



THE
CATHOLIC BISHOPS'
FOUNDATION

2017

Beneficiaries



What is the Bishop's Foundation and what is its purpose?

The Foundation is a legally-registered body set up by the Catholic Bishops with a board of Trustees appointed to manage the money donated to it. The purpose of the Foundation is to provide financial support to a number of charitable projects that request funding from the Bishops. Our aim is to support organisations and individuals involved in strengthening the Catholic Church in Southern Africa through Catholic Social Action which in turn, strengthens the impact of the Catholic Church in Southern Africa and abroad.

Why should I make a donation and does it count?

Every parish and every diocese has its own specific needs and projects to be supported. The Foundation's aim is to support projects on a national level rather than a local level. Individuals, groups, organisations, even non-Catholic groups appeal from time to time for assistance and the Foundation's aim is to create a fund so the Bishops can support these requests. The Foundation gives you the opportunity to share the charitable work of the Church nationally.

You **ARE** the Church. It is your support that ensures the Church will be there for you and your family - now and in the future. The Church as an institution needs your support and it is your opportunity to bless others as you have been blessed by the Lord. It is your opportunity to share special way in the work of the Church which basically is to build the Kingdom in the minds and hearts of people.



St. John's Hall, Maitland

Cape Town



A hall is an essential commodity in any parish/community set-up. It serves a variety of purposes. It's a place for meetings, it serves as a venue for a soup kitchen, (twice a week they feed + 80 homeless and refugees), it's a facility for skills development, it's a place to make and distribute food parcels. It's a storage facility. A parish hall is a multi-purpose building. In St. John's Maitland, the roof of corrugated iron was twisted and rusted and leaking badly. A donation of R30,000 from the Foundation helped kick-start the repairs. Once it was seen that work was starting other donors came to the party.

Michausdal, Nursery and Creche

EASTERN CAPE

This is a poor community, miles from PE. There are 185 children, ages between 2 and 5 in attendance. The subsidy from the Government failed to come through so there was a shortfall in buying food, paying the bills and the educators. Many of the children come from poor single parent families or households where the granny has to care for the children. The fact that the children receive a cooked meal daily is one of the reasons while the kindergarten is so full. The Foundation made a grant of R40,000, the most of which was used to buy groceries for the nutrition programme.



Aftercare, Plastic View

PRETORIA EAST



The Holy Cross Sisters run a centre called the Emmanuel Place of Hope and Aftercare in Pretoria East. For approximately 180 children of different ages. The government inspectors told them their baby class was overcrowded and so with the help of a donation from the Foundation and other donors they procured a container which solved the problem. Part of the donation was used to provide food as the children are fed a proper meal daily and school uniforms were bought for a family of five who had no means themselves. Their donation was R50,000.

Akhanani Mission

PORT ELIZABETH

This little Centre was started 5 years ago in an area where trafficking, drug and alcohol abuse was prevalent. Part of the vision is to provide care, guidance, protection and skills training for children who are not in school for whatever reason. The Skills training is for women and includes sewing, cooking and baking with a view to enabling them to look for employment. Space is provided for kids to do their homework after school. This Mission is also using containers as class rooms. They received R20,000 towards their initiatives.





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Mmakaunyane

PRETORIA

At the Good Shepherd day Care Centre in Mmakaunyane in Pretoria, approximately 220 orphaned and vulnerable children from the surrounding areas are catered for daily. They all come from disadvantaged families. The Centre aims to give them a good start in life as early childhood development is crucial for children later in life. The children are fed and other children who attend schools come after school also for a meal. They received a R30,000 donation most of which was earmarked for food.



St. Martin de Porres Catholic Creche

TZANEEN

This Creche received a grant of R30,000 which they used to upgrade and renovate two existing rooms, renovate the toilets and fix and secure the playground and create a sand pit for the children. The children come from the location in Musina itself but the parents can't afford the higher fees of the creches in town. Early Childhood Development programmes are used in the Crèche which get the children off to a good start in their later schooling.





Other Beneficiaries

Aliwal North, Education of Refugees, (R25,000)
Durban Refugee Pastoral Care, R25,000)
Mthatha, Orphans and Vulnerable Children (R25,000)
Pretoria, Home for abused women (R45,000)
Hammanskraal, School for Deaf (R25,000)
Wintervelt, Thusanang Care Group (R30,000)
Port Elizabeth, Missionvale Centre ((R20,000)
Port Elizabeth, Rosary Nursery School ((40,000)

Queenstown Ntaba Maria Clinic (R40,000)
Tzaneen Masungulo Creche ((45,000)
Tzaneen Refugee Children (R10,000)
KDG winter blankets (50,000)
Johannesburg Childline ((25,000)
Comboni Missionaries ((40,000)

Thank you...

Greetings everyone. I have lots of good news to share with you all. Many will recall that when I took over the Foundation my first aim was to recruit 1000 Catholics . It took three years but we now have just passed that number of 1000 regular supporters of the Foundation. With the recession and the ups and downs of life a handful have had to withdraw, something you will all understand, but in spite of that our numbers keep creeping up thanks be to God. We were able to distribute R630,000 in 2017 among a number of projects nationwide. We look for sustainable projects to get value for our money, investing primarily in children and education and facilities. I also want to mention that as many already know, last year I suffered a heart attack followed by a quadruple bypass. Today I am fit and well and I thank everyone sincerely for their prayers on my behalf. Please God we will walk the Foundation road a few more miles together. Being part of the Foundation is a wonderful opportunity to share in the betterment of others whom we don't know but who are part of the greater family of the Lord. He cares for them through us, everyone of us.

I have two requests, one that you recruit someone in your family circle, son daughter etc who could be a potential member of the Foundation family. Talk to them, and pass them on to me. Secondly, remember the Foundation when making your will or add a codicil to it that your good work follows you and you can watch it from above. Remember if you are in business that the Foundation is registered with SARS and can offer a Section 18A certificate when you are finalizing your tax returns. Finally I want to thank all who support the Foundation and assure them that they are all included in my prayers. *Fr. Barney*

How to give to the Foundation

DIRECT DEPOSIT OR EFT

I have deposited my gift of R _____ directly into your account:

Name of account: SACBC Foundation
Name of Bank: Nedbank
Address: Cnr Andries and Church Street, Pretoria
Branch: 160445
Account Number: 1604879564
Swift Code: NEDSAJ

For EFT deposits, please use your phone number as a reference.

DEBIT ORDER

I wish to sponsor by debit order the amount of R _____ from month _____ 20 ____ and each month thereafter until cancelled by me.

Type of account: Current Transmission Savings

Bank Name: _____ Branch Code: _____

Branch Name/Town _____

Account Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Contact Number: _____

For debit orders, please contact me via email (bmcaleer@sacbc.org.za) or by phone 072 4693710

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