

WINTERVELDT HIV/AIDS PROJECT in NUMBERS

The Annual Summary Report for the Winterveldt HIV/Aids Project (WHAP) illustrates the compassion and perseverance of several club members to render humanitarian services during 2016. The Rotary Club of Pretoria East performed several activities to ensure sustainable support for the project. Winterveldt is the poorest township in Gauteng and has a huge population. WHAP was established in 1988 as a non-profit Section 21 company. WHAP is a home-based care organisation aimed at providing quality care, support and counselling to the terminally ill due to Aids and TB.

750 000 People in Winterveldt. **70%** are unemployed.

10 Walking frames, **22** wheelchairs and **40** walking sticks were issued to people who are unable to walk or had difficulty in getting around.

60 Blankets were issued at the beginning of winter.

150 Food parcels were delivered to the needy and indigent in the community and to Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVCs)

360 Patients were transported to the clinic for treatment of various illnesses

1 000 Shoes were issued to community members (adults)

3 500 Shoes were issued to the school children



4 000 Community members were educated about HIV and TB; this means that a section of the community consisting of some **2 300** adults and also

1 700 School children now know the facts of health issues and can also practise prevention.

652 Clients were tested for HIV in order for them to know their status so that they can take treatment to prolong their lives – **212** were negative and the rest, **440** were HIV positive.

500 Patients were encouraged to adhere to treatment during home-based care visits and were also referred to the clinic to get treatment.

75 Community members were trained to be care givers with the view of insuring that they will be able to take care of their family members who are sick and also during our absence

48 Gogos (grandmothers) were educated about HIV/Aids, TB and chronic diseases. The senior citizens also learnt about exercises to keep them fit and healthy.

43 Volunteers were coached to become caregivers and they have all passed the test. They are now working at various clinics in the Winterveldt area.

28 New applications to become caregivers have now been received. Various training institutions have been approached to give them training so that they can resume with their new tasks.

The Rotary Club of Pretoria East also provided Winterveldt with a boardroom and toilets for Females and Males.

The Winterveldt steering committee is very grateful to the Pretoria East Rotary Club as none of this would have been possible or had happened without our intervention.

The committee thanks the club and its members for the support provided to them so that they could achieve their goal of rendering Quality services to the Winterveldt community at large. The Winterveldt HIV/Aids Project is a small organisation with a big heart that impacts its community in a powerful way. Bravo.

