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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.

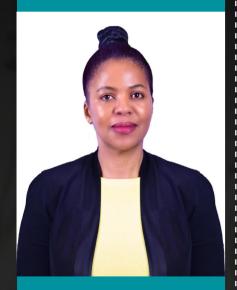
It is with elation that I report ways of empowering our communities are being investigated as a means of ensuring sustainability and a legacy that will benefit these disadvantaged communities through the cooperatives vehicle which will empower participants economically as well. I therefore call upon 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 Free State

The Free State lies in the heart of South Africa, with the Kingdom of Lesotho nestling in the hollow of its bean-like shape. Lying between the Vaal River in the north and the Orange River in the south, the region is one of flat, rolling grassland and crop fields, rising to lovely sandstone mountains in the northeast. The province is the granary of South Africa, with agriculture central to its economy, while mining on the rich goldfields reef is its largest employer.

The Free State is one of the nine provinces of South Africa and is centrally located. It represents 10.6% of the total land area of the country. It boasts wide horizons, blue skies, mountains and goldfields. The province covers an area of 129 464 km2 and is roughly the size of Nicaragua. In 2011, the province had a population of 2.7 million with four district municipalities and one metropolitan municipality. The Free State is situated on the flat, boundless plains in the centre of South Africa. It borders most of the other provinces, with the exceptions of Limpopo and the Western Cape. To the east, it has an international boundary with Lesotho nestling in the hollow of its beanlike shape, and the escarpment separates it from the Eastern Cape and Kwa-Zulu-Natal. The Orange and Vaal rivers form the southern, western and most of the northern border and the last section of the north-eastern boundary is formed by the Klip River. The western part of the Free State consists of plains, which pans as primary hydrological feature. The eastern part is mountainous. The Maluti Mountains along the border are connected to the Drakensberg on the border with KwaZulu-Natal. The province consists mainly of grasslands with some Karoo vegetation in the south.

THE FEZILE DABI DISTRICT is an important agricultural production area, mainly maize. The Vaal Dam is the main source of water and offers a wide variety of leisure facilities. Other attractions include the Vredefort Dome, which is the third largest meteorite site in the world, and San paintings. Sasolburg is the location of the country's largest chemical and synthetic fuel plant.

THE LEJWELEPUTSWA DISTRICT boasts goldfields and it is a major agricultural area. The district forms part of the larger Witwatersrand basin. The first gold was discovered in the early 1940s. Bothaville is one of the important maize centres in the country. The annual National Maize Production Organisation festival attracts more than 70 000 visitors and is the second largest private show in the world.

THE MANGAUNG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY contains the largest population and comprises mainly of open grassland, with mountains in the most eastern region. The main urban centre is Bloemfontein. The city is the trade and administrative hub of the Free State and boasts the provincial government and the seat of the Appeal Court of South Africa. It also has a rich history, which includes the establishment of the African National Congress in 1912 and the National Party in 1914.

THE THABO MOFUTSANYANA DISTRICT borders Lesotho to the east and has beautiful hills and fruit farms. The district is one of the most important tourism destinations due to spectacular scenic beauty of the Drakensberg and Maluti mountain ranges. Other attractions include the Golden Gate Highland Park, the annual cherry festival at Ficksburg, a Basotho cultural village in Maluti-a-Phofung, and Khoisan rock paintings.

THE XHARIEP DISTRICT is located in the south-west of the province and is a semi-arid area with extensive farming, mainly sheep. The district comprises of open grasslands with small wide dispersed towns. The Xhariep Dam is one of the tourists' attractions. It offers a variety of leisure facilities.

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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 Itumeleng Kwenane NDA Free State Provincial Manager

South Africa is touted to be one of the most unequal societies in the world. This is the result of the legacies of state sponsored under-development program since the start of the Republic. Despite many interventions by government since the dawn of democracy in South Africa in 1994, poverty and underdevelopment continues to define the lives of many in the country. South Africa is a signatory of many progressive international commitments, the most prominent of which is the Sustainable Development Goals (previously, Millennium Development Goals).

Similar to the rest of the country, the Free State province is still plagued with socio-economic disparities. The National Development Plans' Diagnostic Report (NDP; 2012) put in stark terms the state of South Africa amongst others were that; too few people worked, there were poor education outcomes; infrastructure was inadequate and under-maintained; public services and public health were under strain; South Africa remained a highly divided society.

