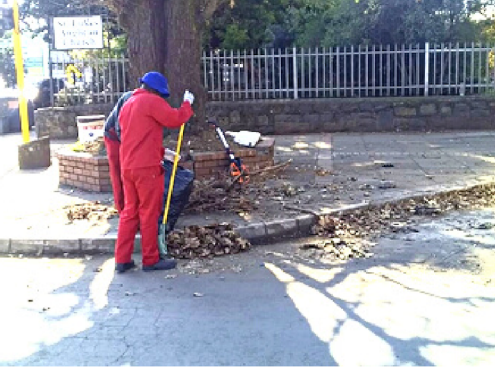


# WELCOME!

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF LOVE HOWICK



WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET, BUT WE MAKE  
A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE - Winston Churchill

## LIFE BEST ENJOYED

I have had the privilege of engaging in many meaningful conversations with the 'experienced' members of our community who have lived adventurous lives and chosen to retire and spend their last days in our idyllic Midlands community. A common word of advice that I often hear from them is that 'life is not to be endured, but rather enjoyed.' While most of us are stuck in the rat race of trying to make a living, we need to heed the call to shift gears and live for purpose instead of a paycheck.

Indeed, lasting fulfilment and enjoyment are never found in what we accumulate or the accolades that line our walls, but it's found in what we gave, who we loved and how we served - all culminating in a legacy of memories worth cherishing.

Can we set an example for the culture around us? Can we be the ones who focus on the priority of giving instead of accumulating?



Let's create a generosity movement and see how far we can out-give our natural tendency to selfishly think of ourselves.

Maybe we need this gear shift to bring the much-needed 'revival of the soul' that this world is desperately crying out for.

**I know I'm all in - will you join me?**



# TOGETHER, WE HAVE EXCELLED

By investing in Transformation, you have helped us achieve the following between 1 February and 31 July 2022



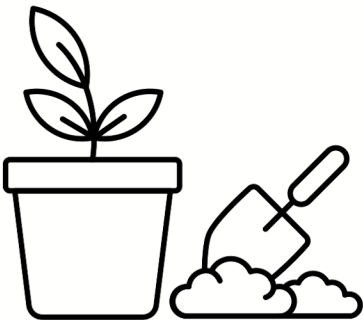
**3 tons** of litter and refuse cleared from public spaces



**7 912 kgs** of waste collected and recycled



**933m<sup>2</sup>** of gardens cleared and replanted



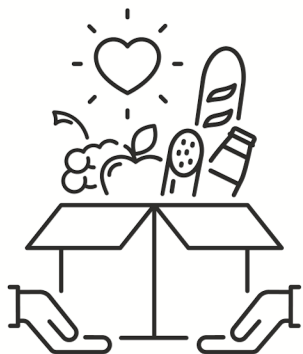
**9 321.4 m<sup>2</sup>** of road gutters cleared of weed



**6 740 m<sup>2</sup>** of cemetery grounds cut, cleared and tidied



**17 472** volunteer hours served in support of Love Howick projects



**496** people received **1 975** articles of clothing and regular food parcels



**1 182** students completed Dream Centre courses



**15** Entrepreneurs have graduated from our Entrepreneurship course



# MEET ONE OF OUR INTERNS

Zothile Zuma (25) is from Lions River and is currently a social Services Intern at Love Howick. She is also a student at the University of KwaZulu-Natal majoring in Psychology and Ethics.



## MERCH ANYONE?

Need some trendy gift ideas, or is it time you treated yourself? You can do both and support Love Howick! Our trendy gift range is available Greendale Superspar, Le Petite, Legacy Coffee Co and J29 at St John's Village. Or purchase directly from Love Howick at 72 Main Street, Howick.

## THANK YOU FAIRFIELD

Fairfield Dairy and Fairfield Farm are two of our amazing Partners for Transformation which are seriously invested in bringing sustainable transformation and upliftment to the people and places within our amazing community. Last month, Love Howick threw a tea party to thank Fairfield for investing in transforming our community.

Thank you, Fairfield!

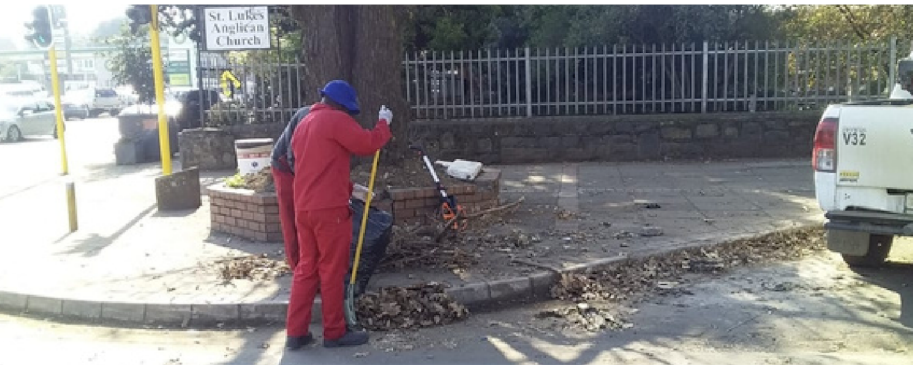
## OUR WISHLIST - CAN YOU HELP?

