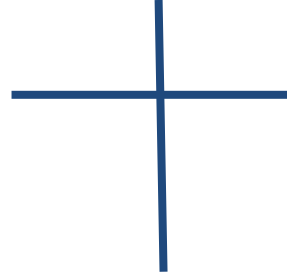




**TRANSCAPE
PROGRAMME
REPORT
JAN-JUNE
2018**

**TRANSCAPE NPO
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME**

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Transcape Scholarship Report June 2018

Summary

Public Schools in the rural area of Eastern Cape struggle to provide quality education and many learners fail their final exams. Furthermore, the lack of alternative educational facilities limits motivated student' s opportunities to advance academically. Jay Masibulela Siya is the project manager for the Scholarship Project. This project aims to provide a supplement to the current governmental education programs, and benefit the entire Mankosi community and shine the future of the youth through education.

Introduction

Transcape' s after-School enrichment program gives our teachers the opportunity to identify promising pupils.

Since the start of the program in 2006 we have been sending diligent, hardworking learners to larger Schools in Mthatha or East London that provide more opportunities.

Transcape will cover 4 years of scholarship, thus grade 10, 11, 12 and first year University.

For 2018 we have admitted 3 new scholarship students.

Overview – Our Students

Athabile Gebengani finished her grade 12 in the end of 2017 but her results were not satisfactorily for the courses she wants to do in University. The reason for the underperformance was private health issues and therefore absence from School. She was given a second chance to better her results at KCC High School in 2018. She is repeating her matric year, which will be her last year of scholarship with Transcape.

Sibusisiwe Siya is busy doing her grade 12 at Dalinyebo High School, Mthatha. Currently in her 3rd year of the scholarship

Awethu Ntlangano is busy doing her grade 11 at Dalinyebo High School, Mthatha. Currently in her 2nd year of the scholarship.

Philiswa Songqwaba is busy doing her grade 10 at Dalinyebo High School, Mthatha. Currently in her 1st year of the scholarship.

Madsiditso Pitso is busy doing her grade 10 at Dalinyebo High School, Mthatha. Currently in her 1st year of the scholarship.

Abonga Jampo is busy doing his grade 10 at Dalinyebo High School, Mthatha. Currently in his 1st year of the scholarship.

Musa Jampo is busy doing grade 9 at Sikoma Secondary School in Mankosi.

1. Athabile Gebengani



School Name: King Commercial School

Grade: 12 (redoing)

Town: Mthatha OR Thambo local Municipality

I am very glad to be in School this year again, redoing grade 12 in KCC. I am doing grade twelve for the second time this year because the

passing percentage I have got last year wasn't equivalent for University admission and also the career I wanted to study for, which is accounting. I started School in February this year after I had a lot of challenges just to get admitted for grade twelve. This is because most Schools do not take repeaters. I was very worried when I got my results. I thought I won't get a School to redo grade twelve this year. I am so happy now that I am back in School doing grade 12 again. KCC is very different to my old School. Here we only speak English. None of my current teachers speak IsiXhosa to us. I have no problem with that because I am comfortable communicating in English.

In my studies I focus mainly on subjects like mathematics, accounting and general science. In the meantime I have no complaints about my new School and I enjoy my studies. The only thing that I was not familiar was the long hours at School. We have

lessons until late in the afternoon. That happens for good reason because we have extra classes to get more knowledge. I also doing computers basic skills program but it is not accredited. I like it because it will help me at University. I received my second quarter results and I was very disappointed that I have not achieved. I will work much harder in the next semester and I am determined to pass my matric.

I thank you Transcape scholarship project for being so helpful, I wouldn't be where I am if you did not come to my community.

2. Sibusisiwe Siya



School Name: Dalindyebo Senior Secondary School

Grade: 12

Town: Mthatha OR Thambo local Municipality

My name is Sibusisiwe Siya, I was born in Mankosi community at Nyandeni Local Municipality in Tshani

village, in rural Eastern Cape in South Africa. I was born in one of the disadvantaged families in the area because my father and mother don't have work.

I appreciate the fact Transcape scholarship is helping me in my education as from three years

ago. It has been a great pleasure to study in Dalindyebo high School near Mthatha. I couldn't see any possible way for me to study without Transcape scholarship help.

