

## **Non-Profit Organisations give birth to a new meaning to Community Upliftment at Kwa Sani**

Community organizations which are also known as community-based organizations, these are non-profits that operate within a local communities. They are essentially a subset of the wider group of non-profits. Like other non-profits organisation Vukuzithathe Community Health & Welfare Development is also run on a voluntary basis and the Department of Social Development in Underberg opened their wings when they took a resolution to fund this Kwa Sani based NPO which plays a vital role in changing the lives of people of Kwa Sani.

The name speaks for itself and it does not need any explanation, started in 2002 by a woman whose passion for community development is unquestionable, Mrs Ngubane alluded that the people of Kwa Sani must rise and do it for themselves and as the organisation they are there to facilitate that journey whose destination is a place where people are self-reliant and sustainable. The objective for the formation of this organisation was to develop the community holistically, whereby an individual is developed in all spheres psychologically, spiritually, and also looking the aspect of culture. The objective is to alleviate poverty, control the transfer of diseases, job creation, skills development, youth development and to create an income generation project that will sustain the communities around Kwa Sani.

Vukuzithathe developed a vision that is big enough to curb the spread of social ills in our society, they say dynamite comes in small packages; hence Kwa Sani is contributing to the development of the province of Kwa Zulu Natal. The vision of this organisation is to own a hospice and an orphanage home for children, a place where humans can go to off-load their problems and get to be rejuvenated. Tata Madiba once mentioned that it is in our hands to make change in the world that we live in, hence Kwa Sani municipality works closely and embrace the existence of organisations such as Vukuzithathe.

Vukuzithathe was a third runner in the community builder awards; an achievement indeed, Mrs Nonhlanhla Ngubane is a selfless woman who put the needs of other people first, her contribution to poverty alleviation and fighting against social ills at Kwa Sani, she is one of the unsung heroes of the Harry Gwala district and as Kwa Sani we proud ourselves by having such woman of statue.

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