- Small run-around vehicle
- 40 Sturdy Black chairs
- Trailer - standard width about 3 metres in length. Must include sides, bars and ramp to load machinery
- L-Shaped reception counter for Dream Centre
- Water container and pump to go on a trailer to water plants at various sites
- Bakkie (double cab) proposal for Toyota/Isuzu
- Computers (Windows 10/11)
- Mpophomeni Dream Centre: TV, 30 single desks, 30 chairs, projector, sound bar, urn, 30 mugs, plates, fridge/freezer, outside picnic benches, microwave, whiteboard,
- Social Services: Android tablet
- 8 Veggie garden tunnels
- Midi bus
- Industrial vacuum cleaner
- 8x Brushcutters



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Please email queries, proof of payment as well as the list of item/s you wish to sponsor to [marketing@lovehowick.com](mailto:marketing@lovehowick.com)



# #KEEPUMNGENICLEAN PROJECT ABOUT TO LAUNCH

Clean communities are the key to seeing a sustainable change in our region, encouraging tourists to visit, attracting investment, building civic pride, protecting the environment and enhancing public health

An exciting partnership has been formed between Love Howick, uMngeni Municipality and the Department of Environmental affairs in an EPWP programme. The programme is set to start on the 1st of September 2022 and will be running for a period of three months. A team of 24 hardworking candidates from our love Howick job centre taking to the streets in an intensive environmental and waste management project to remove waste and clean/clear public spaces within our municipality.

Their duties will include: Eradication of illegal dump sites and increasing capacity at the landfill site, e-waste dismantling and educational awareness on environmental issues, clean-ups within our parks, cemeteries and other public spaces and maintaining the bins from our Bin It campaign.

For this campaign to be a success we need your help to provide PPE for the team. Items needed include:

- 24 overalls
- 24 sun hats
- 24 boots
- 24 heavy-duty garden gloves
- 12 brush-cutter safety goggles
- 12 brush-cutter safety aprons
- 6 Wheelbarrows
- 12 spades
- 12 brooms
- 12 plastic rakes
- 12 garden forks
- 6 metal rakes
- Supply of black plastic bags
- Petrol sponsorship for brush-cutters & transport.



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# PARTNERS IN TRANSFORMATION

TOGETHER

Love Howick works because we understand the power of partnerships and in particular, public/private partnerships. To create sustainable transformation within a community, a level of commitment, time and effort is required from every sector - business, government, NGOs, schools and the residents. The power to transform rests in these partnerships. **This month, we celebrate some very special partners who made a BIG difference in August.**



FOR

## PIPPA BOWMAN AND KIM FARDELLA: R&R REAL ESTATE

What many may not realise about these two real estate dynamos, is that they have huge hearts and they really do LOVE Howick!

Since the Love Howick bakkie broke down, we have been left with just a minibus to transport teams, equipment and recycling. And then the minibus needed repair work and we were left with nothing.

Although our friends at Bosch ACS Autoworx Howick billed us for the absolute minimum, the list of repairs ran over a page and the final invoice exceeded R10 000.

After hearing about our dilemma, Pippa and Kim made a plan. That evening, Pippa Whatsapped our marketing manager: "The paint will have to wait glad the bus will work." They had given R10 000 to Love Howick to pay for the bus. Thank you, Pippa and Kim, you really are Agents with Big Hearts!

TRANSFORMATION



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US

This month is our birthday and to celebrate 6 years of transformation we are launching 6 projects this September!

**1** **Spring Day:** On 1 September the Love Howick team was joined by Oasis Preparatory School and volunteers to redesign and tidy the gardens at the Howick municipal offices and library.

**2** **Legacy Project:** The Sizakanane Senior Citizens Clubhouse in Lidgeton is in a sorry state. The club runs feeding schemes, activities and other support services for the senior citizens in its community. The building is in serious need of work and we have partnered with the mayor's office and are asking the community to join us and help secure, refurbish and refurnish the clubhouse. For a complete list of what is needed or to offer your time/skills to help us, please email [projects@lovehowick.com](mailto:projects@lovehowick.com)

**3** **Love on a Hanger:** An exciting new project that collects quality used or unworn clothing to support our micro-entrepreneurship and help combat poverty.

**4** **Welcome signs:** We will be installing welcome signs at entrances to our community

**5** **Mpophomeni Dream Centre:** August delivered wonderful news, in that the lease for the Mpophomeni Dream Centre property was signed. This means that during our birthday month, we hope to be able to begin equipping it and preparing for our first groups of students.

**6** **Greenlight:** In order to design programmes to combat poverty, we need to know exactly what the pain points and poverty look like in our community. Greenlight will help identify these issues, through community surveys and help those surveyed to lift themselves above their circumstances.

Every birthday needs a party! On Thursday 15 September we will be having a tea party for our friends and supporters at 10.30am. Venue: Oasis Hall at 72 Main Road, Howick. RSVP: <https://bit.ly/LH-Birthday>