I would like to take this opportunity to report about my studies in the last six months. I am doing grade 12 this year. It has been a challenging grade so far. A lot work that needed to be done in a very short period of time. There are morning and afternoon classes almost every day. The idea is to stimulate our performance as students and trying to complete the Matric syllabus in time to enable revision before the final exam period arrives. If we manage to complete the syllabus in time, it will allow us to pass grade twelve easier because we will have enough time to dig out every possible style of questions in the exam room. I wrote exams for the second quarter and I think I have done well. My report came back positively and she has achieved with an average of 56%. My chosen subjects for Matric are Consumer Studies, Economics, English, Geography, IsiXhosa, Life orientation, Mathematic.

One again, I thank you very much for supporting my education. I wish you the best.

3. Awethu Ntlangano



School Name: Dalindyebo Senior Secondary School

Grade: 11

Town: Mthatha OR Thambo local Municipality

My name is Awethu Ntlangano, I was born in Mankosi community. I am a Transcape scholarship student for the second year now. I got this opportunity because my father does not have a job, my mother passed away and I am a capable child. Transcape decide to assist me in my education due to these above circumstances. Transcape helps me with my education with everything I need such as School uniforms, food, transport to School and accommodation. Bellow I' ll describe the state of my studies in the last six months.

I' m doing grade 11 as I stated in my introduction and grade 11 is one of the most difficult classes. However, I have been studying very hard to ensure that I get good results. I chose agricultural science because I am very interested in this subject. It became apparent that is a very difficult subject. I ended up taking extra classes to pass.

We are very sorry to let you know that we don' t have Awethu s report card yet. But we inform you as soon as we do.

I real appreciate your support.

4. Philiswa Songqwaba

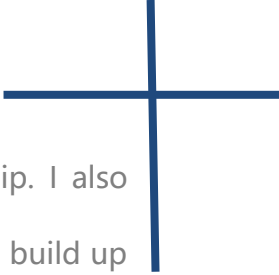


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Grade: 10

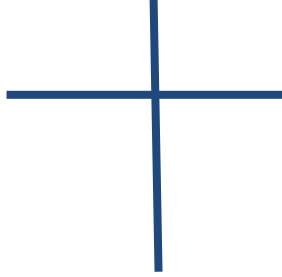
Town: Mthatha OR Thambo local Municipality

First of all I would like to take this opportunity



to thank everyone in Transcape who have contributed to me getting a scholarship. I also thank you all Transcape scholarship sponsors as they played a very important role to build up my life to get a brighter future. Without you I wouldn't be studying as I do now because I have no one who could assist me. My family lives apart, my mother lives in Johannesburg and she has got low paying job and she cannot afford to provide for me. Now I am staying with my aunt who also does not have a proper job to support me and my cousins. This is why I feel highly responsible to thank you all.

In School I am doing Xhosa, English, Accounting, Mathematics, Business studies, Economics and Life Orientation but I don't think I have done very well in Mathematics since the teacher isn't that good. I have achieved the first quarter of the year but failed the second quarter with 40%. I am willing to fight and work very hard to improve my Math's marks. With regards to a solution for the low Math's grades I will consider to look into study groups to enhance my understanding of Math's. I think that will solve the problem. However, it has not been easy for me in the last six months since I am new in the School. I have never been away from home before, now everything is different. I feel a lot of pressure in new things to learn, even making new friends.



5. Abonga Mampinyose



School Name: Dalindyebo Senior Secondary School

Grade: 10

Town: Mthatha OR Thambo local Municipality

I feel very happy to be part of Transcape scholarship program. I completed the first 6 month in Dalinyebo School. Everything is still new to me and in addition to that, it's my first

time to be away from home. I have to learn to be independent, make new friends in School and trying to understand the style of teaching of the teachers.

In the resident, I am the youngest in the dorm, so my roommate are taking advantage of me sometimes. They are always asking me do something for them. I hope that will come to an end soon as I am becoming very good friends with them. One thing that I really enjoy in School is sport. The very new type of sport to me in School called rowing. We even had Interschool games and we won as Dalindyebo Senior Secondary School. Our couch bought us

nice goodies and we had a lot fun.

We are very sorry to let you know that Abonga' s report card is not available yet. We pass on the information to you as soon as we received it.

