



The New World Foundation

Providing valuable support to the vulnerable in and around Lavender Hill

34 Years ago, the New World Foundation was established as an NGO to support the Lavender Hill community by addressing their immediate needs. Their geographic reach extends beyond their founding community but its head office remains located in that area. Services and support are provided to the community of Vleigroend and the ever growing new informal settlements in the surrounding area.

NWF has grouped its interventions into three main categories, namely:

- Safe Learning Spaces (SLS)
- Conflict Resolution and Mediation (CR&M)
- Education For Work (E4W)

SLS supports marginalised groups in the community and offers care to the chronically ill. The elderly, those infected with HIV/AIDS and the Lesbian Bisexual Gay Transgender and Intersex communities are all beneficiaries. They also provide opportunities for children to get off the streets and engage in positive activities. There is now a thriving LGBTI support group which is the only one of its kind in the southern suburbs and Cape Flats region. With regards to the chronically ill, many doctors at local clinics have recognised the value of the intervention and are referring other patients to the programme.

CR&M provides a safe space for engagement between community and gang members as they attempt to reduce the incidences of violent crime.

E4W offers career guidance for youth seeking employment. They also provide short courses, access to bursaries and employment opportunities, excursions to colleges and computer training. Some young people participating in the programme have been trained in home-based care and are now employed.

The New World Foundation has achieved numerous successes over the years and now provides services to 1100 individuals a month from the age of 5 to 80 years old.



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