



beautifulgate

Together Bringing Hope to Children & Families

# 2012 - 2013 Annual Report



beautifulgate, south africa



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## Our Mission

**Beautiful Gate South Africa seeks to reflect God's image as we care for and protect children, empower and preserve families and mobilise our community.**

We are a non-denominational Christian organisation that demonstrates the love of God by helping all those in need, no matter what their background or faith. We believe that children grow best in a family, and the best people to support families are their local community. We therefore aim to build community networks while caring for children and supporting families.



# Reports from the Chairperson & Director

## Chairperson

As I sit down to report on the activities of the last financial year, I am pleased to inform you that Toby and Aukje Brouwer have returned from their sabbatical refreshed and re-energised, and Toby is keen to resume his role as Chairperson of the Board, effective April 2013. For their support and commitment over the past year I would like to thank and commend the rest of the Board. They voluntarily commit one evening a month to meet and seek God's wisdom in the governance and affairs of Beautiful Gate, and the organisation benefits tremendously from their combined insights and experience.

It has also been my privilege over the past year to support Dr Vaughan Stannard as Executive Director – in him Beautiful Gate has a leader who God has gifted with leadership, humility, and a compelling vision for strengthening and supporting families in Lower Crossroads and Philippi.

As an organisation operating in the heart of Lower Crossroads we share the residents' experiences of disruptions due to protest action, and robbery. In all such events, the safety of our children and staff onsite has been paramount and the leadership team is to be especially commended for their handling of all such situations.

In closing, we look back on another year in which God has blessed us with all the right people – people who support us financially, those that prayerfully oversee the running of the organisation, and folk that invest daily through their work in the lives of children and families in Lower Crossroads. Our thanks to you all!

**Susan Farrell, Acting Chairperson**

## Director

Looking back, I am glad to say that this past year has allowed us to serve more community members across a broader range of ages and stages of life than ever before. By caring for children we also help communities to develop a stronger sense of dignity and capacity to care for one another. Working in the non-profit sector is always challenging with a struggle for resources, battling social injustice and poverty, but it is also filled with very memorable experiences!

By far one of the most satisfying experiences of this year has been seeing children go “home” in a better emotional, physical, spiritual and mental state than when they arrived at our Child Care Centre. Another joy has been the privilege of being part of the journey of parents in Crossroads as they seek to be the best parents they can be! Our young people too, continue to make us proud as they grow in confidence and character, and in learning to serve others.

Perhaps the area which has shown the most growth and received the most usage in terms of numbers has to be the Resource Centre. Providing information and linking young people to opportunities to work and study has had tremendous rewards. We are also grateful to Hope Africa Collective, our on-site partners who support us in helping young people reach for their dreams.

I would like to thank all the staff, board and partners for the wonderful experience I have of being able to work alongside you as we demonstrate God's love every day.

**With gratitude, Vaughan Stannard**

# Programme Highlights

4017  
visitors to the  
Resource  
Centre

650 children  
reached through  
holiday clubs

497  
children on  
HIV treatment

300 women  
empowered  
through Diginty  
Campaign

163 families  
benefitted from  
food parcels

146 parents  
provided with  
training

72 families  
provided with  
grant access

65 teenagers  
on lifeskills

26 children in  
Child & Youth  
Care Centre

13 children  
reunified with a  
family

## Some notable developments of the Year



### Improving skills through training:

Our Child Care Workers continued with modules of Further Education and Training in childcare with the National Association for Child Care Workers (NACCW). This training will enable participants to better understand their role and implement the changing practices in child care and development.

### Continuous Improvement:

We have been awarded a second star by the Hospice Palliative Care Association of SA following assessments of our governance, management and palliative child care standards. We have also updated our policies on access to care and patient's rights, management standards as well operational standards relating to multi disciplinary teams (MDT).