The NDA's response to poverty, unemployment and inequality in the Free State province is underpinned by the NDA's mandate, which requires the Agency to build and enhance the capacities of CSOs through proper assessments and effectively executed capacity-building interventions to strengthen operational excellence and sustainability to better deliver services to poor communities. The NDA has therefore adopted a service delivery model seeking to decentralise its programs and services at a district level and also align with objectives of the District Development Model.

The thrust of the NDA CSO Development Framework aims at evidence-based interventions that stems from the CSOs and the communities. The focus areas of the NDA are:

- Income Generating initiatives
- Food Security
- Institutional Capacity Building
- CSO Volunteer Program
- Gender Based Violence & Femicide (through CARA)
- Resource Mobilisation

### **Summary of achievements in the Free State:**

- Over 400 CSOs have been assessed to determine interventions to be made during CSO mobilisation;
- Over 348 CSOs have undergone organisational management training in the following interventions NPO Governance, Finance
- Management, Project Management, Resource Mobilisation and Conflict Management in conjunction with amongst others DSD, Hope Worldwide and others;
- Over 257 (of which 52 were from the Presidential Stimulus Program additional 77 commenced in May 2023) work opportunities has been achieved with beneficiaries mainly being the youth.
- In addition, through the victim empowerment (CARA) program, **114 jobs** have been sustained and created.
- CSOs (NPOs and co-operatives) have been assisted with

referrals and resource mobilisation to gain market access and resources to the CSO at more than **R 4,8 million**. The mobilisation of resources from donors and grant funders was conducted in collaboration with government departments SASSA, National Lotteries Commission and others.

As the provincial team, we continue to strive towards supporting CSOs whose programmes are geared towards poverty eradication and the importance of job creation for the achievement of sustainable livelihoods in communities.

### Mr Itumeleng Kwenane NDA Free State Provincial Manager



## Name of the CSO: Access 2 Success Primary Co-operative

Registration number: 2019 / 011142 / 24

Established: 2021

Location: Welkom, Ward 14, Matjhabeng Local Municipality, Lejweleputswa District,

Free State

Project type: Income generation (Vegetables and Brick manufacturing)

Contact Person: Ms Elisa Nziweni on 073 221 8636 / Lisanziweni332@gmail.com

NDA grant funding: R 270 612,50 Number of jobs created: 19

Population sector: Women Empowerment

Access 2 Success is a primary co-operative registered in 2019, operating in the Free State township of Jerusalem Park in Thabong, next to Welkom. The area is part of the Matjhabeng Local Municipality, which is one of the five local municipalities that form the Leiweleputswa District.

The organisation is run by 4 women who were unable to, individually, secure employment opportunities. In 2015, they identified and started a two-pronged operation consisting of exclusively organic vegetable production method of permaculture, as well as hollow brick production for fencing and building of private homes by community members – after identifying and clearing a site used for dumping and using their own member contributions. The permaculture method saves money – it uses available resources, saves water, helps to maintain, and improve good quality soil for production and helps improve health by producing organic vegetables.

Currently, the project employs 19 workers, 15 of whom are paid per month through the EPWP stipend agreement which has run for a year and extended to April 2023. The other 4 workers are paid from the organisation's proceeds. They all participate in activities including trench and land preparation, planting and harvesting as well as brick-making, packing and selling. The co-operative makes 150 bricks per day that are sold at R10.00 per brick for hollow and paving types – they will venture into diamond and plaster bricks soon. Most importantly, the co-operative is undergoing testing by the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) which will place their product in a premier league. The Small Enterprise Development Agency (SEDA) is assisting with this professionalization of the enterprise through a linkage by the National Development Agency (NDA).

The NDA's funding of R 270 612,50 contributed towards acquiring a sink borehole, 5 000l Jojo tank for the preserving of water, a generator to power a borehole, the constructing of a fence for security purposes, crusher and mixing machinery and trained members in financial management.

The co-operative recently built a small office which also operates as a storage. Harmony Gold Mine donated 5 mini tunnels for expansion of the open air food garden. The Department of Social Development has provided planting implements. Department of Environment, Tourism and Economic Affairs funded the cooperative with R50 000,00 which went towards purchase of a brick-making machine and the Department of Agriculture assisted with relief funds following recent rainstorms.

