms to market and sell the diverse range of products of unemployed and self-employed women registered on their database, under the umbrella of Hands Design Collective.

Since 2012 the collective has grown to support 23 local designers. The biggest challenge that Hands and Design Collective is faced with is the job placement of women who completed their training. There are limited job placement opportunities in and around Knysna, HDC has therefore encouraged entrepreneurship and small business development to address the lack of job placement opportunities.

The NDA's grant funding has assisted HDC attain a formal registration as a skills training provider with the Quality Council for Trades & Occupation (QCTO) under the Fibre Processing and Manufacturing SETA (FP&M Seta). The organisation is now an accredited training and skills development service provider in the Garden Route District Municipality which provides training to individuals and whilst making them more employable. Six directors of the cooperative have been accredited as facilitators for the implementation of the SAQA QUAL ID 97238 Qualification Title Occupational Certificate: Sewing Machine Operator. Since, HDC has also through NDA funding provided training to 20 local beneficiaries and another 30 beneficiaries were trained utilising the cooperatives own funding.

This programme has encouraged accredited women from smaller surrounding farming areas including Keratara. Rheenendal and Corcordia with the assistance of NDA to formalise and register for funding that will be used to set them up individually with sewing start-up kits enabling them to start their own home-based businesses as well as at markets including Sedgefield Market and workshop spaces provided by the local municipality. Business development and marketing support is provided to 2 women from Rheenendal, who also received accredited sewing training from Hands design. These women are currently selling their products at the Sedgefield Market. Hands and Design Collective will provide business mentorship to a total of 31 beneficiaries, increasing their chances of success with their small start-ups.







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Name of the CSO: Laphumilanga Community Project

Registration number: 192-257 NPO

Established: 2016

Location: Tyolorha Primary School, 3878 26th Street, Thembalethu, George

Sector: Income generation (agriculture)

Contact: Mrs Merriam Phakamile - 0761618663

NDA grant funding amount: R75 000,00

Number of jobs created: 4

Population sector: Women and male

Laphumilanga Community Project (LCP) is a registered cooperative that was started, to provide the community of Thembalethu community with affordable and fresh vegetables within their own location by a group of 12 women who began planting vegetables in their own households. In 2016, they came together and formalised a cooperative to make a living for themselves and their families. As a cooperative they were able to access lease for land at Tyolorha Primary School and began their gardening and planting. They harvest water from the rain and have 7 water tanks.

Today, LCP has 4 active members and produces a variety of vegetables including cauliflower, spinach, cabbage, onion, beetroot, green pepper, mustard spinach, kale, turnips and pumpkin. The access stock is packaged for indigent households in the area, the school also assists them to identify children from poor homes that are then provided with vegetable combonations.



With the income genererated, members are able to make a gainful living for themselves, replenish items required for their operations as well as make a profit.

NDA assisted the cooperative with R75 000,00 funding to secure the fencing around the garden and a container where they store their working tools. With the seeds, the cooperative has been able to plant every season since then that they have extended their garden to another plot of land.

A big challenge for the cooperative is theft of their produce and a need for a bigger and permanent land to expatiatetheir output and expand to other markets. Laphumilanga, through NDA linkage, was able to secure a year long contract to supply 20 local community nutrition development centres (CNDCs) with weekly bundles of vegetables.









Name of the CSO: Glen Elgin Community Organisation (GECO)

Registration number: NPO 034-940

Established: 2003

Location: 10 Orchard Way, Oaks Village - Molteno Farm, Elgin (Overberg district)

Sector: Gender based violence and femicide

Contact: Ms Gaynor Diedericks 021 859 1519/ gecogaynor@gmail.com

NDA grant funding amount: R367 200.00

Number of jobs created: 34

Population sector: Vulnerable groups

Glen Elgin Community Organisation (GECO) was established to address the social ills faced by the community of Grabouw, especially youth unemployment. GECO aims at holistically empowering the community through awareness raising, capacity skills building, information sharing and enabling them to fight poverty, unemployment, HIV/ AIDS plus other social challenges affecting the community through the following programmes within its catchment area:

- Children and Families Programme
- After-school care Programme
- Elderly and Disabled Services
- Victim Empowerment Programme

GECO's mission is:

- To empower and develop communities with knowledge and skills.
- To enrich lives of senior citizens and of the youth in the community.
- To promote strengthened family relationships, through enrichment programs which includes marital support and single parenting.
- To disseminate information and conduct training in relative issues.
- To build resilience and encourage leadership within our youth.
- To ensure the community is well informed and resourced.
- To develop the capacity of communities and individuals to sustain themselves.

GECO formed part of NDA's Volunteer Programme in partnership with the National Treasury Presidential Employment Stimulus Programme over a six months period. The grant allocation over six month contractual period resulted in creating 34 work opportunities for the unemployed youth in the Grabouw area.

The volunteers focused on conducting community surveys aimed to the collection of data about the diverse GBV challenges per households within the different wards. The information will be analyzed and utilized to inform the organization on the design of specific programs which aim to address GBVF. The data collected during the months of implementation of the volunteer programme will be used as a baseline for the designing of GECO's 2023/2024 financial year projects.

