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Dear Marc

Lutho Educare, Masakhane Seniors Club and Ekonwabeni Educare

We trust that you will enjoy reading about some of the wonderful things that Spark ATM Systems has made possible for three of our facilities in Cape Town.

Your wonderful contribution of **R30 000** to each has helped us to significantly improve the lives of children and seniors who use these facilities daily.

Ikamva Labantu celebrates its 50th anniversary this year and we would not have been able to achieve this important milestone without the generous support from our partners like you. Together, you help us care for over 12 000 preschool children, 700 senior citizens and almost 1 000 orphaned and vulnerable children in Cape Town.

We are deeply grateful for Spark ATM System's generous contribution to our work, both in terms of monetary donations and the helping hands of your wonderful staff.

Should you need more information, please do not hesitate to call us.

Warm regards

Jovana Djeri
Fundraising Manager

Brief Update:



Project:	Lutho Educare
Date of build	March 2013
Total cost of the project:	R90 000
Donation from Spark ATM Systems:	R30 000

Before your involvement, this pre-school was poorly equipped, cramped and unsanitary. Today, thanks to your donation of R30 000, and donations received from Itec for R25 000 and R35 000 from a nursery group in UK, we are delighted to highlight the improvements that you have made possible for this educare.

The new classroom has meant that staff are able offer children many more activities during the day. Now, there is space to draw, paint and play and learn. Keeping the class clean is easier than before as children can now be moved from one area to another without necessarily having to go outside.



New Classroom

A new toilet block with three fully functional toilets is vital to this facility. Staff ensure that the toilets remain in perfect working order and children are learning the importance of handwashing and a good toileting routines. The knock-on advantage to this is that when children go home – they continue to wash their hands after using a toilet and in most instances this improves the standards of cleanliness in the home as children teach their parents a better way of life.

The educare has recently secured an ERF number and was officially zoned as an educare. Now its principal and staff can continue to expand the facility legally. This will also ensure that Lutho will now be able to apply for a subsidy from the Department of Social Development and this will certainly help to stabilize the financial situation of the Educare.

Today Lutho Educare is going from strength to strength thanks to good leadership, careful administration and its dedicated staff. Despite the fact that parents are poor and cannot afford high fees, Nothlangabezo continues to encourage them to pay fees and keep the school in operation.



New ablution block

To our very special donors – thank you for making many dreams come true and sharing in our commitment to our community.

Brief Update:



Project:	Masakhane Seniors Club
Date of build	June 2013
Total cost of the project:	R47 122
Donation from Spark ATM Systems:	R30 000

Home to 30 local senior citizens in the Masakhane district of Phillippi East on the Cape Flats, this venue comprises of brick structures, prefabricated rooms and re-purposed shipping containers. For many, this club is a haven of friendship and support where seniors meet daily to become involved in income generation, exercise classes and to receive regular meals.

Before the involvement of Spark ATM Systems, the Club had a large uneven and sandy courtyard which caused constant issues with sand and dust in Summer and became a mud bath in winter. There were severe leaks in the lounge and office, the kitchen floor was rotten and the toilets were unusable.

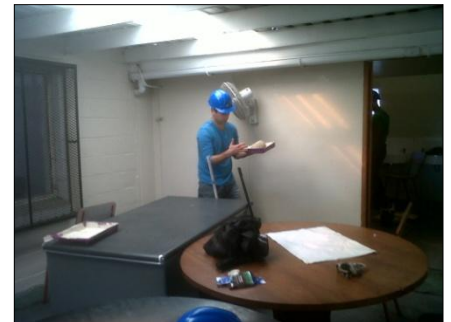
Now – we are pleased to report that things have changed for the better. Seniors and staff are delighted with their sound roof that no longer leaks. This means that the office can operate efficiently and the risk of damage to electronic equipment is a thing of the past. The kitchen boasts new flooring and refurbished cupboards and is fully operational on a daily basis where two simple but nutritious meals are prepared for its members who attend five days per week. The ablution block is also in perfect working order.

In time we hope to secure sufficient funds to insert a ceiling into the dining area and to construct a single roof over the kitchen area. At present the roof is constructed from makeshift materials and is on a split level.

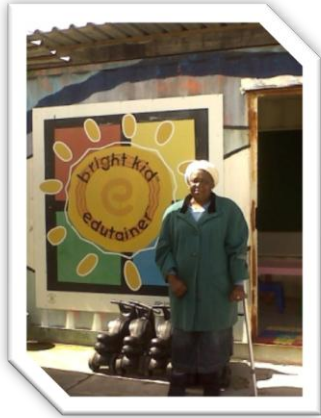
Thank you for your support in returning Masakhane to full capacity.



A brand new courtyard



Volunteers refurbishing the office



Container classrooms

Brief Update:

Project:	Ekonwabeni Educare Centre
Date of build	September 2013
Total cost of the project:	R52 500
Donation from Spark ATM Systems:	R30 000

This preschool situated in Khayelitsha not far from our Kwakhanya ECD Centre caters for the needs of 30 preschoolers who range in age from 2 to 6 years of age. A few months ago this preschool had a leaking roof and very little shade for the children to play in. Their ablutions were inadequate and toilets did not operate at full capacity.



A clean and tidy classroom

The staff and owner of the educare are thrilled to report that thanks to your support much has changed since September. The educare now boasts 3 brand new toilets, a new kitchen area and a shaded area for the children to play under. The Spark ATM Systems volunteers helped to repaint the main classroom and refurbish the window frames on one very cold and windy day in September. Despite the weather, our operations manager reported that the team were a pleasure to work with and they achieved much in just a few short hours.

Children can now play and learn a bright fresh space which is easy to keep clean thanks to the new flooring while enjoying maximum fun outside under the newly erected awning.

And most importantly – Ekonwabeni Educare Centre is finally in a position to apply for registration to receive the coveted Department of Social Development preschool grant. This will certainly assist to stabilise this educare's financial standing

Also on the property are two re-purposed shipping containers. These too serve as classrooms and while the space inside them is highly conducive to preschool activities – the five window frames in the structure are badly rusted. We would like to repair these as soon as funding is available.



Safe and happy at school

Thank you for making this educare a happier place to be.



Next project:

Project name: Monwabesi Seniors Club

Date: 14 November 2013

This club situated in Philippi is home from home to approximately 30 seniors who come to the club for companionship, intellectual stimulation and the opportunity to supplement their social grants with the income they generate from beading.

With the help of Spark ATM Systems volunteers we hope to complete the following tasks on the day of the visit:

- Remove and refurbish burglar bars
- Scrape and clean window frames
- Paint burglar bars with rust resistant paint
- Gardening

In addition we also need your assistance with:

- Refurbishment of the ablution block
- Repair of floors
- Repair and painting of walls and ceilings



Active ageing: the seniors at the Monwabisi club

We expect it to cost in the region of **R30 000** to achieve the above objectives.

We look forward to an exciting and fulfilling day at the club next week and we know we can rely on our special volunteers to make a day of hard labour somewhat of a pleasure.

We are grateful for your ongoing commitment to our work.



Seniors caring for grandchildren