I would like to thank you Transcape by giving me this opportunity.

6. Matsidiso Pitso



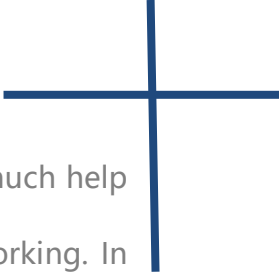
School Name: Dalindyebo Senior Secondary School

Grade: 10

Town: Mthatha OR Thambo local Municipality

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole Transcape team and Transcape scholarship sponsors. These two stakeholders have given my life hope, after not knowing where my destiny is going to take me. But the magic has happened and Transcape has come to help me with my studies which

means a lot to me because education is the most important thing. I look at it as an



opportunity to a better future. I don't have words that would describe exactly how much help you given me. I am writing these words to you because none of my parents are working. In fact I don't have a father. My sister who is working, is earning very little income and she is saving to brighten her own future, which is understandable.. I used to attend Transcape after School Enrichment Program in Mdumbi Education Center since I was a very young. I did not know that there will be a reward for being in Mdumbi Education Center. I have been gaining lots of knowledge in this After School Program and now I feel very privileged to be in Transcape Scholarship Program.

I started in January 2018. I really enjoy studying grade 10 this year under Transcape' s wing. In my School I'm doing following subjects: Geography, Life science, Mathematics, Life Orientation, Computer Application Technology, English and IsiXhosa. I enjoy a lot Computer Application Technology because I think it will be helpful, when I reach University level. These days we cannot do without technology and it will forever give me a head start. Another thing I like at my new School is sport. I was not a sporty person before but now I really enjoy it. Sport helps to get new friends as well. The half year report was very positive. I passed with an average of 52%.

7. Musa Jampo

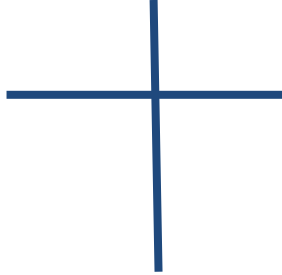


School Name: Sikoma Secondary School

Grade: 9

Town: Nyandeni local municipality

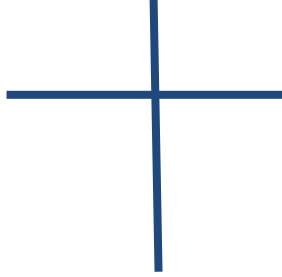
My name is Musa Jampo, I was born in Mankosi Community in Tshani village under Nyandeni local municipality. I am studying grade nine this year. Transcape NPO is my community organization that assists poor local people with education. They started to help me in education since I was young. I have been getting financial support from Transcape Non-profit organization which is based in the area. I started School with the above mentioned organization' s Pre-school, at a very young age. I started Pre-school one year earlier than others. In the same year I started Pre-school my mother passed away. I never knew my father as he didn' t come to the picture. My mother raised me on by herself. After I lost her, I had no one to support me as child. Therefore, Transcape education center teachers started to support me by sharing their lunch boxes with me because I didn't have anything. My grandmother, who practically had to support me, did not have anything to provide either. Transcape education center teachers shared my life story with Transcape board. As results of that, Transcape started to support me as child by making sure I have something to eat every day. Their education center staff noticed my intelligence at grade R level in literacy, numeracy and



life skills. They also saw that I was supporting other children at School.

Transcape decided to accept me on the scholarship project. Since then, I was attending School in Mthatha to access better education. I have been studying in Mthatha for seven years and later Transcape together with me and my grandmother decided to take me back to the local School so that I can bond with my grandmother. However, there are still costs for studying although I am in the local School. When I am old, I want to be a pilot or study computer science. I would like to ask parental and financial support so that I can study and make my future better. I did well the last 6 months. I passed all subjects and had an average of 55%. His subjects are English, life orientation, Creative Arts, Economic Management Science, Technology, Natural science, Mathematics, Social studies.

I thank you Transcape and scholarship project donors for being so helpful in my studies.



Conclusion

We thank you as the Transcape team for your generous support.

Without you, these kids would be stranded in rural Transkei and would never unfold to their full potential.

Don' t hesitate to contact me, if any queries arise.

Yours sincerely,

Astrid Gifford