# **NOUPOORT** NEWSLETTER



### POULTRY AND EGG FARMS GET A BOOST

**Fikile Maliti and Aphelele Ndesi**, two local farmers in Noupoort, are taking the lessons learnt during an Enterprise Development Programme, to grow their poultry and egg laying business.

These two community entrepreneurs graduated from an Enterprise Development Programme that was funded by Noupoort Wind Farm last year and are already reaping the benefits. **The programme began in 2016** and continues to benefit local entrepreneurs who wish to get new businesses off the ground as well as existing businesses that need additional skills.

Fikile Maliti supplies the local community of Noupoort, as well as Middelburg and Colesburg. The sponsorship has given Fikile a tremendous grounding and a boost for his business, through technical knowledge and skills improvement. The theoretical understanding has boosted his confidence to grow his business.



Aphelele Ndesi has managed to expand his business to supply chickens to the local informal sector and public in Noupoort as well as further afield.

# SUPPORTING NOUPOORT'S LOCAL HAT MAKING BUSINESS



**Ntombi Mosoane has realised her dream of designing beautiful hats.** This Noupoort resident, was funded by Noupoort Wind Farm to attend a hat making courses in Pretoria West last year and to attend a business development programme.

"Her hats are now being sold to stylish members of her community as well as local churches in Noupoort and outlying areas of De Aar, Colesburg, Hanover and Middelburg."

She has also recently received orders from as far afield as Kimberley, giving her the opportunity to expand her business and reputation as a milliner.

The funding from Noupoort Wind Farm ensured that she has the necessary equipment needed in this specialist craft, as well as the necessary business skills and training. Ntombi was taught how to cost her materials and price the products accordingly. She found that knowing how to market her product was the most valuable.





## INCLUSIVE **NEIGHBOURHOOD SPACES**



Young people from different youth groups and sports clubs in Noupoort participated in an **Inclusive Neighbourhood Spaces Programme** to help bring about local community change.

"This voluntary programme helps develop skills such as communication, accountability, leadership, project planning, community mobilization, peace and conflict resolution."

The young people, who have graduated as Inclusive Neighbourhood Spaces volunteers, are now better equipped to take on basic community problems and begin solving them,

making use of newly acquired skills, to bring about personal development, community impact and active citizenship.

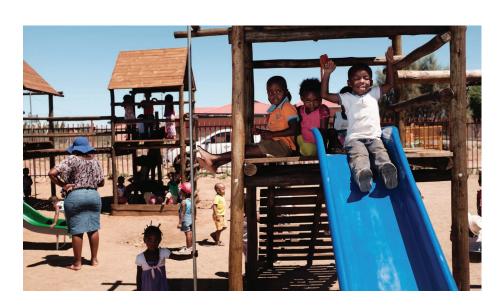
This training has also helped participants understand the concept of active citizenship. They learnt about sustainable development goals and how to link them to their obligated weekly and monthly deliverables as trained Inclusive Neighbourhood Spaces volunteers.



#### ZINGISANI CRECHE

Community leaders gathered together with members of the Noupoort community, families and over 200 crèche children to celebrate the launch of the recently upgraded Zingisani Creche.

The centre's Principal, staff and the hundreds of community children who are taken care of at this centre were delighted with the results of the refurbishment, interiors and especially the Lego equipment which is a favourite amongst the youngsters.



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