Thabong, Welkom is a declining mining township, with declining economic opportunities, high levels of poverty, a lack of access to affordable nutritious vegetables, a lack of service delivery and the accumulation of illegal dumping sites. The co-operative is addressing the lack of employment and income for its members.









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### Heidedal Child and Youth Care Centre



### Name of the CSO: Heidedal Child and Youth Care Centre

Registration number: NPO 027-279

Established: 1985

Location: Heidedal, Bloemfontein, Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality

Project type: Volunteer programme

Contact person: Ms Caroline Mafungu - 076 493 1144

**Project type:** Volunteer programme **NDA grant funding:** R 200 000,00

Number of jobs created: 10 Population sector: Youth

Heidedal Child and Youth Care Centre (HCYCC) is a National Development Agency (NDA) beneficiary of the R 30 million allocated from the Presidential Employment Stimulus Package for youth job creation in South Africa. In response to Covid-19 pandemic, NDA's implementation strategy of the Volunteer Programme partners with civil society organisations (CSOs) aligns with the NDA mandate to build the capacity of CSOs to provide projects and programmes that eradicate poverty in communities.

HCYCC youth volunteers, 9 males and 1 female, were placed at the Department of Social Development (DSD), South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) and South African Post Office (SAPO) pay points, Boxer and Shoprite stores in and around Bloemfontein locations to manage social distancing protocols and lessen Covid-19 negative effects as these were identified as mass gathering areas – particularly for the elderly, disabled, women and children.

Ms Stokkie Stoffels, 24 years old, was raised and still resides at the HCYCC. She is an Assistant Teacher in the early childhood development (ECD) within the centre where she earns a stipend of R1200,00 a month. She is one of the 10 youth beneficiaries that took part in 10 months the NDA Volunteer Programme job creation programme earning R1500,00 p.m stipend. "The opportunity helped me a lot to develop myself and improve my self-esteem. My future plans are to become a Teacher, after rewriting my Matric next year. I appreciate the experience from the programme, not only did it improve my livelihood but it has opened my eyes to opportunities available to the youth out there".

"It was an honour to serve the community. I grew, I learnt some Sesotho which is a skill I can take with me. I understand team work, communication skills and I am more confident in myself. I will be able to use what I learnt in the future, it will also be good for my CV as I look for a job. The money helped me a lot, as I was unemployed, I was able to do things for myself which I which I previously had to rely on other people for". Leon Stander, 22 years old – HCYCC





# The lang Disability Holls

### Name of the CSO: Phelang Disability School

Registration number: NPO 170-373

Established: 2016

Location: Pelindaba, Bloemfontein, Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality

Project type: Disability programme

Contact person: Ms Motlalepule Motlolometsi – 083 497 0005

NDA grant funding: R84 897.95

**Number of jobs created:** 4 (four care givers, Administrator, Cook and Matron)

Population sector: Children with Cerebral Palsv

Phelang Disability School (PDS) started when a need for a place that would serve as a support system for parents struggling to find help and services to cater to children born with Cerebral Palsy. Previously run by parents who would alternate, the founder decided to formalise the service, to register and employ trained staff.

PDS focuses on child holistic stimulation and therapy programmes for 15 children on week days in line with a monitored programme managed by the Department of Edu-

cation. The children are prepared and assisted with skills that make them eligible for occupation in Special Schools, in accordance with their abilities.

The success of the School is a result of linkages they have established, including a partnership with University of Free State who offer students to render physiotherapy services to the children once a month. The local Pelindaba Clinic provides occupational care services and routine health checks for the children. Children are also referred to the School by the Clinic. A flourishing partnership with Tswellang Public Disability School and Pholoho Special School also helps with the placement and allocation of children towards appropriate care. Children who graduate from Phelang are placed at these schools.

PDS hosts an annual Awareness Campaign Day, inviting the community and various sector stakeholders to highlight and educate the community, especially parents, about services available to support children with Cerebral Palsy. The main aim of the awareness is to deal with the general challenges faced by people with disabilities as well as problems brought about by their non-inclusion.

