

Business Profile

Of

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Introduction

Blessings Social Development Centre was established in January 2008, is a duly registered Public Benefit Organisation in terms of Section 30 of the Income Tax Act No. 58 of 1962, Non-Profit Organisation Act No. 71 of 1997 and level 3 Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Contributor in terms of BBBEE Act No. 53 of 2003.

The initiative to establish BSDC was propelled by the burning desire to make a meaningful contribution to help our country towards poverty eradication and community development through Social Entrepreneurial and Social Development. The Organisation operates from the black township of Brakpan called Tsakane at Gauteng Province in the Republic of South Africa

Tsakane is previously disadvantaged Black Township. The population is about one Hundred and Sixty thousand people. Township is faced with social and economical hardship more than any other township in Gauteng Province.

Many people are unemployed, due to closure of companies and lack of needed skills. Community members are dying of Aids related diseases living orphans behind with nobody to take care of them. Women and young girls are abused and raped daily. Sometimes by close relative, who promised to look after them. They are scared to speak out because they depend on those abusive relatives to survive. Destitute people with no one to look after. Youth and children engage in criminal activities in order to support their poverty stricken families. Children dropping out of schools because of hunger, lack of school uniforms and school fees. Young girls fall pregnant at the young age due to poverty in order to survive and support their families. Elderly people use their state grants to take care of Aids orphans, unemployed family members and to pay rates and taxes. Homelessness caused by the evictions of people from their houses by the banks, because they were retrenched and can no longer afford to pay their house bonds. This caused married people to separate and destroy their families.

BSDC has identified this aims and objectives as the form of intervention to address the hardship experiencing by the community members:

- To support the welfare and humanitarian mission of BSDC in respect of the caring, research, counselling and provision of healthcare service and education programmes to the homeless, orphaned, abused, neglected, abandoned, the poor and needy in order to alleviate poverty.
- To promote community development and advance social entrepreneurship by securing land and/or housing and/or developing, constructing, upgrading shelters, to build and equip community centres, clinics, crèches, sporting facilities for the poor and the needy and provision of disaster relief and water and sanitation.
- To provide shelter, food, clothes and life skills to the poor and needy community members.

VISION STATEMENT

Permanent footprints planted into the soil enjoyed by all.

MISSION STATEMENT

To enhanced development through mobilisation of corporate and states. To alleviate poverty and improve the lives of vulnerable and needy communities.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- To render effective and efficient social services to all people in its areas of operations, countrywide and worldwide irrespective of age, race, gender, religion and vulnerabilities.
- To empower members of the community with skills to look after themselves and destitute members of the community
- To provide counselling to alcohol, drugs abusers, Ex-offenders, broken families/divorce, rape victims and abused people.
- Provision shelter, foods (cooked), food parcels and clothes to the poor and needy
- Provision of career guidance to the community especially the youth
- Poverty alleviation, restoration of respect and human dignity
- To promote the culture of learning by providing for School fee for less fortunate scholars and extra classes for all scholars

COMMUNITIES ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMMES

- ◆ Hunger relief
- ◆ Skills development
- ◆ Poverty alleviation
- ◆ EDUCATION///
- ◆ Revival of all sports codes and Indigenous Games
- ◆ Clothing Distribution
- ◆ Hospice
- ◆ Shelter
- ◆ Rehabilitation (WELLNESS) Centre
- ◆ Career Orientation (SUMMER AND WINTER SCHOOL)
- ◆ Women Entrepreneurship programmes

POVERTY ALLEVIATION

The organisation in partnership with business fraternity will wage the struggle against hunger in the surrounding communities and some other parts of the Republic of South Africa. The beneficiaries shall be provided with food packages comprising of basic nutrition food and basic toiletries. The organisation will provide two meals per day (mornings and afternoons) for all vulnerable poor and needy. (Soup Kitchen)

Through mobile kitchen BSDC will also reach out to other underprivileged communities in the country, this will be done once weekly; four times per month (the ability to provide will be the determining factor of doing



this outside TSAKANE).

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MABUNDA STUDENT FOUNDATION, CAREER GUIDANCE AND ORIENTATION

The BSDC is fully committed to restore the culture of learning and to also make a positive contribution in providing the most needed skills in South Africa as the National Skills Development Strategy of the government and sector education and training authorities. The organisation will provide the following lessons **MATHEMATICS, PHYSICAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, BIOLOGY AND BASIC COMPUTER LITERACY** to the scholar during weekends and school holidays.



Previously disadvantaged schools with lack of resources and qualified educators; and students are still lacking career guidance. All high school learners are invited to attend subject's choice clinics at our centre in the form of their career path. Government departments, nongovernmental organisation (civil org), Labour and business are invited to form part of this career exhibition. Students will be encouraged to work hard at school, so that they may qualify for scholarships and bursaries.

The Centre will collect school materials and toys

Volunteer educators will participate in the program.

CLOTHING DISTRIBUTION

Upon receipt of donated clothing and from the public at large and corporate BSDC will issue them to the poor and needy community members. Blankets and clothes will be provided twice a year, at the beginning of winter and summer.



