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Dear South African Association

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NorSA would like to thank you for the donation of NOK 75000 we received from your organisation during January 2023. It was a huge blessing for us and we want you to know that we appreciate your involvement and support of our work.

Within NorSA we have the heart, calling and the will to change the lives of the children and communities we are involved with. We can however not do this without the support of donors and partners. The challenges we are facing especially after the COVID pandemic is that our operational costs are increasing, i.e transport costs, food, electricity and together with increasing electricity costs, we are also face loadshedding every day which brings its own challenges.

We however try to adapt to all challenges and ensure that it does not have a negative impact on the quality of our work.

We used your donation towards our After School Care Centre in Wellington. This Centre provides homework facilities to our school going children every day when they come from school. Each child also receives a cooked meal every day at the Centre when they come from school and they also take part in recreational and life skill programmes.

The focus of the After School Care Centre is to provide our school going children with a safe and adequate space where they can do their homework with assistance and guidance. Our life skill programmes provide children with social and emotional support and education to ensure that they develop into emotional intelligent young adults.

If our children did not have the opportunity to attend the After School Care Centre, they would dwell around in the streets, had no assistance with homework and they would most likely get involved in alcohol and drug abuse as well as gangsterism due to peer pressure in the community.

We have 100 school going children who attend the After School Centre daily and we are thankful to see their development, their motivation and also their progress in school.

Our After School Care Centre is registered with Government and we receive subsidy for the programme. The subsidy does not cover all our costs and we are always in need of additional funding to ensure that all our costs can be covered.

The parents of these children are receiving parenting training on an ongoing basis to develop their parenting skills. When we have parenting training sessions, we also provide them with a cooked meal at every session. Our aim is to work holistic and because the parents of our children did not have positive role models, we try to develop their parenting skills to ensure that they become the best parents they can be.

Thank you once again for your assistance and we hope that the photos can give you some idea of what your assistance are contributing towards.

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