The National Development Agency (NDA) funding assisted with upgrading the children's stimulation programme by purchasing relevant equipment for therapy and stimulus programmes. These included a therapy table, standing and walking frames, mats, rollers, bean bags, pool and exercise balls. The School operates on school fees paid, SASSA grants and the Department of Social Development's subsidies. They have a challenge with scholar transport for the children as well as a need for a bigger space to better cater for the children. There is also a need for formal training for the caregivers.





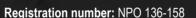




Amohelang Day Care Centre



### Name of the CSO: Amohelang Day Care



Established: 2014

Location: Phase 9, Bloemfontein, Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality

**Project type:** Early Childhood Development Centre **Contact person:** Mrs Mamokete Tukula – 071 789 4911

NDA grant funding: R40 365.00

Number of jobs created: 5 (Centre Manager, 2 ECD Practitioners, Cook

and Gardener)

Population sector: Children





Amohelang Day Care is an early childhood development (ECD) centre located in the informal settlement of Phase 9, Bloemfontein. The area is characterised by high levels of poverty and unemployment – most of the 37 enrolled children are reliant on the South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) and Department of Social Development (DSD) conditional grants. The ECD focuses on inclusive protection, care and holistic NCF curriculum development of babies and pre-school children, on land provided for by the local municipality. The ECD serves as a feeder to Lekgonne and Relebelletse Primary Schools. Formerly operating from a shack, the ECD has raised funds to build a two room building that serve as classrooms. Grant funding from National Development Agency (NDA) assisted with the roofing of the two rooms, a fence around the premises as well as learning materials. Through a linkage by the NDA with Hope World Wide South Africa, the ECD will receive assistance with regular meals for the duration of a year.

Future requirement needed to strengthen the ECD include training of ECD Practitioners, class room for pre - Grade R's, kitchen and matrasses.

"I am proud of what the ECD has accomplished thus far. Our children also come highly recommended with the Primary schools in the area. We wish to grow in the future and are thankful to the NDA, who put us in a position to access more funding in the future through the improvement of the ECD," – Mme Mamokete Tutula, Matron







# Batho Ba Lerato Advice Centre

### Name of the CSO: Batho ba Lerato Advise Centre

Registration number: NPO 025-767

Established: 2007

Location: Thaba Nchu, Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality
Project type: Gender Based Violence and Femicide (CARA)

Contact person: Mrs Lerato Moeng 073 406 8284 / bathobalerato@gmail.com

NDA grant funding: R300 000,00

Number of jobs created: 6 (2 Paralegals, 4 Admins)

Population sector: Vulnerable group

Batho Ba Lerato Advice Centre targets beneficiaries including the most vulnerable persons in communities as defined by the South African Human Rights Commission.

### This category of persons includes:

- Women in vulnerable situations exposed to violence and abuse including domestic violence:
- Children in vulnerable situations exposed to violence and abuse including domestic violence as well as child-headed households:
- Rural and Urban poor communities;
- Farm workers and farm dwellers:
- People affected by HIV/AIDS; and
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersexes (LGBTQIA+) communities

The organisation received R300 000.00 grant funding from the National Development Agency (NDA) to implement the GBVF programme, responding to increased reporting of cases when lockdown restrictions were announced at the height of Covid -19 pandemic. The CSO implemented a number of engagements with identified victims including awareness workshops against abuse and to empower people with disabilities to know their rights. The workshops deployed various communication methods, including song and drama; focusing on group discussions in relation to intimate partner violence and domestic violence perpetrated against immigrant women from Lesotho. The funding enabled the organisation to employ 2 Paralegals and 4 Field Workers.

Through Batho ba Lerato's existing legal aid access to justice services, the organisation runs free law clinic sessions on human rights and is advisory to GBFV beneficiaries on the application of processes for protection orders, divorces and custody settlements. They also assist victims to find alternate accommodation where safety is a concern as well as other support services including mediations services. The organisation works hand in hand with other stakeholders including Social Development, South Africa Police Services, University of Free State Law Clinic, Courts, Clinics and Home Affairs to offer a holistic service.

"Batho ba Lerato is a beacon of hope that aims to let the public know that justice is possible for both survivors and perpetrators of GBVF – we offer mediation for all parties to reach the best solutions which include skills development and capacity building so that they help and advance themselves. We also offer free will drafting services. Through our interventions, Law Clinics are showing improvement in rankings in the Mangaung District – backlog gaps are slowly closing," says Mrs Lerato Moeng, Programme Manager at Batho ba Lerato Advisory Centre. The Provincial Manager for the NDA in the Free State posits that, "The main reason for funding Batho ba Lerato was to increase the access to paralegal services for survivors of gender based violence and femicide







including ensuring the resolution of disputes and building resilience amongst the CSO's clientele for self-reliance through the skills development."

