



Home hopping for Madiba

Description

A vocal advocate for action in the fight against HIV/Aids, and a firm believer that our children are our nation's greatest treasures, in his 67 years of selfless public service Nelson Mandela shone a light on controversial and often difficult truths in the hopes of bettering the future for all.

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To honour Nelson Mandela International Day, the Healthcare Forensics team held a number of fundraisers in the office – from a hot chocolate, muffins and scones day to a soup and bun day – to ultimately raise R5,000, which they added to the R15 000 they won in the Ignite Awards.

After a whirlwind shopping spree, it was time to home hop and pay it forward to Legacy Children's Home, Frederic Place Old Age Home and Footprint Hospice in Johannesburg and surrounds.

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The needs at these facilities are vast, so the team visited each home to talk to staff about where they could be of the most use. "We listened, took note of specific things said to us and shopped with excitement and pleasure, knowing we could make that burden a little lighter. From having washing machines and JoJo tanks delivered, to the fun and most humbling part – handing more goodies over on Mandela Day – it was truly a blessing to know we made a difference in the lives of others!" said

Charlene Kelly, Manager: Governance and Operations, Healthcare Forensics.

Frederic Place? was founded in 1978 in Coronationville and now accommodates 85 men and women, aged 60 years and older, who need a safe home and loving care.

Legacy Children's Home is operated as part of the Women Empowerment Platform and provides a safe home for neglected and abused children, ensuring they can flourish in an environment where their needs are met.

The Footprint Hospice, formerly Soweto Retired Professionals Society (SRPS), was founded in 1986 by retired nurses from the Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital. The staff there tends to the healthcare needs of individuals who often have no one else to help them in their time of need, with the main focus being patients with HIV/Aids or cancer.

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