# Community Support

**Children have been at the centre of our work since inception almost 19 years ago. As Nelson Mandela noted, a nation's character is measured by the way it cares for its children.**

There are many issues facing our nation and communities and children unfortunately are often the defenceless victims. While we deal with numerous cases of child abuse, we are grateful that stories of hope emerge. The Child & Youth Care Centre has been a central part of these stories of hope for vulnerable children needing a safe place. As a child protection organization our role is to make sure that children are kept safe from physical and emotional harm. Key activities for the year included the HIV treatment programme, residential care, child education and development through home work support, afterschool activities and facilitation of appropriate schooling.



## Child & Youth Care

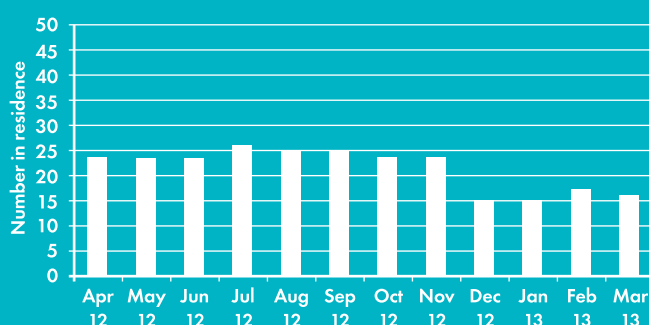
**Our cottages are now bright & colourful, in keeping with their floral names.**

This year we have focused on revamping the cottages. Repainting has begun as this was last done some years back. Thus far three cottages have been painted and "renewed" thanks to generous donations from some of our regular supporters. We want to create homes that signify our values of caring, love, life and fun.

The Child Care Team welcomes a new supervisor, Zuziwe Ncanywa who will guide, coach and help the care staff in performing their roles. She will also help the team in interpreting and implementing our Child Protection principles.

While children are re-unified throughout the year, (see graph), most of our children are able to be re-unified at the end of each school year.

**CHILDREN IN THE CHILD & YOUTH CARE CENTRE**



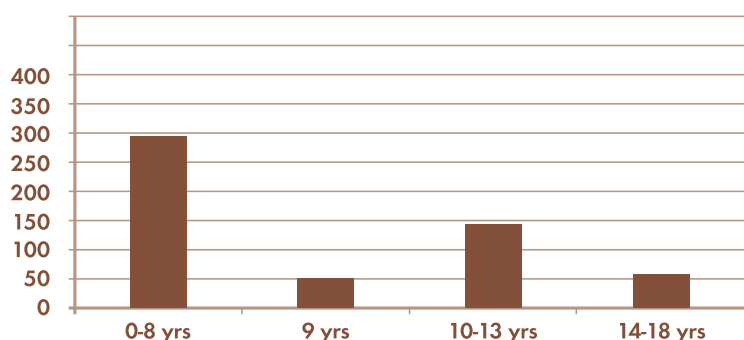


## Medical Support

**Around the world, HIV practitioners recognize that children growing up into their adolescent years infected by HIV face difficult social and emotional challenges, despite their health improving through anti-retroviral treatment access.**

Although health is a key issue for children affected by HIV/AIDS, they and their families still face numerous other struggles. In particular, infected children entering their adolescence are particularly at risk of experiencing significant social and emotional challenges as they understand more of the implications of their disease, how they contracted it and how this will affect the rest of their life. For this reason, we have begun to focus our efforts in our Crossroads Clinic partnership on ensuring adequate Adolescent services such as support groups, staff training and appropriate spaces for teens. Our formal agreement with the Department of Health continues and we would like to thank all our partners in the Crossroads 2 HIV Children's Clinic service for their dedication to improving the lives of children in this community.

**CHILDREN ON HIV TREATMENT**



Sadly, our dedicated nursing assistant Nzwaki Mokwena passed way unexpectedly in January and we will certainly miss her unwavering love for the children. Since the resignation of our professional nurse in 2012 we have continued to seek a fulltime nurse replacement and trust we shall find the right person in the new year.

## Reunification

**The family is the basic unit of our society and helping children re-integrate with a long term family is an integral part of our work.**

We have a team of social workers who make weekly visits to the community and potential families. The aim is to open up communication between the child and the family or the potential family. Other activities include arranging host parents during weekends and holidays, liaising with government social workers and the courts, and of course, overseeing the placement of the child with the best possible family option.