Persons who wish to access services from Batho ba Lerato can contact: Programme Manager, Mrs Lerato Moeng on 073 406 8284 (WhatsApp enabled) / bathobalerato@gmail.com during week days.

As an agency of government that has the responsibility of contributing towards the eradication of poverty in South Africa and its causes, the NDA in discharging its mandate, has to empower and enhance the capacity of the civil society sector. This will ensure that the NDA helps to build more cohesive communities that are able to tackle the triple threat of poverty, unemployment and inequality.



### Ikemisetseng Agricultural Cooperative





Name of the CSO: Ikemisetseng Agricultural Cooperative

Registration number: 2010/00425/24

Established: 2007

Location: Tweefontein Village, Thaba Nchu, Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality

Project type: Income generation (agriculture)
Contact person: Mr Mamkeli 083 552 6741

NDA grant funding: R 71 222,13

Number of jobs created: 7

Population sector: Women, Youth & Men

Ikemisetseng Construction and Multipurpose is located in a remote village called Tweefontein, approximately 30km from Thaba Nchu in the Free State under the Mangaung Metro. The cooperative was officially registered as a legal entity in 2010, with the assistance of Small Enterprise Development Agency (SEDA). The cooperative has a total number of 7 members comprising of 5 women and 2 men, 5 of whom are youth.

Ikemisetseng received a 50-hectare piece of land from the Barolong tribal authority. The project is planting vegetables on a portion of the land, which is approximately a hectare and a half. The remaining piece of land has been laying fallow due to limited resources. The project was previously contracted by the Department of Social Development to supply the CNDCs in Botshabelo and Thaba Nchu with vegetables. The project was badly affected by COVID-19 because they lost their main market which was the CNDCs, as a result of the regulations the CNDCs ceased to operate, and when the regulations were finally eased the contract was terminated.

The organisation was registered as secondary cooperative, to form part of the Farmer Production Support Unit, by the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform. Through the secondary cooperative the project is able to rent production inputs at a fraction which allows them to expand and produce a greater quantity. Parallel to the NDA funding and the Department of Rural Development, the organisation received funding from the Department of Agriculture for the erection of a shade net tunnel and an irrigation system.

In 2011 Ikemisetseng, won the Best Nutritional Cooperative Competition, under food security by the Department of Agriculture and was awarded a prize of R50 000,00. In 2013 the organisation won the competition of, Women in Water by the Department of Water Affairs under water conservation. They were awarded a prize of R50 000,00. The Cooperative entered and won a competition for Best Female Farmers in 2015, they competed at a District level and was awarded R15 000,00 cash prize, they further competed at the National Level where they won R36 000,00 in cash. Through these competitions the cooperative managed to purchase a vehicle for deliveries and other organisational needs.







# Setshabelo Penally & Gillel Sarvices Reggings 1939-1939-1939

### Name of the CSO: Setshabelo Child & Family Welfare

Registration number: 135 492 NPO

Location: Botshabelo, Bloemfontein, Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality

**Project type:** Gender Based Violence and Femicide (CARA)

Contact person: Mrs Keabetsoe Sekoboto - 051 531 9001 • info@sasfcs.org.za

NDA grant funding: R300 000,00

Population sector: Families, Child Services and GBV&F

Setshabelo Family and Child Welfare Services (SFCWS) is the first black-owned adoption agency in South Africa. It also offers walk-in community programmes that assist survivors of gender based violence and femicide. It recently received R300 000,00 grant from the National Development Agency to provide victim empowerment services at two police stations within Botshabelo where they assist survivors with social workers' interventions including trauma counselling, debriefing, and screening for social workers' reporting. Additionally, they provide a 24hr Helpline for victims and survivors, psychosocial support services, trauma counselling for victims/survivors of sexual violence and their families (mostly children). Referrals of victims to healthcare, justice, and legal aid and economic empowerment assistance and programmes are also offered.

