

Epworth Children's Village – August Newsletter

Celebrating August at Epworth Children's Village

“A Month of Growth, Joy, and Community”

August has been a month of celebration, growth, and community spirit at Epworth Children's Village. We take this opportunity to reflect on the milestones we've reached and the bright future we are building for the children in our care.

Highlights of Our August Celebrations

National Women's Month August marks *National Women's Month* in South Africa, and here at Epworth, we honoured the incredible women who are at the heart of our organization. From our dedicated staff to the young girls we support, we celebrated their strength, resilience, and invaluable contributions.

Back-to-School Preparations As we near the end of winter, August is a key month for us to prepare the children for the new school term. With the help of our amazing donors and partners, we've ensured that the children have the necessary school supplies, winter clothes, and learning materials to start the term on the right foot.

Therapeutic centre – continues to provide services to schools, local hospital and provided 11 assessments for new admission for Epworth.

Volunteering and Giving Back We are deeply grateful to the volunteers who continue to support us. Whether through tutoring, mentoring, or organizing activities, they've played a pivotal role in enriching the lives of our children. Thank you to Radford House that came and spent two Saturdays playing games, snacks and tutoring.

How You Can Get Involved

- **Donate:** Your contributions ensure that the children at Epworth Children's Village continue to receive the support they need. Every donation makes a lasting impact.
- **Volunteer:** Be part of our incredible volunteer team and make a difference in our children's lives. There are countless ways to help, from organizing activities to tutoring.
- **Spread the Word:** Share our story and mission with your network. The more people who know about Epworth, the greater our ability to make a difference.
- **Sponsor a Child:** Provide direct support to a child's education, therapeutic needs, and daily essentials by becoming a sponsor.
- **Adopt a House:** Through our *Adopt a House* program, you can help us maintain and upgrade the living spaces that our children call home.

Celebrating Our Community

At Epworth, we are constantly reminded of the power of unity and community. Together, we are making an incredible difference, helping each child heal, grow, and achieve their dreams. Thank you for being a part of this journey.

Projects on the Go

Jacaranda House Renovation - Jacaranda House has been closed since July 20th as the Manson family has generously adopted it. The renovation, which includes upgrades to the baths, plumbing, showers, and tiling, is well underway. Painting will begin in September, and we are immensely grateful for their support in restoring this 30-year-old building.

New Arrivals

We've welcomed five new children this month—three boys aged 4, 5, and 7, and two girls aged 4 and 6. They are already becoming a part of our Epworth family.

Freemanson Potjiekos Competition

A big thank you to the Mansons for hosting a successful potjiekos competition, supporting Epworth with 26 participants! Special thanks to Marlize and Roberta for judging.

Thank You to Our Partners

- Waco for helping facilitate the bait boxes and annual fire compliance upgrades.
- Sanitech: Supplied bait boxes for all 10 buildings, keeping our facilities safe and healthy.
- RBR Fire: Your ongoing support has been invaluable.

We are gearing up for the next six months and will keep you updated on our upcoming projects. As always, your support is critical to helping us meet the needs of our children.

Thank you - To the Principal and student of BenHale Academy for nominating Epworth as your chosen charity and community outreach.

Urgent Needs

We are in *urgent need* of the following supplies:

- Curtains
- Children's clothing and shoes
- Lightbulbs (bayonet type)
- Storage containers

Special Thanks - Our deepest gratitude goes out to our amazing donors, including *Allied Steelrode* and *NHR Mining*, for answering our call for support. Your contributions have made a significant difference this month!