

# **TONGAAT CHILD AND FAMILY WELFARE SOCIETY**

## **CHILDREN'S FUND**

### **GUIDING WORKING DOCUMENT**

#### **1. PREAMBLE**

As a leading provider of welfare services, the Tongaat Child and Family Welfare Society is committed to alleviating and eradicating social problems through effective programmes so that lives of individuals and families are enhanced. Therapeutic services are rendered on a wide range of social challenges, namely, child abuse and neglect, foster care, abandoned children, adoption services, marital discord and family conflict, custody investigations, application for birth and death registration, HIV/AIDS guidance, counseling and support, teenage pregnancy, suicide, material assistance, grief and trauma counseling.

#### **2. SERVICES OFFERED TO OUR CHILDREN**

A wide range of child protection services are rendered to our children. Life skills programmes are rendered to our children regularly. In addition we have crèches in Frasers, Burbreeze, Sitaram, Gwala's Farm and Ocean Drive Inn. Our toy libraries are operational in Burbreeze, Magwaveni, Ocean Drive Inn, Lungelani and Gwala's Farm. Our Homework Centres at Trubel Primary, Burbreeze and Truro Empowerment Centre, provide for educational stimulation of children from disadvantaged communities. At the Truro Empowerment Centre learners make use of our fully functional Computer Centre which is equipped with internet facilities. All our services are provided at no cost to our children.

#### **3. OUR SCHOOL FEEDING SCHEME PROJECT**

During their visits to schools our social work staff realized that many learners did not have any nutrition before coming to school. This led to the commencement of our feeding scheme in 2010.

#### **4. OUR CHILDREN'S FUND**

Many schools and individuals expressed a desire to assist in the feeding scheme and to get involved with educational services provide to our learners. On 22 August 2012 our Children's Fund was launched.

## **5. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE CHILDREN'S FUND**

- To provide a nutritious breakfast cereal to all needy children before the commencement of the school day.
- To establish more homework centres where they are needed.
- To install computers with internet facilities at these centres when funds are available.
- To provide school uniforms to needy learners.
- To hold Vacation Programmes at our Homework Centres.
- To hold regular Life Skills Programmes for advocacy and empowerment.
- To provide any other social services that the children may need.

## **6. FINANCES OF THE CHILDREN'S FUND**

- The society will have a separate Children's Fund Account.
- All monies collected will be deposited into the fund account and used exclusively for the children (as outlined in the Aims and Objectives).
- All administration cost will be borne by the society and not by the Fund.
- The Fund's finances will be audited annually and presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Society.

## **7. CRITERIA FOR DISTRIBUTION**

School and crèches needing the services covered by the Children's Fund will request the same in writing from the society. No reasonable request will be refused, provided that monies or facilities are available. The Society will reserve the right to engage with the requesting party before services are provided.

## **8. FUND RAISING TARGET GROUPS**

Our target groups will include Schools, Businesses Houses, Community Based Organisations, Faith Based Organisations, Communities Members and all other interested parties.

## **9. PROTOCOL FOR FUNDRAISING**

- A meeting will be held with all interested parties to discuss fund raising.
- The Society will vet all parties in terms of feasibility and risk.
- Collection forms will be distributed to approved individuals and organisations.
- Payment and collection options will be discussed with all participating parties.

## **10. SUSTAINABILITY OF THE FUND**

In addition to the support from our target groups the following fundraising initiatives, among, others will be used.

- Cake and jumble sales
- Dinner and Dance
- Fun Run
- Concerts
- Sports Days
- Mini Fetes

## **11. GENERAL**

The Tongaat Child and Family Welfare Society wishes to thank all individuals and organisations for their continued support.

**“Together we make a difference”**

**“Our Community our Concern”**