Awareness/Advocacy : 32 Awareness campaign -290 beneficiaries

Counselling : 188
Referrals : 86
Workshops : 12













Name of the CSO: Zamdela Agricultural and Multi-Purpose Primary Co-operative

Registration number: 2016/011838/24

Established: 2012

Location: Zamdela, Sasolburg

**Project type:** Income generation (Poultry Production [broilers and layers]) **Contact person:** Mrs Dimakatso Hlahane – 083 610 9991/061 623 7910 /

zamdelaprimcoop@gmail.com

NDA grant funding: R 216 145.17 Number of jobs created: 13

Population sector: Women

Zamdela Agricultural and Multi-Purpose Primary Co-operative is a small scale poultry producing enterprise based in Zamdela-Sasolburg. It focuses on the hatching and sales of day old chicks, rearing and sales of 5-6 weeks fully grown chicken as well as processing and the distribution of chicken products. NDA supports this project because it contributes to the broader mandate of contributing to poverty eradication by targeting beneficiaries from disadvantaged backgrounds ensuring that the community is food secure as well as ensuring the local economic and women empowerment development.

NDA's grant funding of R 216 145.17 purchased project related equipment including an egg grading machine, 100 Hyline Brown layers (11 Weeks Old), feeding pellets, a combo-incubator and hatcher, cages, a Jojo tank, a poultry house structure with a 700 chicken capacity, amongst other project related equipment procured. This raises the profile of the cooperative to compete as a producer in the area and increases their income potential by selling to formal and informal markets. Zamdela has been able to upscale production from 200 chickens per cycle to 700 chickens. The growth has enabled the employment of two more persons from the community.

The cooperative is run by a group of 11 passionate first generation entrepreneurs who each contributed R500,00 as start-up capital. They possess vast experience in the poultry production sector. The group underwent trainings on basic business and basic financial management provided by the Small Enterprise Development Agency (SEDA). The Department of Rural Development and Land Reform (DRDLR) also trained these cooperative members on Basic Broiler Production training offered over a duration of 10 days. Furthermore, they also were offered another capacity building training on Applying Marketing Principles in Agriculture. The Free State Department of Economic Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs (DESTEA) also assisted with acquisition of capital, assets and stock.









Mandela Community Nutrition
Development Centre





Name of the CSO: Mandela Community Nutrition Development Centre

Registration number: NPO 189 091

Established: 2015

Location: Edenville, Nawathe LM-Fezile Dabi District

Project type: Food Security

Contact person: Mrs Josephine Nkomo Cell: 078 639 9333

email: mantsadimaria661@gmail.com

NDA grant funding: R 53 033.89

Number of jobs created: 12 (8 Full time, 4 volunteers)

Population sector: Women

Mandela Community Nutrition and Development Centre (CNDC) is operated by 8 women who grouped themselves to respond to poverty challenges affecting the destitute and vulnerable people and children within Edenville Township.

The food security project manages food gardens and vegetable production that culminates into a daily feeding scheme for up to 70 persons on week days. They also empower unemployed beneficiaries with handiwork skills including; needle work, beadwork, making decorative mats using the plastic material, the use of a sewing machine and knitting in assisting them to be engaged in self-help projects that will employ them and generate an income.

The project's implementation team consists of 8 full time staff members and additional 4 volunteers appointed to assist on the day-to-day operations at the centre.

The NDA's grant funding contributed to gardening equipment including vegetable seeds, shade net material for the establishment of the vegetable garden, a sewing machine and a freezer to ensure proper storage of the food, therefore ensuring optimal performance and output of vegetables production, which would in return ensure food security within the CNDC.

"The funding from the NDA assisted our programme a lot. We were able to strengthen the feeding scheme that operates from Monday to Friday with regular fresh vegetables. We were able to give our beneficiaries seedlings to start gardens at home so they can feed themselves over the weekends. The sewing machine and material have assisted us in generating an income for the CNDC and beneficiaries. I really urge other CSOs and CNDCs to apply to extend their reach" says Mrs Josephine Nkomo, Manager at Mandela Community Nutrition and Development Centre.







