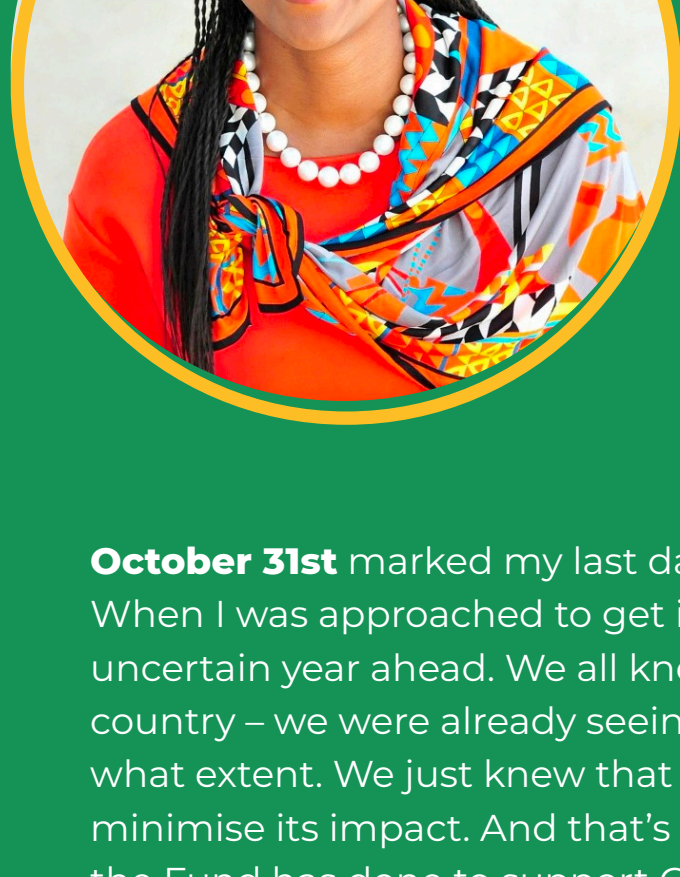
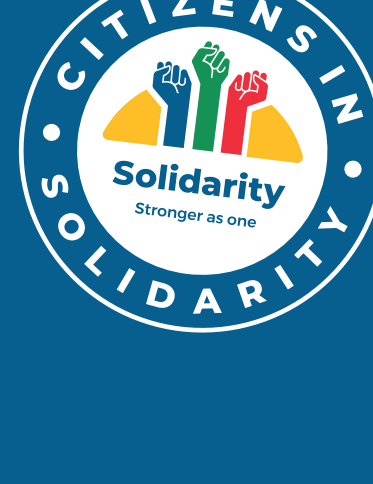


SOLIDARITY FUND STAKEHOLDERS BULLETIN

06 November 2020



FAREWELL FROM NOMKHITA NQWENI

October 31st marked my last day as Interim **CEO** of the Solidarity Fund. When I was approached to get involved, South Africa was facing an uncertain year ahead. We all knew that **COVID-19** would affect our country – we were already seeing its global impact – but we didn't know to what extent. We just knew that we had to do everything in our power to minimise its impact. And that's what we're doing. I'm so proud of the work the Fund has done to support Government and organisations fighting on the frontlines, and I'm grateful to have played a part. I'm not going to deny that the last 6 months have, at times, been challenging. What I will remember when I look back, however, will be the incredible commitment and passion of my team, the generosity of our donors and stakeholders, and the inspiring spirit and solidarity of the South African people. My heart will be with you all as we move into the next phase of the Fund's existence.

INFOGRAPHIC



PLEDGED
R 3,16* billion

RECEIVED
R 3,12* billion

ALLOCATED
R 2,26* billion

DISBURSED
R 1,417* billion

Disbursed - **R 1,417* billion** (the difference between allocated and disbursed is as a result of a number of projects which are in execution but have not been fully closed off)

***Accurate as of 31 Oct 2020**

Projects underway



Health Interventions:
13 active projects, 2 completed.



Humanitarian Relief Efforts: 4 active projects, 1 completed.

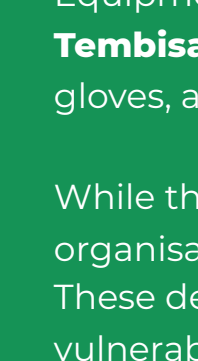


Behavioural Change: 5 active projects, 2 completed.



A BIG WELCOME TO OUR NEW CEO.

The Solidarity Fund is pleased to welcome **Amanda Tandiwe Nzimande (Tandi)** as Fund CEO, as of the **1st of November**. **Tandi Nzimande** is a chartered accountant with extensive experience in the financial, empowerment and development fields. She was most recently at Chapter One Innovation Brokerage, a business model research and development firm, and is a board member of FirstRand, a trustee of the **FirstRand Empowerment Foundation** and a fellow of the Africa Leadership Initiative. **Tandi** was endorsed as the CEO formally by the Board on the **22nd October**. We look forward to working with her as we continue the fight against the impact of the **COVID-19** pandemic.