During the year a total of 13 children were reunified which is similar to last year. Only one child was able to be placed with foster parents. We were particularly glad for a number of our big boys who also left to join their new families at last. It is always a sad moment for the mothers in the Child Care Centre and the remaining children to say farewell, having bonded with these kids over the time of their stay with us. On the positive side, it is also always a joy and privilege to see them enter a new chapter in their life.

# Community Development

**Though our Community Development Programmes we continue to explore innovative ways to empower community members facing poverty and unemployment.**

We realize that our scope is sometimes limited by issues caused and entrenched by a wide range of systematic social ills. It is out of this understanding that we are continuously engaging fellow like-minded partners who can join hands to tackle and address issues.

## Resource Centre

**We are grateful to see many members from the local community utilizing and benefitting from the Resource Centre.**

The centre is open 5 days a week including Saturday and is staffed by our team as well as dedicated and enthusiastic student volunteers who come to help out and learn in the centre. One improvement is the increase in the number of computers in the computer room to accommodate more users at the same time. Many of these visitors are searching for career opportunities while others are searching for places to study or for bursaries and scholarships. We also conducted 4 career workshops and individual career guidance is ongoing.

During the year we served a total of 4017 visitors to the Resource Centre with the main goal being to help them access the right information to make the most of the available opportunities and reach their best potential.

## Youth Development

**We are passionate about working with the future leaders of South Africa.**

Our Life Skills programme seeks to invest in the character of our teens and expose them to opportunities. It is wonderful to see young people whose lives are changing positively by the experience. We are also excited that two of our recent Life Skills participants have decided to join us as interns for the year! Interns help by supporting the youth worker and assists in organising youth activities and learning to run Life Skills sessions.

We are in the process of running a pilot soccer programme in partnership with Sports Implementation Foundation which will help us discern the best approach for using sport to develop and disciple young people. So far, 8 coaches and teams have signed up to a coaching and lifeskills programme and we look forward to everything we will learn.



Some of our youth development key outputs were as follows:

- 3 holiday clubs run by the Teens **reaching 650 children**
- 4 “Going Deeper” camps for boys and girls **reaching 65 teenagers**
- Weekly life skills sessions **reaching 65 teenagers**
- 4 career workshops for **unemployed people**
- Hosting a community **Youth Day** event - July
- Piloting a soccer coaching and life skills programme with 8 coaches and **160 children**



Because we believe in developing people, the Life Skills teenagers are actively involved in planning and implementing their activities and events. For example, camp themes and topics are proposed by the teens themselves to remain relevant to the particular struggles they are facing, be it age, gender or community specific. Some of the teens participate as volunteers in Beautiful Gate events giving them a chance to have an understanding of a work environment and learning to manage responsibility.

This year we are glad to say that we were able to reach close to 1000 young people.

## Strengthening Families

The Resource Centre has not only been a door to opportunities for youth, it has also become the hub of support to families.

Our aim is to bring hope to families at their point of need. Parents of all ages, from young mothers to grandmothers to child headed families come to our centre with different social challenges needing advice or assistance. This year we are thankful to have three social work students from the University of Western Cape that our senior social worker has been mentoring. The student social workers help reduce the workload as they do basic family assessments, assist families, organise parent training workshops, visit families and help draft reports. They also assist by recruiting parents and facilitating some of the parental training workshops alongside our senior social worker.



A total of 180 families were assessed and provided with information and advice, 10 child headed families continue to be supported while 146 parents participated in the parental training workshops. Some 72 families were assisted with grant access while a further 163 families benefited from food parcels.



# New Projects & Partnerships

## The Dignity Campaign

Beautiful Gate South Africa has grown from strength to strength since the new centre was opened in 2004.

This year we launched a new initiative – the ‘Dignity Campaign’ in partnership with MPower Cups and Beautiful Gate International, focusing on improving women’s health and empowerment in the townships. Through the ‘Dignity Campaign’ we aim to address some of the challenges women in this country face in a holistic way. The campaign not only provides access to better sanitary health solutions but also focuses on the general wellbeing of women. This intervention is critical, especially as millions of women and girls from poorer communities cannot afford basic hygiene and sanitary products compromising their health and dignity. Women play an important role in raising families and children and this intervention has an impact on strengthening families and empowering women and communities.

