

# HOME FOR THE NEEDY

## MAGNIFICENT MONSANTO UPGRADE



The Home for the Needy in Lethabong was fortunate to be the beneficiary of Monsanto's corporate social responsibility programme. Following the initiative by Zachel van Aswegen, President Jan Visagie accompanied a group of representatives from the Monsanto Agricultural Seed manufacturers on an inspection of The Home for the Needy. Monsanto were looking for an opportunity for their social responsibility programme as part of the Nelson Mandela birthday campaign.

The Home provides much needed day care supervision for 33 of the most vulnerable young children in this very impoverished community. Monsanto representatives were extremely impressed with the supervision by the ladies who provide this service on a voluntary basis, coupled with the rather limited conditions that existed at the premises, that they selected the Home as one of Monsanto's social upliftment programmes for 2018.

Wow, and what they did went way beyond all expectations. The Team from Monsanto descended on the Home in late July and began their awesome work. They placed rubber mat flooring in the playroom/kitchen area and provided small tables and chairs for the children. They introduced activity areas which were equipped with various games and activities, such as a dress-up area, etc. They also erected a roof and guttering over the outside courtyard and provided two water tanks to capture rain water flowing from the roof, paving the area below. The upgrading also included the erection of a prefab wall to secure the premises, the painting of all structures as well as the magnificent addition of a small greenhouse and the provision of a wide selection of plants and vegetables. And these are just some of the numerous improvements to The Home for the Needy.

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### MORE WATER TANKS



The Monsanto Team in front of the new water tank and guttering that is connected to the existing tank. They did a sterling job at H4N!



### NEW PREFAB WALL AND ENTRANCE

Marga Smith from Monsanto with Lucky, Nomsa and Catherine at the new entrance and the new precast wall

# A COOL SHADY COURTYARD



The covered courtyard area provides plenty of shade for the children to play



# NEW COLOURFUL TABLES AND CHAIRS



The happy smiling children with their new tables and chairs being treated by the Monsanto Team



# NEW GREENHOUSE, NEW PLANTS, NEW POTS

And finally, the new greenhouse and plants in their array of new pots on display

Not to be outdone, some of the Rotarians also stepped up to the challenge. Joyce donated a single bed and mattress the Home 4 Needy. The ladies who supervise the children, Cathrine, Lucky, Nomsa and Pretty, and of course most importantly the children, are all delighted with the upgrades which have gone a long way to improving living conditions for all. **Thank you, Monsanto; Thank you, RCPE**



To Marga and her Monsanto Team, the Rotary Club of Pretoria East will forever be grateful for your support with H4N. This was truly a very happy month for the children of H4N and their caregivers.