

THE BOIKANYO
FOUNDATION
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Our Aim:

To reduce the number of disadvantaged and underprivileged children awaiting life-changing heart surgery.

To improve the Children's Heart Surgery Unit at the Johannesburg Hospital by providing resources and opportunities.

Our Name:

Our name, the Boikanyo Foundation, was proposed by the ICU staff of Johannesburg Hospital. The word originates from Tswana and directly translated means "We rely on you", for it is our nations most destitute and impoverished children that rely on us to change their lives for the better.

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Boikanyo HeartBeat

OUR STORIES

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OUR LITTLE TV STAR

Thanks to the generous donation of a new Heart-Lung Machine to the Charlotte Maxeke Johannesburg Academic Hospital (CMJAH) by the Carte Blanche Making A difference Campaign; Gomolelo Mayikane made Boikanyo history by having her life saving heart operation aired to millions by Carte Blanche.

Gomolelo Mayikane

This brave little 2 year old from Dobsonville, Soweto, was taken by her mother, Martha, in 2007 to the Chris Hani Baragwanath hospital for her routine baby inoculations. It was here that the Sisters at the Hospital noticed that she had a heart murmur. After further investigation, the devastating news was given to Martha that her beautiful baby girl had a hole in her heart and would require surgery. Little Gomolelo came to the CMJAH where the Boikanyo Foundation stepped up to the plate to sponsor her surgery. On the 9th April 2009, Gomolelo underwent surgery to close the hole in her heart (a ventricular septal defect) and to repair one of her heart valves.

Her operation - watched by millions of people across South Africa - was a great success and we can happily report that Gomolelo recovered well. She went home one week later a happy healthy child with a bright future ahead of her. Gomolelo's mother was ecstatic and thanked the Boikanyo Foundation for their support and dedication; adding that she was so happy to be taking her special baby home.



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THANK
YOU
NORTHRIDGE
117
ROUND TABLE:

Thanks to the dedication of the men from Northridge Round Table 117, our family rooms at our Offices are a peaceful place for the families of our young children to rest and relax while their children are having life saving operations.

These rooms were decorated, furnished and given all the home comforts.

The Families who have far to travel and need to stay close by their children during this difficult time, now have a place to call home for a while.

THANKS GUYS

THANK YOU
ROUND TABLE
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In Aid of Paediatric Heart Surgery

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YOU SAVED THESE LITTLE LIVES.

Our Gala Dinner has enabled us with your generous support to sponsor 7 operations here our two of our children who have been successfully operated on thanks to **YOU**.

Lwazi Nkosi

22 month old, Lwazi, lives with his mother and grandparents in Katlehong. While he was still a baby, Lwazi's mother, Lindiwe, noticed that he was weak and sickly, and often appeared to have a very fast heart beat. Lindiwe was concerned about her baby's health and took him to a local doctor where it was suspected that Lwazi had a hole in his heart. He was referred to the Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital where the paediatric cardiologists confirmed that little Lwazi indeed had a hole in his heart (a ventricular septal defect). He was then presented to our heart surgeons at the CM Johannesburg Academic Hospital (CMJAH) for surgery.

Thanks to the generous support at our Gala Dinner whereby this little boy's heart operation was sponsored by you, our guests. His open heart surgery was performed successfully three days after the dinner. After Lwazi recovered nicely, he was soon on his way home. His mother, Lindiwe, was so grateful for the opportunity that The Boikanyo Foundation and our kind sponsors had given her little Lwazi. He has now been given a new hope of living life to the full.



Proceed Mashaba

Little Proceed, who is now 5 years old, lives with her family in Zandspruit, Honeydew. After falling ill from pneumonia, she was taken to her local clinic by her mother, Elizabeth. After extensive testing, the Doctors at the Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital informed Proceed's family that sadly she would need surgery to correct her heart condition. Proceed was then referred to the CMJA Hospital for her life saving open heart surgery.

Thanks to you and your donations at the Gala dinner, Proceed underwent surgery by the Boikanyo Foundation's surgical team to close a hole in her heart. Proceed has recovered well. Shortly after, she went home with her extremely relieved and grateful family. Her mom Elizabeth was in tears when she thanked the team and the very generous sponsors involved in helping Proceed. She knows now that Proceed can go on to lead a healthy, normal life.



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THANKS

The People we couldn't do without.

A special word of thanks must go to Riaan, Fabio and Ryan from **TONEDDEF** who, free of charge, ran the Gala dinner to perfection. Thanks Guys. We couldn't have asked for a more perfect evening.

YOU ARE OUR HERO'S



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Ebony + Ivory

To Ebony + Ivory, who once again stepped up to the plate and put together our menus and invitations, and supported us from the conception to the reality of the Gala Dinner. Special thanks go to Sarah and Jeni who are amazing in every way.

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NEWS

FLASH:

WATCH THIS SPACE:

RACE DAY
Come place a bet and spend some time with the Boikanyo Foundation Enjoying a **DAY AT THE RACES**

More in the next news letter.



South Africa's Children Rely on Us.



HELPING HANDS!



The Gala Dinner
WHAT A SUCCESS!"

Friday the 8th of May bore witness to an amazing evening: The wine flowed, "The Venue" sparkled and the music played. Our Gala dinner was a huge success with 170 people joining us to celebrate the achievements of the The Boikanyo Foundation. Chris Forrest opened the evening with his 30 minute comedy routine bringing loads of laughs - many of us had tears rolling down on sides. With starters and supper cleared away – the food was absolutely superb - Gavin Sharpels took to the stage as our MC and delivered his amazing presentation on Section 8 – being MAD. Not only did this have us laughing out loud; but it also got us all thinking about the difference that we can make in other people's lives. The difference that The Boikanyo Foundation is making in children's lives.

This flowed effortlessly into our need to raise money for our little patients and we proceeded to "auction" heart operations. What an amazing response! We were amazed by our guest's true spirit of giving. We raised R360,000 - Enough to do seven (7!) life saving open heart surgeries! All thanks to everyone's generosity. Our wonderful guests really showed us what true heart was and we were left marvelling at the kindness and generosity of South Africans.

The Boikanyo Foundation wishes to thank each and every one of our guests, and also the people who couldn't attend but donated money instead – especially Mr Ronnie Naidoo. We couldn't save lives if it wasn't for people like you.

"WE RELY ON YOU"



The Boikanyo Foundation is reliant on the help of individuals, associations and companies to aid us in saving lives. R 50,000 is all it will take to give a child a new chance at life, any assistance that can be offered will be greatly appreciated.

- If you or your company is interested in helping a child, please contact our operations manager Nicola Perry on 082 9090440 for more information on the various sponsoring packages.
- If your company or organisation is interested in providing helping hands or donations in kind, you can also contact Nicola or e-mail us on: info@boikanyo.org .

We are looking forward to your phone calls and enquiries!

NEWS

THE MILLION RAND RACE

“WE RELY ON YOU”

Calling all the Cyclists out there, Boikanyo wants to see a 1000 cyclists riding in a Boikanyo shirts and shorts because we all know that cyclists ride with heart.....

We would love to get 1000 cyclist to sign up and commit to raise R1000 each, for this you will receive a Boikanyo branded shirt, shorts and a goody bag.

Whether you are an off road mountain biker, or an on road cyclist or just the cyclist who would like to ride the 94.7, we want you to ride for Boikanyo and change the life of a child.

For information contact Nicola on nicola@boikanyo.org.

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