### DIRECTORY OF OTHER FUNDED PROJECTS IN FREE STATE

|    | Project Name                                   | Funding<br>number                  | Project<br>Location                | Contact<br>Details   | Sector                    | Activities   | Amount<br>Approved | No. of<br>Jobs                    |
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| 1. | Khalaki Poultry<br>Cooperative                 | 0103741 / CIPC -<br>2015/007498124 | Mangaung<br>Metro/<br>Bloemfontein | 13645 Phase 6<br>Bloemfontein<br>Ms Nkemeleng<br>Mbhele<br>Cell:<br>078 554 9596<br>Email : Nkeme-<br>lengmbhele@<br>gmail.com             | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion | The organisation farms with chicken, focusing mainly on broilers. The members sell both live and slaughtered chickens to the community and to the employees of the local schools, as well as to members of their congregation.                   | R58 266.27         | 5                                 |
| 2. | Mohato Ka<br>Mohato Sewing &<br>Design Primary | 0103813                            | Xhariep/<br>Jagersfontein          | 8 Third Avenue,<br>Charlesville<br>Jagersfontein<br>9974<br>mohatokamohato<br>sewing@<br>gmail.com<br>Ms Agnes<br>Mnyakama<br>073 130 8279 | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion | The core business of the cooperative is design and sewing of traditional dresses, School Uniform alterations and mending of clothes, as well as cut-make and trim. They do dress making, curtains, covers, school uniform, and graduation gowns. | R99 549.98         | 5<br>permanent<br>2<br>volunteers |

|    | Project Name   | Funding number | Project<br>Location        | Contact<br>Details   | Sector                    | Activities  | Amount<br>Approved | No. of<br>Jobs |
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| 3. | My Agri Partners<br>Primary<br>Co-operative                            | 0103814        | Fezile Dabi                | Camp 1, Villiers<br>Lehlohonolo<br>Hlalele<br>Cell:0769761039<br>Email:<br>hlaleleworst@<br>gmail.com                                | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion | An agri-business focusing mainly on piggery Production-Landrace and large white. Their market is the local community.   | R47 316.15         | 5              |
| 4. | MCMs Upholstery and Projects Primary Co-operative Co-operative Limited | 211217         | Fezile Dabi /<br>Kroonstad | 1362 Manis<br>Street,<br>Seeisoville-<br>Kroonstad<br>Mpho Lethoba<br>Cell:0736496248<br>Email:<br>mcms.<br>upholstery<br>@gmail.com | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion | This is a business with the core business on upholstery of furniture and automobile interiors and seats, i.e. traditional upholstery, commercial upholstery, automobile upholstery, automobile upholstery, repairs and maintenance including refurbishment, rehabilitation and conversion of furniture as well as automobile seats and linings to more valuable coverings and comfort substance (e.g. from cloth to leather). Manufacturing of small furniture items such as bed pedestals, coffee tables, chairs and couches | R 738 818.70       | 5              |

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| 5. | Lesang Bana<br>Batle Honna<br>Creche | 211216         | Fezile Dabi/<br>Parys     | 7212 Sisulu<br>Section, Parys<br>Rachel Sehume<br>Cell:<br>0633484730<br>Email:<br>sehumera-<br>chel88@gmail.<br>com    | ECD                        | The ECD project develops children holistically, that is; physically, cognitively and emotionally from 0-7 years, ready to join mainstream school. | R 64 911.72        | 4              |
| 6. | Ahanang CNDC                         | 20903          | Fezile Dabi/<br>Kroonstad | 16445 Koekoe<br>Village-Maokeng<br>Kroonstad<br>Kate Phohledi<br>Cell:<br>0836135800<br>Email: 047ask.<br>npo@gmail.com | CNDC<br>(food<br>security) | Community Nutrition Provision and Community Development, veg- etables production and handiworks   | R 94057.37         | 11             |
| 7. | Phomolong Day<br>Care Centre         | 0103604        | Fezile Dabi/<br>Frankfort | 6358 Phomolong<br>Section-Frankfort<br>Maria Ntombela<br>Cell:0616930940<br>Email:<br>phomolongday-<br>care@gmail.com   | ECD                        | The ECD project develops children holistically, that is; physically, cognitively and emotionally from 0-7 years, ready to join mainstream school. | R 73 583.18        | 5              |

