

Ubomi Obutsha Centre

SNIP BITS

Saamies

As mentioned in previous communications, the primary school just behind the Centre got the "short end" of an admin mess at the department of education & are not budgeted for on the food support program for schools in poor communities.

As frustrating & "not our problem" as this is, many of the children go to this school every day on an empty stomach & then struggle to cope during the day. Then either come to the Centre for Soup Kitchen on a Tuesday & Thursday or go home hoping someone has got some food for lunch or, at least, supper!

Since Mandela Day, we now have commitments from 3 sources who will supply 500 sandwiches ("saamies" to us South Africans) 6 days a month!

It was a surprisingly moving experience the other morning hearing the cheers of happiness coming from the classrooms as I reversed up to the school to drop off a load! Who would think that a simple saamie could mean so much!?

There are still another 15 days a month to fill (only during school terms & until April next year) & we are looking for any local groups who would like to "adopt" a day. 500 sandwiches will cost a few hundred rand & will take a group of 10 about 1 1/2 hours to make. We can also put you in touch with suppliers who will sell you sliced bread at cost price for this purpose.

Contact me at the details below if you would like to be a part of this initiative.

- Mark



General Information

<u>Location:</u>	164 Salamntu Street, Kwazakhele, Port Elizabeth, South Africa (33°52'07.88"S 25°34'49.19"E)
<u>CCMP Director:</u>	Mark Lawler - 082 473 4389 / mark@ccmp.org.za
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<u>Donations:</u>	Sam Mandlana - 083 526 7840 - for collection of local donations in kind (clothing, etc).

Needs

- Donations of basic foods.
- Funding towards a new vehicle that is used to collect & distribute donations & for other general transport needs.
- Regular & affordable (to the donor) financial donations to help cover running costs.

Banking Details

Combined Christian Ministries to the Poor First National Bank Cheque Acc: 62000371170, Branch: Newton Park, Branch Code: 261050, Swift Code: FIRZAJJ



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