

LabourNet West Rand Corporate Social Responsibility News

LabourNet West Rand would like to make a meaningful contribution by adding value to those that are often the forgotten people of the community. By adding value we took the decision as a team that by adding value we do not simply mean providing funds to our home or organisation of choice but to give of our own time and efforts to uplift the people within it. In addition to this, we would like to build a long lasting and constant relationship with our organisation or home of choice.

In the year of 2009 LabourNet West Rand team visited two (2) children's homes to identify areas of need. We found that the children's homes that we had visited were well provided for and felt that we had no real purpose. After much deliberation we decided that we would like to "add value" to those in our West Rand community who are often forgotten. We found Tornado Park Retirement Home. We arranged a meeting with the aged where we provided teas, coffees, juice and cake. We spent some time chatting to the people where they confided in us about their lost loved ones, their talents and their life experiences. Each member of our team was soon speaking to a member of the retirement village.

Once we explained our purpose there they were only too happy to give suggestions on what our next visit should include ie. bingo, talent shows, bowls and a braai. When the afternoon came to an end we came to realise too how little aged people experience the gift of touch. As soon as one hug was given all were in line for a hug and a kiss goodbye!

LabourNet West Rand found the experience a moving one where we felt that we had a purpose in our community. We cannot wait for our next visit back!