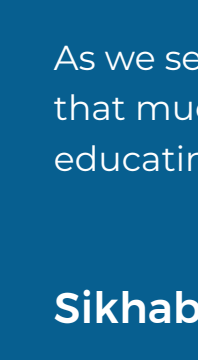


SAFETY ON THE JOB - THUTHUZELA CARE CENTRE PPE HANDOVER.



On the **28th of October 2020**, the Solidarity Fund delivered Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to two **Thuthuzela Care Centre (TCC)** units in **Laudium** and **Tembisa**. The hardworking staff received face masks (shields, N95 and surgical), gloves, and hand sanitiser, facilitated by our first **GBV** intervention.

While the world remains in the throes of **COVID-19**, **TCC** has been among the many organisations dealing with the rise of Gender-Based Violence during the pandemic. These deliveries will enable them to continue their important work in protecting vulnerable women and children.

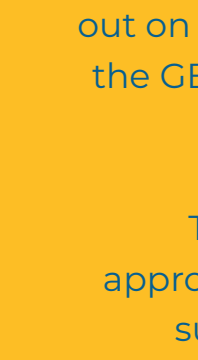


HEALTH UPDATE.

It has been a busy time for the Health Response team. There's been progress in the delivery of critical equipment and PPE and one setback with the **R209.6m** allocation to **Gauteng DoH** being put on hold due to the current challenges facing the **Gauteng Health Department**. The Fund will revisit requirements and discuss with **National DoH** on how to best proceed.

A quick update

- **140** Sparrow Ventilators were distributed to **27** hospitals in **7** provinces, the remaining **60** ventilators are expected to be delivered by **mid-November**.
- More than **60%** of the orders for the Eastern Cape Critical Equipment program have been placed and deliveries have begun. All orders are due to be placed within this week, with the majority of items to be delivered before year end.
- **Western Cape** Critical equipment of **R90m** is being processed through an NGO called **The Health Foundation**. An additional **R28m** has been allocated to the **Western Cape** for essential, but non-**COVID** specific, equipment.
- **12** Locally manufactured **CPAP** machines were delivered to **St Patrick's hospital** in time for its re-opening and renaming ceremony on the 27th October.



A CHECK-IN WITH OUR BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE TEAM.

As we settle in to our 'new normal', the role of our Behavioural Change Pillar becomes that much more important. The team has facilitated initiatives across the country educating people on how to live safely with **COVID-19**.

Sikhaba:

- The Sikhaba iCovid radio series completed its **27th** week with more than **1700** broadcasts across **15** radio stations and in 11 languages. Listen on www.soundcloud.com/sikhaba

Phepha Ufunde:

- Our education programme aimed at school management and governing bodies has run every Saturday on **Radio 2000**.
- A live webinar was held on **4 November** facilitated by **Tshepo Motsepe (Zenex Foundation)**.

South African Council of Churches:

- **1 227** Religious leaders in Eastern Cape have received ecumenical training covering topics such as 'Funeral Management' and 'Norms & Standards for Religious gatherings'.

Right to Care:

- A total of 409 religious leaders and **152** compliance officers have been trained in the Eastern Cape on the topic of safe funerals & burials and funeral compliance.
- **87** radio broadcasts have been completed on local **Eastern Cape radio stations** with an estimated reach of **860 000** listeners.

GBV KICKS INTO GEAR.

Following the Fund's announcement of its second phase of Gender-Based-Violence (**GBV**) support on **16 September**, we've now opened 2 calls for funding applications from beneficiaries who stand to benefit from once-off grants from the **Solidarity Fund**. The first call went out on the **22nd** of October to community-based organisations (**CBOs**) that perform or support critical activities and services related to addressing **GBV**. The second call went out on the **5th of November** and is aimed at non-profit organisations (**NPOs**) in the **GBV** sector who help catalyse or accelerate large-scale or systemic change in the **GBV** space over the medium- to long-term.

This second phase has been allocated **R75m** to be disbursed across approximately **360** organisations, with **75%** going towards community-based support and **25%** targeting programmes achieving systemic change.

GETTING OUR MESSAGE OUT THERE – GBV COMMS PLAN READY TO ROLL.

As you know, Gender-Based Violence (**GBV**) has been identified by the Solidarity Fund as one of our focus areas. To support the work of our first **GBV** intervention, and in anticipation of future activities, a communication and awareness campaign will be going live on the **16th of November**. The campaign is aimed at getting South Africans socialised to the various interventions and services that organisations such as the **National Shelter Movement**, the **Thuthuzela Care Centres**, and the **National GBV Command Centre** offer to those affected by the scourge of **GBV**. The **GBV** campaign will include broadcast, print and social media elements, and will roll out over a period of six months.

A HELPING HAND WHEN IT'S NEEDED MOST.

One of the many consequences of the **COVID-19** pandemic has been the devastating impact it has had on families and individuals who have lost their jobs or had their means of financial support compromised. As we near the 8th month of lockdown, their need is ever more urgent. As part of the Solidarity Fund's mandate to help those affected by **COVID-19**, the Fund is aiming to disburse **135 000** food vouchers (valued at **R700** each). This is the 2nd round of food voucher disbursements, with **18 572** vouchers disbursed to date. An additional **80 000** will be disbursed over the next two weeks. The full issue of **135 000** vouchers is anticipated to be completed by early **December**.

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