The campaign started with a mini pilot event running from 26 May 2012 followed by another one on 2 June and then 6 June in 2012. Our first order of 300 menstrual cups was placed in April 2012 with MPowercups. We are excited to see the outcome of this pilot campaign in the future!



## Partnerships

At Beautiful Gate we are tremendously grateful for the role our partners play in reaching out to beneficiaries.

Through these partners we share resources, skills and best practices. The need in the community is significant and as the scale of our work is limited we need other partners to work alongside us as together we are stronger and can do more.





## A New Monitoring & Evaluation System

**Towards the end of 2012 we began implementing a new monitoring and evaluation system – Salesforce Non-Profit.**

As we implement our projects and document some of our experiences, we have realised the need to strengthen our Monitoring & Evaluation system especially in terms of profiling beneficiaries. This ensures that we reach our target population and stream them to the right services.

The system also enables us to create a process and structure of data capturing and reporting on all community development activities.

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# Organisational Support

## Finance & Fundraising

**With the privilege of serving participants and beneficiaries in our communities, we realize again and again how valuable you, our supporters and funders are, in being partners in the work.**

It is a humbling experience to acknowledge the commitment of our supporters whether for a single donation, a regular gift or a donation in kind. Thank you, one and all. The government through the Department of Social Development (DoSD) has always been a key pillar of support to us in terms of technical and funding support. This past year, the DoSD contributed 35% of funding to the Child Care Centre and 18% to the entire budget. Total expenditure grew from R4.7m last year to R5.7m this year due to our growing community development projects as well as sustainability projects costs; expenditure was within 4% our budget of R5.6m.

We continue to raise the profile of our organization by connecting to supporters through our regular publications and increasingly, the use of social media. The Beautiful Gate Rider Challenge has become a key calendar event which ran for the fourth year with great success raising R230, 000 with 49 riders cycling to raise funds for Beautiful Gate via the Cape Argus Pick n Pay Cycle Tour. Once again we want to express our gratitude to our regular Rider Challenge sponsors: **Tullow Oil SA (major organizing sponsor), Rennies Travel, Reeds Motor Group, Deloitte, Schlumberger and their staff along with our special ambassador, Dr Michael Mol, for supporting this event.**

Photo: Dr Michael Mol and Joshua cycling the Argus



# Sustainability Initiatives

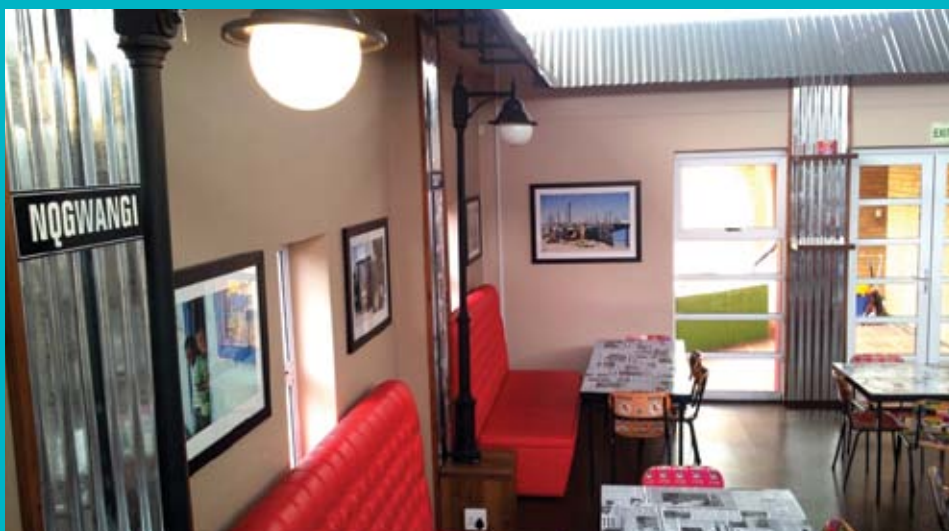
## Beautiful Gate continues to explore ways to enhance financial sustainability.

