Much needed support to the Home for the Needy

By Robin Jones

On Thursday 25th August, Aiden, Judy and Robin delivered to the Home for the Needy a boot full of gifts to capacitate them for the task of looking after the many orphaned children in this destitute settlement east of Pretoria. The room they are gathered in during the day is made of a wooden frame and corrugated iron walls and roof. The cement floor is icy cold in winter.

The items included surplus supplies from Mac and Wendy Napier from Canberra, Australia who visited Home for the Needy in July. They were walking across southern Africa in aid of a number of charities and donated 10 soccer balls to the children – 5 for the Home and 5 for the local school. They also left numerous items behind on their return home such as furniture, cloths, food, water barrels and much else used during their travels that were handed over as gifts.

Beanies supplied by Judy soon became a big hit, as did an array of toys and clothes from Robin.

The three Rotarians left behind a group of playful smiling children, staff with a large supply of useful assets for the group and surplus items they can sell to raise cash. A good day for all concerned.



The room was quite bare before the Gifts from RCPE arrived



The gifts were assembled on a camping table donated by the Napiers from Australia



The children wore their beanies immediately and played on the new carpet donated by PP Mariana



President Aiden and Judy deliver the last of the goods to the happy residents of Home for the Needy