HOSPICE & SHELTER

The terminal ill members of the community will be accommodated at this care centre. The care centre will embrace and add value to the remaining years of their lives.

Safety Home is a place where HIV/AIDS orphans and a Homelessness member of the community stays. This place make the people who lost hope in life to feel been loved and that they are important parts of the community.

Care providers will participate in this program, by bathing and feeding the terminal ill

REHABILITATION CENTRE

The Centre will provide professional counselling to have encountered different challenges in life, so that they can accept the situation or change the way of doing things. The Centre provides counselling and moral support to the following people: aids effected and affected, Rape survivors, Abused Women and Children, Alcohol and Drugs Abusers, Depressed, Married people, Ex-Offenders.

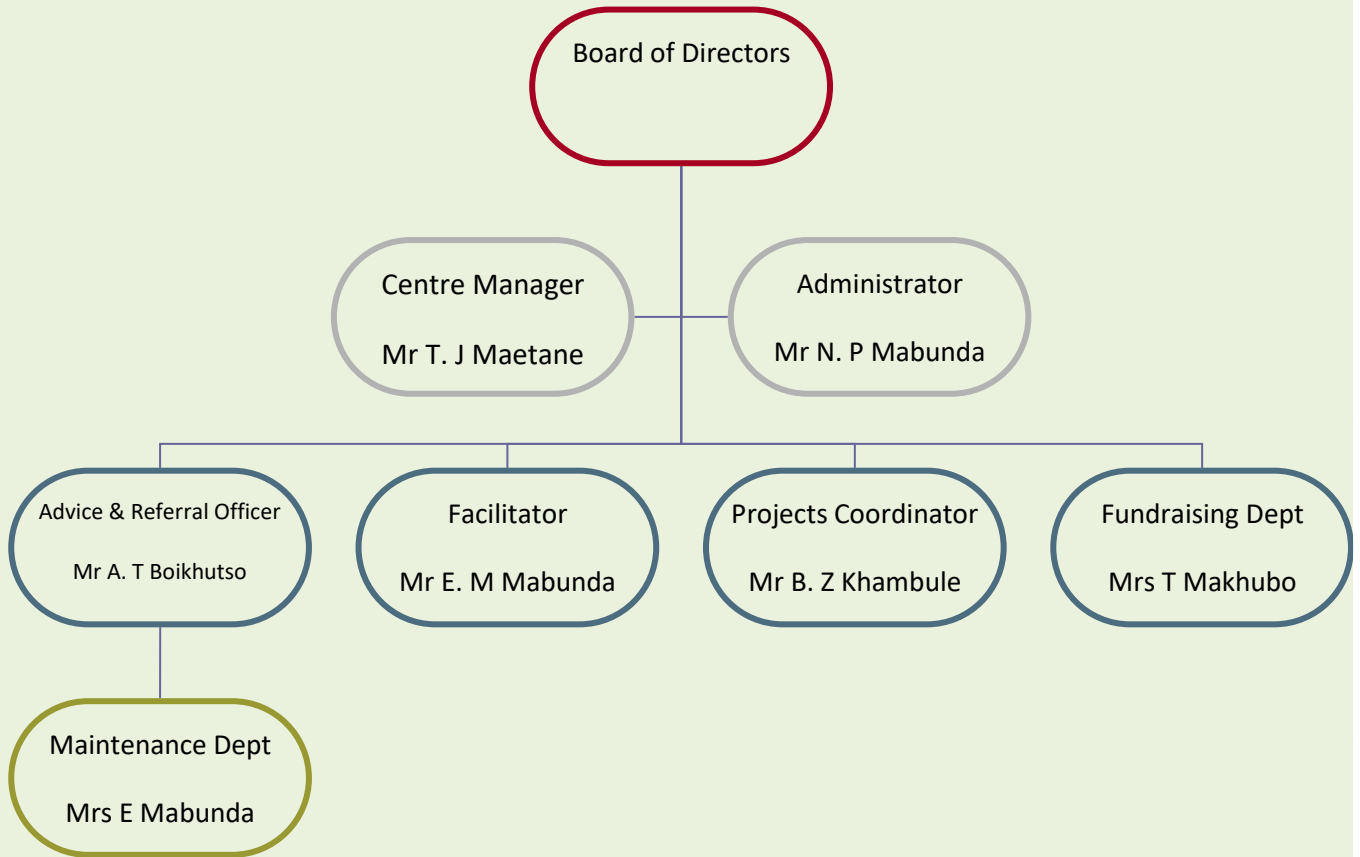
Academically qualified social workers will be key individuals to run the program

WOMEN ENTREPRENEUSHIP

Women are the worst previously disadvantaged in the society. The centre will empower the women to embark in self-help programmes in this field, Baking, Cooking, Jewellery/ Beats making, Green Gardening, Welding, Blankets and Tents making, Mending and Dress Making etc.



ORGANOGRAM



CONCLUSION.

Work with Blessings Social Development Centre and experience professionalism.

Food Parcel Gallery





Activity Gallery

Computer School Graduation ceremony



PLUMBING PROGRAMME



LIFE SKILLS TRAINING



Sewing Project



BRICKLAYING PROGRAMME