While donors will remain critical partners to our work, we are actively looking at ways to meet funding gaps when funders scale down. Beautiful Gate has been on a journey of seeking innovative and creative solutions to the challenge of sustainability. Solutions have centered around maximizing our strengths, such as our high quality facility and available land, and on strategic partnerships to foster sustainability. We are seeking partnerships in order to meet these challenges. Such partnerships will utilize the existing infrastructure, one example being the kitchen and dining facility which has been converted into The Crossroads Café - [www.thecrossroadscafe.co.za](http://www.thecrossroadscafe.co.za) to create a small income generation project as well as promote skills development in the future.



The income from The Crossroads Café as well as the potential for this restaurant to host community events will provide funds and of course, meals to feed the vulnerable children admitted to the Centre's children's home. In the future, we hope that this initiative will be able to empower community members to learn catering skills and increase their employment opportunities

It is important to note that sustainability initiatives only fill the small gaps in income; donations and grants remain vital sources of our funding.



Our restaurant, **The Crossroads Café** is now available for hire to groups and organizations.

Visit:

[www.thecrossroadscafe.co.za](http://www.thecrossroadscafe.co.za)

**Contact Sylvia to book:**

Call: 021 3702500

Email: [sylviab@beautifulgate.org](mailto:sylviab@beautifulgate.org)



## Facilities

**Major works included revamping the restaurant and kitchen into 'The Crossroads Cafe', with funding thanks to Beautiful Gate Holland.**

We have upgraded the restaurant in order to host group and corporate functions and to assist us to generate income to fund the Child Care Centre. We adopted a "township chic" theme in branding the Cafe and want to thank all the children, teens and staff who were part of the project. We were also able to install new training ovens in the kitchen.

### Some of the other new equipment and changes include:

- Started to renovate the children's cottages (project should continue into 2013/14)
- We are grateful to Comtel who now provide us with free wireless internet through their SENT programme which has helped to improve our communication and connectivity.
- Installed fire detectors and improved the fire alarm system in the Child & Youth Care Centre.
- Relocation of the offices for the Child & Youth Care Centre
- Improved security doors and burglar bars for the Child & Youth Care Centre and Resource Centre.



# Financial Information

## Beautiful Gate South Africa

### Summarised Annual Audited Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 March 2013

#### 1. Statement of Comprehensive Income

	2013 R	2012 R
<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>5,855,945</b>	<b>4,573,562</b>
Unrestricted Donations	1,897,342	1,537,819
Restricted Donations	2,301,502	1,936,169
National Lottery Distribution Trust Fund	397,000	-
Government Grant	1,066,368	852,028
Contributions for Services	193,733	247,546
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>1,510,579</b>	<b>54,548</b>
Profit on the sale of land and buildings	1,410,855	-
Interest received	99,724	54,548
	<b>7,366,524</b>	<b>4,628,110</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>5,598,182</b>	<b>4,704,381</b>
Child & Youth Care	2,574,047	3,039,071
Community Family Support	609,833	67,358
Community Medical Care	878,558	711,160
Sustainability Projects	180,950	-
Youth Development	870,131	678,481
Community Groups Development & Resource Centre	472,663	196,311
Audit Fee	12,000	12,000
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>1,768,342</b>	<b>(76,271)</b>
Less: Transfer profit on sale of land & buildings to accumulated funds	(1,410,855)	-
<b>NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>357,487</b>	<b>(76,271)</b>

#### 2. Statement of Financial Position

	2013 R	2012 R
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Non-current Assets	13,910,993	12,562,170
Current Assets	1,970,216	1,564,280
	<b>15,881,209</b>	<b>14,126,450</b>
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		
Accumulated Funds	14,473,904	12,705,562
Restricted Funds	494,108	679,923
Reserve	693,000	597,000
Current Liabilities	220,197	143,965
	<b>15,881,209</b>	<b>14,126,450</b>

#### 3. Summarised Report Of The Independent Auditor

I have audited the annual financial statements of Beautiful Gate South Africa for the year ended 31 March 2013. These financials are the responsibility of the board members. My responsibility is to report on these financial statements.

