

### Isilimela High School – Langa

#### **Our Foundation**

The SAME Foundation is a non-profit organisation which raises funds and manages corporate social investment allocations to improve the health and education environment in South Africa. The SAME Foundation has created a platform whereby private and corporate donors can make a tangible and sustainable difference with their funds. The Hospitals and Schools we work with rely solely on government financing and are utilised by over 85% of our country's population, and are therefore under severe strain. Our aim is to assist donors by aligning their annual donation budgets to projects where the investment will make the biggest tangible impact. We have completed over 40 projects in the past 13 years, positively influencing millions of South Africans. The SAME Foundation takes all the research work and hassle out of finding worthy projects and facilitates, the entire process from identifying the need to the grand opening or unveiling of the completed project. We focus our effort on facilities in poverty-stricken communities where there is no short/medium term governmental budget for improvements. This means that, without intervention by you and the SAME Foundation, these communities won't be able to receive the healthcare and education that they deserve. Not only does this ultimately save lives and educate children, but it allows the staff to do their jobs efficiently in an environment that enhances their morale. Patient and student comfort is essential to our outcome on each project, this is ensured by supplying each of our partner facilities with all the necessary equipment, furniture and stationary required to operate effectively. While our main focus is on improving the state of our countries health and educational facilities, we also realise that our donors deserve recognition for their involvement in the transformations we perform. We reward all donations with a section 18A donation receipt and BEE letter of thanks making the donations Tax deductible and allows the donor to claim full BEE points under the SED category. We also facilitate on site donor recognition through different branding options and also arrange media PR.

#### **Current Project**

Children in township and rural communities are struggling due to a lack of infrastructure and resources. The SAME Foundation is addressing this crisis to ensure that in the coming years, our projects will produce children who have been educated to a level that allows them to reach their full potential. We are currently improving Isilimela High School situated in Langa, which is a predominantly Xhosa speaking community consisting of around **60 000 people**. The community has an **unemployment rate of around 40%** of which with an average household income of around **R2000**, approximately **50% of the residents live in shacks**. Isilimela High School is a typical township school - born out of a previously disadvantaged community, poor infrastructure setup (RDP structure), poorly trained educators and learners from a society riddled with



social ills yet, against all odds, Isilimela High School rises above all in striving for quality and excellence. This is evident from the continued excellent academic performance across all grades. This school strives to offer quality teaching and learning to the High school learner population which currently stands at 1600 pupils. Although they are challenged with many difficulties, Isilimela High School has managed to deliver quality education. In order for the school to sustain and improve both quality and quantity, the school has to intensify the usage of available technological resources by integrating these resources into teaching and learning habits on a frequent or daily basis.



## Our Focus

The Foundations focus for strategic investment in education is predominantly on Science, Maths and Technology. Science and Maths education in South Africa is currently in a state of crisis. According to the World Economic Forum (2015), South Africa ranked last out of 140 countries for the quality of Maths and Science education. Results from the Annual national Assessment in 2014 showed that the average performance in Maths at grade 9 level is 11%.

## School Revitalisation Project Overview

The proposed work includes, but is not limited to the following:

### Computer Centre

- a. Establish a room big enough for at least 31 computers.
- b. Fully equip and network the room.
- c. Provide software as requested by the school.
- d. Ensure that the teachers are trained to use and manage the facility.

## Costing Summary

- **1 x Computer Centre**
  - **Classroom Renovation** **R142'602.47**
  - **Fittings & Security** **R101'760.38**
  - **Built in desks and chairs** **R135'758.24**
  - **31 Computers** **R177'485.90**
  - **Network infrastructure** **R52'112.72**
  - **Interactive White Board** **R29'789.85**

*Free to Live – Free to Learn*



## Costing Disclaimer

Costing is subject to change due to inflation and exchange rate fluctuations and dependent on availability of suppliers. Costing includes all furnishings from top to bottom to create a world-class learning environment up to SAME Foundation standards.

## Project Objectives

- Increase levels of computer literacy
- Reduce learner dropout rate
- Enable pass rate to reflect the children's abilities
- Upskill and empower the educators
- Create a safe learning conducive environment

## Call to Action

To achieve our target we are appealing to your company to partner with us by sponsoring the full cost of the Computer Centre as a once off donation. If the full cost is not within your budget, any contribution you can make towards this target would be greatly appreciated.

- **Computer Centre**                      **R 640 000**

## Project Beneficiaries

- 1600 Black South African Children

## Benefits to your company

- You will be assisting children within the Langa Suburb & surrounding areas.
- All contributions are fully tax deductible, and you will receive a section (18) a receipt.
- Should you be a BEE verified company, you will be entitled to claim further points on your score card under the socio-economic development category.
- Your company will receive branding at the school.

## **Advertising and Branding**

\*Branding packages are available and will vary depending on the amount or level of the donation made. The following branding options are available for full sponsorship of a computer centre:

- Classroom Name branding
- Reception Donor board
- Website Donor page
- Invite to Annual Donor Awards evening.

## **Perishable and Product Donations Policy**

The SAME Foundation has a no-handling policy in terms of goods and perishables that fall outside of our portfolio and description for the specific project. This is due to the resources required to ensure that the goods are used and managed effectively, as well as our office not being able to store goods and perishables. The Foundation unfortunately cannot commit to continual management of the use and maintenance of these donations falling outside our portfolio and therefore cannot take responsibility for it.

## **Conclusion**

Providing schools with the necessary resources, infrastructure and support is vital to the education of our children. Creating equal education is a shared responsibility, and allowing the children in disadvantaged areas a fair opportunity to reach their full potential is vital to the progression of South Africa.

The state of Science, Maths, literacy and computer literacy levels in schools is well documented and they need support through targeted sustainable projects. The SAME Foundation implements school monitoring and support once every project is complete. This allows us to measure the impact of the investment and assist further to ensure that our objectives are reached. We share these results with our donors.