Since the implementation of the volunteer programme, Glen Elgin Community Organisation has been able to reach out to more community members. The CSO was able to conduct community profiling, which allows an overview of where their services are mostly needed.











The following areas for possible programmes and projects were identified:

- Youth activities & programmes, school holiday and afterschool care programmes,
- Prevention and awareness programmes on GBVF
- Counselling services towards the healing and restoration of GBV victims
- More job creation programmes, self-employment opportunities
- Policing patrollers, Educational Programmes
- Substance abuse campaigns & Rehabilitation Programmes
- Counselling for mental health beneficiaries
- Social relief assistance
- Sports and recreational programmes
- Prayer groups
- Sexual intervention programmes, teenage pregnancy prevention sessions programmes

GECO wishes to expand its footprint and infrastructure plus continuing on its mission to empower and develop communities, enriching the lives of senior citizens and of the youth. It is of utmost importance to promote strengthened family relationships and develop the skills of the youth that it in turn produces encouragement and motivation to resilience and lead.



Salesian Institute Youth Projects

Name of the CSO: The Salesian Institute Youth Projects

Registration number: NPO 003-313

Established: 1910

Location: 2 Somerset Rd, Green Point, Cape Town **Sector:** Skills development and Income generation

Contact: Adelaide Lor - 079 930 7581/ adv.editor@gmail.com

NDA grant funding amount: R336 160,00

Population sector: Women

The Salesian Institute Youth Projects (SIYP) is a registered non-profit organisation working in the Western Cape. SIYP is part of the Salesians of Don Bosco, a Catholic religious congregation that has been working for the education and training of the youth from their premises in Greenpoint, Cape Town since 1910.

The SIYP offers a total of 4 very different and innovative programmes which cater to different ages, capacities, and industry sectors. All programmes are designed to empower, educate, and uplift with employability as the goal and it offers a component of psycho-social support and referral where necessary. One of the 4 programmes of SIYP is the Waves of Change Programme.

The Waves of Change (WOC) programme aims to increase employment amongst the atrisk youth (aged 18-35). Beneficiaries are provided with an intensive two-week Life Skills training course and referred to partner organisations for vocational training courses. The Life Skills course is an impactful intervention that many attend, even those who do not wish to pursue a career at sea. It has become a foundation programme that many people use to get back on their feet as well as reflecting and redirecting themselves in life. The Life Skills course from the Waves of Change Programme will be the foundation for the Sewing Forward project.

The NDA approved funding for The Salesian Institute Youth Projects (SIYP) to the value of R 392 106,95 for the Sewing Forward project. The project will benefit 15 unemployed women. The project includes a Sewing Course which is comprehensive in scope, not only covering the SETA requirements but offering far more in terms of working with exclusive patterns to create products for resale. The ladies move from hand sewing to machine sewing. This training is supplemented by understanding and managing budgets; costing a garment; creating an invoice, managing a bank account (income vs expenditure); understanding how to create a brand and why it is important, creating their own logo on free digital platforms and learning how to use that log to create business cards, letterheads and even brand a website, Instagram and Facebook platforms. The idea is to maximize the opportunities offered by free digital platforms where possible.

Once each student has designed her own brand for her business, SIYP will also facilitate the registration of these businesses so that the graduates may apply for further funding to support their small businesses. Each student who successfully graduates will exit the programme with a Sewing Business start-up kit which includes fabric, haberdashery, as well as a sewing machine and equipment.









Name of the CSO: Abalimi Bezekhaya

Registration number: 015-337

Established: 1982

Location: E505 Scott Street, E-Section, Khayelitsha

Sector: Income generation (Food security)

Contact: Babalwa Mpayipeli - 078 704 9775

NDA grant funding amount: R311 638.57

Number of jobs created: 35 Population sector: Women

Abalimi Bezekhaya (meaning farmers of the home in isiXhosa) is a non-profit urban-farming organisation, established in 1982. This organisation supports individuals and groups from disadvantaged communities in Cape Town through providing facilitation and training on organic food production for nutrition, health, food security and income generation.

Abalimi provides support services based on these five pillars of development:

- Training and extension services
- Access to affordable agri-resources
- Infrastructure support and soil building
- Market access support
- Social and organisational support

There are thousands of home and community gardens across the townships that grow vegetables organically for own consumption and for income generation.

Harvest of Hope (HOH) was initially established by Abalimi in 2008, but in 2023 it became independent from Abalimi and was relaunched as a farmer run initiative with its own leadership, constitution and separate financials.

HOH provides farmers with direct market access through aggregation of availability of 59 different community farmers and selling directly to customers. Vegetables are grown organically in the townships, and delivered to clients once a week. Invoices are sent out by HOH and payment is made by clients with all the funding going to the farmers and providing market access.

Abalimi Bezekhaya has been funded R311 638.57 by NDA. The funding will support five community gardens to improve production planning, record keeping and productivity through skills development, infrastructure support and creating job opportunities through local market access.

