

# SAN SALVADOR HOME & WORKSHOP

THE SAN SALVADOR SNAPSHOT | FEB 2023



# **HELLO AGAIN!**

#### A GREAT START TO THE YEAR

Hello all.

Yes, it's been some time since our last news in November and this year is already cracking on. It seems long ago to speak of, but the ladies had a very good Christmas and we thank all that contributed in spoiling them over that time.

Special thanks go to St. Mary's next door, as well as Anna Paynee of Cliff Decker & Todd, for putting on a lovely party for the ladies.

We sincerely thank too, all parents who donated gifts over this time.

Here are some general updates and news of what has been going on at the Home and what is up ahead:-



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# SUCCESSFUL FUND-RAISING

Some really good news is a lovely spike in the fund-raising area. Some excellent performances have been reported in general donations as well as Ride Joburg, Xmas puddings, the Sherpa movement and the Open Fete. This has resulted in the R1.5m target for the year ending March being comfortably reached. Very sincere congratulations and many thanks go to the whole fund raising team and their assistants.



# FABULOUS MATTRESS DONATION

Twenty brand new mattresses have been donated by Bravo Sleep. This kindness is worth some R 65,000 for which the Home is very grateful.

### MYSCHOOL CARD

We appeal to all to get involved in the 'My School Cards' scheme. Please support the initiative and nominate San Salvador as a beneficiary.



### **WEAVING SALE**

Make a note please that the Weaving Sale is to be held on the morning of **Saturday 25 March 2023, 9am-12pm in the Weaving Room.** The Family Support Committee will soon be called up to assist with the arranging of this event.





#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

Future events will be communicated in following newsletters as they evolve.

# CHANGE TO LANDLINE

Please note that our lanline number has been changed.
Please save the new number: 010 449 6459



Fairly brief, but that's all for now and further news will be shared as it unfolds.



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## MESSAGE FROM RONELLE

#### REFLECTIONS ON 2022

Last year ended on a high and festive note, with the residents and Workshop attendees being spoilt by several benefactors who organized Christmas parties and gifts. Thank you to all who made this a special time for our residents.

At the onset of last year, I mentioned that our aim for 2022 was to "recover and thrive", following a few difficult years brought on by Covid and its ensuing consequences and challenges. I am happy to report that we are starting 2023 on a much better footing and with a far more hopeful and positive attitude. We certainly celebrated some achievements and successes during 2022, where so many other Non- Profit Organizations were less fortunate, and had to close down some of their services and programmes. We have our wonderful families and donors to thank for that!

Should this support and involvement continue, as I am sure it will, we can only go from strength to strength in the coming year. The San Salvador Board, Management and Staff are totally committed to fulfilling our mission and vision, and to provide the best possible care and services to those in our care.

However, without your ongoing involvement and backing, that will not be possible and for this reason we again appeal to all to remain involved, starting with supporting our upcoming fundraising events, and engaging in our social media posts. By following and forwarding our social media posts, you can assist us to increase awareness on various levels about persons with disabilities and their incredible value and potential.

During the past few years, while working at San Salvador, I noticed that those who are ignorant, tend to see and react to the disability, before they see and react to the person. Let us enlighten and guide them, and help them realize that the most important "special need" that our residents have is to be loved, respected and accepted just the way they are.