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1. MESSAGE FROM THE RADIANCE TEAM

Since the need and idea for the Radiance Foundation transpired in 2013 and it was formally registered in 2014, a lot has happened and we are extremely priviledged that our dream of having a successful fundraising organisation for the less-priveleged has come to live. We had a very succesful few years and in the past year we once again managed to raise sufficient funds to conducts our Saturday cataract surgeries. Such a feeling of accomplishment is not easily matched.

Our very succesful fundraising event at the Crown Restaurant, Meerendal in October 2016 was a highlight on our agenda to date! We were proud that the Radiance Foundation was showcased as a highly esteemed NPO that has the full support of the Department of Health. We are thankful that so many contributors were eager to partner with us, and that the evening went so smoothly. The Radiance team is looking forward to organise more events such as these in future to bring more awareness to our cause.

We are committed to continue doing our part to help bring a ray of hope to the visually impaired in the Western Cape.

2. HIGHLIGHTS OF 2016 – 2017

2.1. Saturday Surgeries

Through dr Junet van dr Merwe and her invaluable efforts to implement the agreement of cooperation with the Eersterivier Hospital Eye Clinic and the Department of Health of the Western Cape, we have managed to successfully conduct 60 cataract surgeries and did 100 screenings for the financial year ending 28 February 2017.

In terms of this agreement we pay the staff and the consumables, in exchange for the use of the facilities and teatre.

2.2. Fundraiser 28 October 2016

We need ± R42,000.00 per Saturday to be able to conduct these Saturday surgeries/ screenings. That required a massive fund raising event to enable us to pay the wages for the staff and hospital consumables for even one such Saturday.

On 28 October 2016 we held a fundraiser at Meerendal's Crown Restaurant. We had a 3 course meal, with entertainment before and during the dinner, and a wine & art auction afterwards.

Through the combined efforts by the board of Radiance Foundation and the valuable contributions of all the bidders at the auction, we managed to raise an astronomical R210,150.00! After deduction of all the expenses, we had R101,544.00 to spend on Saturday surgeries.

We would like to thank each contributor to the event for making this the success it was. Each one helped almost 50 people to see again! Thank you, thank you....

2.3. Donations

On the note of fundraising, we have additionally to the fundraiser secured 2 large donations this year that enabled us to conduct even more the surgeries this financial year. We are immensely thankful to these donors who has helped us make our dream come true, and who have enabled the blind to see.

a. Mr. Leon Lourens
b. Distell Foundation

A massive and heartwarming thank you!!

2.4. Media and branding

We had interviews on Bokradio to promote our fundraiser. We also had an article published in the Tygerburger and Visio magazine with excellent exposure for our cause.

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3. FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Our financial statements speak for itself. We have made a profit of R 84,107.60 which we can continue to invest in the Saturday surgeries we aim to continue with.

4. FUTURE PLANS

As the Saturday urgeries are cash intensive, we need to continue our efforts to raise funds constantly in order to continue to provide sight to the blind and visually impaired. We are invested in continuing with our cooperation agreement with the Eerste River Eye Clinic and believe they also appreciate our efforts to relieve the burden on the state for providing these important surgeries.

5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We want to thank each and everyone who have contributed to our cause and have supported us to date, whether it has been financially or a supportive role. We look forward to establish more relationships and networks in future. Be assured that any contributions and means of support are sincerely appreciated.