|    | Project Name  | Funding<br>number      | Project<br>Location        | Contact<br>Details  | Sector                     | Activities   | Amount<br>Approved | No. of<br>Jobs |
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| 8. | Boikitlateso<br>Multipurpose<br>Primary<br>Co-operative | 0103602                | Fezile Dabi/<br>Heilbron   | 451 Monyele<br>Street, Heilbron<br>Alina Pule<br>Cell:0659557420<br>Email: boikitlaet-<br>sompp@gmail.<br>com | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion  | Cooperatives undertake the sewing of school uniforms, embroi- dery and design of textile clothing  | R 223 995.19       | 6              |
| 9. | Bomme Ba<br>Boithatelo Bo<br>Botle CNDC                 | 0103815<br>198-456 NPO | Lejweleputswa/<br>Virginia | 2671 Stilte Park Meloding Virginia  Ms. Pulane Molale Cell: 081 820 3598  Email: pulanemo- lale140@gmail. com | CNDC<br>(food<br>security) | The organisation is a community development and Nutrition Centre (CNDC) which provides meals to the vulnerable members of the community. Developing and encouraging its beneficiaries to take part in some of the programmes available, which includes planting and maintaining the vegetable garden for the purpose of food security, enabling access to nutritious vegetables. | R 88 665,98        | 16             |

|     | Project Name                                       | Funding<br>number         | Project<br>Location                     | Contact<br>Details  | Sector                    | Activities   | Amount<br>Approved | No. of<br>Jobs |
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| 10. | Makhoa Sedibeng<br>Help Centre                     | 0103739<br>138-508 (NPO)  | Thabo Mo-<br>futsanyana/<br>Fouriesburg | 1470 Dipelaneng<br>Mashaeng Town-<br>ship Fouriesburg<br>9725<br>Matenteber-<br>nice650@gmail.<br>com | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion | The project is a CNDC that serves meals to the poor members of Mashaeng community in Fouriesburg. They have started a sewing project as a development leg for their beneficiaries. | R289 888,61        | 10             |
| 11. | Born To Farm<br>Primary<br>Co-operative<br>Limited | 0103816<br>2014/011971/24 | Thabo Mo-<br>futsanyana/<br>Memel       | 1930 ZAMANI<br>LOCATION,<br>MEMEL, 2970<br>Mxolisimazibu-<br>ko111@gmail.<br>com                      | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion | The organization farms with crops, mainly maize. They are based at Memel but they operate at Pronklaagte Farm, approximately 30 kilometers from Memel.                             | R202 135,02        | 07             |
| 12. | Ntsoanatsatsi<br>Educare Trust                     | 0103740<br>006-520 (NPO)  | Thabo<br>Mofutsanyana/<br>Qwaqwa        | 1070 Mahanke<br>Street Beirut<br>Phuthaditjhaba<br>katemolefe6<br>@gmail.com                          | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion | The organization runs an OVC program. They have started a garden at the centre where they cultivate vegetables and sell them to the community and retailers.                       | R401 421,78        | 10             |

|     | Project Name       | Funding<br>number         | Project<br>Location                      | Contact<br>Details  | Sector                    | Activities   | Amount<br>Approved                                    | No. of<br>Jobs   |
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| 13. | Reddersburg<br>MPC | 0103608                   | Xhariep/<br>Reddersburg                  | Fairview Farm Reddersburg 9904  reddersburgm4 @gmail.com  Ms. Manini Matshengu 0783489692 | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion | The core business of the cooperative is design and sewing of traditional dresses, School Uniform alterations and the mending of clothes, as well as cut-make and trim. They do dress making, curtains, covers, school uniform, and graduation gowns. | Initial:<br>R626,492,41<br>Variance:<br>R69,096,61    | 7<br>1<br>Intern |
| 14. | MCVA               | 0103607<br>2013/019646/24 | Thabo<br>Mofutsanyana/<br>Qwaqwa/Kestell | 1293 Bolata<br>Theosane<br>Witsieshoek<br>9870<br>mavusoagri<br>@gmail.com                | Income<br>Genera-<br>tion | The organization farms with crops, mainly potatoes. They sell their harvest and make profit from that. They operate at Thaba Bosiu in Qwaqwa and at Kestell farm.  | Initial:<br>R1,147,056,90<br>Variance:<br>R368,430,90 | 7                |



### INTEREST TO PARTNER PLEDGE

#### 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.

#### INTEREST TO PLEDGE

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| Mobilization and assessment Formalisation Capacity-building interventions Grant Funding & investments Linkages to markets Follow up meeting Mentorship |                               |                  |                                   |
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