The project will have an impact on more than 50 families who will benefit either directly or indirectly from farming activities done by the farmers involved. The impact of the project will be tracked by income increase, this will be determined by the amount of income the farmers are making through their farming activities and the farmer developmental chain as means of a Sustainability Index Assessment tool (SI) which is conducted at the beginning and towards the end of the project. SI is a measuring tool that has been developed by Abalimi over the years to measure which stage a farmer is at in the developmental chain, this tool assists with determining support needed for the farmer to get to the next level in their farming activities.







DIRECTORY OF OTHER FUNDED PROJECTS IN THE WESTERN CAPE

	Project Name	Funding number	Project Location	Contact Details	Sector	Activities	Amount Approved	No. of Jobs
1.	The Labon Foundation		City of Cape Town (Bonteheuwel)			The establishment of Community Vegetable Gardens to supply CNDC with fresh vegetables and generate income for 10 beneficiaries.	R96 183,43	11
2.	Noluthando School for the Deaf		City of Cape Town (Khayelitsha)			Project objective is to enhance stimulation of children with disabilities though provision on toys and outdoor equipment.	R61 591,04	0
3.	Cape Town Society for the Blind		City of Cape Town (Observatory)			Establishment of a low vision clinic.	R558 748,05	5

	Project Name	Funding number	Project Location	Contact Details	Sector	Activities	Amount Approved	No. of Jobs
4.	Moya We Khaya Co-operative		City of Cape Town (Grassy Park)			Establishment of mushroom production for	R251 200,00	15
						income generation		
5.	Fusion Inyameko Foundation SA (FISA)		City of Cape Town (Lavender Hill and Athlone)		E	Establishment of food gardens to supply community soup kitchens in informal settlements	R98 367.50	11
6.	Peninsula School Feeding Association (PFSA)		City of Cape Town (Phillipi)			Upskilling of Food Preparers at School and Community Kitchens	R269 885.00	20
7.	Child Welfare SA		Overberg – Grabouw			Awareness programmes for youth, families and at risk mothers on GBV	R300 000,00	4



	Project Name	Funding number	Project Location	Contact Details	Sector	Activities	Amount Approved	No. of Jobs
8.	Bitou Women of Change Garden Route Plettenberg Bay		Garden Route Plettenberg Bay		All	Economic development sup- port to survivors of GBV and skills development	R300 000,00	2
9.	Hope Options Centre Calitzdorp Garden Route		Garden Route Calitzdorp			GBV awareness campaigns and educational workshops with men and fathers	R300 000,00	8
10.	FAMSA Karoo Oudtshoorn Garden Route		Garden Route Oudtshoorn			Provide awareness campaigns, therapeutic groups and legal survivor support	R300 000,00	8
11.	New World Foundation		City of Cape Town (Lavender Hill)			GBV community awareness – dialogues, support groups, career in- formation sessions.	R300 000,00	8
12.	Stellcare and District Family Services		Cape Winelands Stellenbosch			Counselling for youth including life skills and awareness, target is youth at risk	R300 000,00	6

	Project Name	Funding number	Project Location	Contact Details	Sector	Activities	Amount Approved	No. of Jobs
13.	Partners in Sexual Health	-	Central Karoo		-	Teach youth about sexual health.	R300 000,00	2
14.	Great Beginning Africa	-	City of Cape Town	-	-	GBV prevention workshops and teenage preg- nancy workshops	R300 000,00	5
15.	Hope House Counselling Centre		City of Cape Town (Kuilsrivier)			Counselling for men, women and children, aware- ness on GBV	R300 000,00	5
16.	Famsa Boland Overberg		Overberg			Counselling and awareness programmes targeting tran- sition boys to men, fatherhood programme	R300 000,00	2
17.	Centre for Communication Impact		City of Cape Town			GBV Awareness workshops	R300 000,00	0

	Project Name	Funding number	Project Location	Contact Details	Sector	Activities	Amount Approved	No. of Jobs
18.	New World Foundation		City of Cape Town (Lavender hill)			Presidential Employment Stimulus Programme.	R 408 000.00	34
19.	Lathitha Student Support Programme		City of Cape Town (Eersteriver)		-	Presidential Employment Stimulus Programme.	R 397 200.00	34
20.	Safe and Care Foundation		Central Karoo, Beaufort West			Presidential Employment Stimulus Programme.	R 397 200.00	34

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INTEREST TO PARTNER PLEDGE

I accept further correspondence from the NDA using these channels.

The Need for All Hands on Deck

The NDA's efforts are aimed at the eradication of poverty and all its causes. To achieve this vision, the NDA alone will not be able to achieve its mission of breaking the cycle of poverty. It needs all the instruments of the state, private sector and civil society working in coordinated and integrated posture to focus on those classified as poor, who reside in the fringes of developed and affluent locations of the country.

Making a dent in the war against poverty requires investments from every sector to enable the poor to fully and actively participate in creating a future they want, the quality of life they aspire to have and the South Africa they want to live in. Therefore, South Africa needs all hands on deck to achieve the vision and the expectation of citizens living in a country where hunger, poverty and hopelessness are not an everyday struggle.

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