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Happy festive season:

Season of love, sharing and spending time with your love ones. Sadly, for most of our families who have relatives in Eastern Cape and KwaZulu Natal, they won't be visiting them this Christmas due to the increase cases of Corona virus. Those who will go we wish them all the best and safety.

Celebrations:



This was a month where we celebrated our team, relationships and attended events. We showed our gratitude and appreciating those who have been faithful and dedicated. We appreciated the staff and volunteers of Sakhisizwe YDP, who have push through this year, assisting one another and supporting each other. I have seen growth, team work and leadership skills among the staff. We had our end of the year staff lunch where we shared words of encourage and appreciating. We all grateful that salaries were paid from January to December because of your generous support.

Jabulani Africa Ministry are one of our partners who have been assisting us with our Friday night program and also facilitate our camps. Its one of our traditions that we do a beach walk and end off with seafood at Mariners Wharf this is how we can thank them for assisting us through the year.

While we were thinking of hosting a Christmas party for our parents but we couldn't do it because we didn't get the food parcel sponsors, they also thought of us and collected money for Christmas present to share among the staff. They all said they appreciate the work that we are doing with their kids, if it was not for Sakhisizwe their kids would have been in drugs, drop out of school, they really appreciate what we do and they don't have much but that is the small thing that they could do for us.





We had 5 mentors who graduated from a life skill training sponsored by Hope for Africa, where they were learning about gender-based violence, substance abuse, job readiness etc. We hope to send more of our mentors next year to attend these outings.

We partnered up with Hout Bay partnership to hire 16 mentors who were trained as field workers to collect data base using whatsapp

groups for the whole community. It was amazing to hear how well they were accepted by the members of the community because they were from Sakhisizwe YDP. We will continue building great relationship around our community sharing resources and help where it is needed. We were honored to be invited by Hout Bay partnership to their launch of their new website of Hout Bay connect and networked with other organization and business.



We have seen so much progress and commitment with our mentors, we are grateful for Ricky Pato for pushing for this programme. We hope to do more learnership, trainings and other activities with this group next year. We took about 25 mentors to Chapman’s peak for their end of the year braai and it was a fun day of dancing and interacting with one another.

We couldn’t be so proud of our grade 12 students, who spend an afternoon at the Water front and each had a voucher to use to buy clothes or food for home from Pick n Pay and also spend a night at Athol and Alison Airbnb home stay. They finish off with a picnic at the beach and they were joined by staff and few of the mentors. We all shared our experiences after grade 12 and positives and the negatives. They were encouraged not to give up no matter what the results will be.



Well done to all our students who have passed and are moving to a next grade. We all hope that 2021 will be a better year full of life. We would like to say thank you very much for believing in us, thank you for supporting our young people. Thank you for creating job opportunity and bringing hope and changing lives. Your financial support has really done amazing things in this difficult year where the world has been in such a distress because of the pandemic. Lets all move together in 2021 and we are hoping for more doors to be open for Sakhisizwe YDP.

“Together we can build a nation” “We are all in this together” “Umntu ngumntu ngabantu” Happy festive season...

Kind regards

Mhinti Pato & team