

Newsletter



IKHAYA LABANTU
CARE HOME

Caring for frail & disabled people

★ Kilometers, prayers, donations - and 365x24h of hard-working care

As we head towards the end of the year, we look back and we are grateful: first and foremost that we have been able to continue to provide 24h care to our 30+ residents, providing for their needs, sharing in their humanity and upholding their dignity.

Many people have made this possible: our Staff, our Management team, our Board – as well as friends and supports of Ikhaya Labantu, volunteers, named and unnamed pray-ers, do-ers and donors. To all of you we say Thank You! *You* have kept food on our residents' plates, have kept the lights on and have been the wind in our backs that encourages us to keep doing what we're doing. Thank you!

Ikhaya Labantu Management Team & Board

Fire-Ready!!!



In our desire to maintain a safe and secure environment for our residents, our Fire Emergency Response team has been trained and mobilised. Ransom Safety Consultants trained the Team who will ensure that we are ready to manage a fire, and more importantly, to pre-empt the occurrence of such a disaster. It is through the support, prayers and efforts of the Friends of Ikhaya Labantu that we manage to improve our services, and ensure that we continue to operate in a safe and compliant manner.

UpSkillling!



In early October we met with Panny Shomang of the Robin Trust's Homebased Care College, to explore ways of providing additional training to our carers. - Robin Trust is a long-established non-profit organisation, delivering excellent nursing and home-based care in the Cape Town area, and this potential partnership promises to benefit our caregivers, translating into better care for our residents. Management is focused on developing an active approach to caregiving, which includes a growing focus on pastoral and psycho-social care.

World wide web of support



In **Germany**, Johanna Hansel (*centre, with dark T-shirt*) and her brother Jakob (*2nd from left*) sold a lot of their childhood toys at a flea market in their home-town of Unna. In the process they raised over R3.600 for Ikhaya Labantu. Separately, Johanna's friend Helene sold used computer components from her dad's company and donated nearly R6.000 to Ikhaya Labantu. Wow!

And from **Australia**, Roger Curran built our very own website! Check it out at ikhayalabantu.org.za. We still want to expand it with more content and pics, but right now it's fully online, and available for viewing and referring friends and family and interested parties to.

A special thanks, too, to Mikrotik Networks SA, who not only provide our internet connection, but are now hosting our website, too. Thank you!

Carers' corner



Nomsa Memani has been working at Ikhaya Labantu for the past 5 years. She strives to show courage in all circumstances, and insists on using her time in the most helpful manner possible. She is positively impacting the lives of residents, and of her fellow caregivers, as she assumes responsibility for their well-being in multiple way.

Residents' corner



Makhosandile Toto is one of our longtime residents. He was homeless prior to his arrival at Ikhaya Labantu. He has been a resident at the facility for the past 5 years. Toto is known for his infectious smile. He is a gentle presence in the facility and enjoys admiring the garden. We are trying to assist him to acquire Identity documentation.

Facility Upgrade Plan

The Board has embarked on an ambitious plan to upgrade the Ikhaya Labantu facilities. We received a substantial injection of funds earlier in the year, which are being channeled towards upgrading the buildings and bringing them closer to the standards which we aspire to. Thus far, we have replaced a solar water panel, to ensure that the residents have access to warm water. Currently, our electrical system is being upgraded to a point of full compliance. These projects will also have the long term benefit of a lowering our electricity bill. - Such important milestones to end the year on a high on!



As always, please be reminded that you can also support ikhaya Labantu towards better pay for our carers and staff, more nourishing food for the residents, as well as upkeep of the buildings. Or with your time and expertise to help with a number of practical tasks that need extra hands, You could cover the shortfall between what each resident contributes from their social grant, and what it costs to care for them - All financial donations are TAX DEDUCTIBLE, Section 18A certificates can be issued.



Ikhaya Labantu Homeless Shelter

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First National Bank (FNB)
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*Did you notice our new logo??
We hope you like it as much as we do 😊!!*

Donations can also be made to:

Jubilee Charitable Trust
Standard Bank
Acc.No. 240429672
Branch code: 051001
Reference: Name + Ikhaya



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Thank you for your prayers, care and support.