In my opinion the annual financial statements fairly represent the financial position of Beautiful Gate South Africa as at 31 March 2013 and the result of it's activities for the year then ended in accordance with the records and information supplied to me.

**GEORGE W CLOETE, Registered Auditor**

# Sponsor a Child

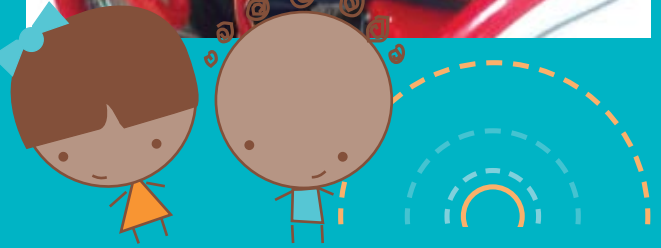
**Will you join us in making a difference to a child's life?**

Your monthly gift allows us to find and strengthen families for children who need them, while you get to know more about the children in our care through regular updates.

**For info on 'Sponsor a Child':**

**Email:** [support@beautifulgate.org](mailto:support@beautifulgate.org)

**Phone:** +27 (0)21 370 2500



## Thank you, dankie, siyabulela, siyabonga & merci

**We sincerely appreciate your kind support and donations.** Your gifts enable us to continue bringing hope to children, families and their local communities.

Giving regularly shows your valuable commitment to our mission. To our regular givers and Sponsor a Child supporters – through your giving we are able to make a difference.

## Acknowledgements to our major supporters in 2012-13:

A Mcdougall • Aids Bannerthon • Anne Synove Mo • Apex HI Charitable Trust • Argus Riders • M Beattie • Beautiful Gate Holland • Beautiful Gate UK • Beautiful Gate USA • Bethany Community Church • Binink • City Of Cape Town • D & K Grant • Deloitte • Dept Of Social Development • DG Murray Trust • Ernst And Young • Garden Cities Inc • G Visser • G Turner • Hilder • Hitchings • HPCA (Hospice) • J Dickstein • JL Fourie • J Feddersen • JS Overett • K Hendricks • Kingston Grammar School • Lerato's Hope • Low and Co - Gray • Low and Co - Mathers • Low and Co - Saunders • A Munro • National Lottery (NLDTF) • Nedbank PW Foundation • Panda Bamboo • R Hughes • Reeds Motor Group • Rennies Travel • Rolf Stephan Nussbaum Foundation • South African Chef's Association • Schlumberger • Stewardship Services • Stichting Liberty • T Howard • Takealot • Tereza • The Jerusalem Trust • T & S Henshall • Tullow Oil SA • Vereniging Primary • Vestry of All Saints Church • Wispeco



# Our memorable moments...

The Major receiving a gift from children



Teens performing a dance



Zekie, our staff member with volunteers



Junior soccer tournament



Parents award ceremony



Annual celebration 2012



Stakeholders at Annual Celebration 2012



Parents award ceremony



Kids queuing for jumping castle



Dr Michael Mol + Joshua cycling the Argus



Play park at the Child Care Centre



Youth Drama Festival







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# Please join us

**Make a difference by being a partner in our work.** We are

funded through the generosity of those who support us. Those able to commit to a regular donation also give us the gift of being able to plan ahead.

**Donations can be made by cheque, postal order, or by a bank transfer to:**

Account name: Beautiful Gate South Africa

Standard Bank, Blue Route branch (branch no. 02 56 09)

Account no: 07 20 29 773, SWIFT Code: SBZAJJ

**If you are in the UK or the USA** you may find it more convenient to give through our tax-exempt partner in each of those countries. Please email us for details.

**If you are in the Netherlands**, and would like to give through Beautiful Gate Holland, please contact: [office@beautifulgate.nl](mailto:office@beautifulgate.nl)

