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Young women and men stepping up- stepping around if they need to-taking charge of their lives and learning to lead. That is the story of the Bokamoso Life Centre (BLC) in Winterveldt, South Africa in 2016-2017. Bokamoso means “future” -and the youth keep learning to discern and live out their dreams for a better future. The Centre and the Bokamoso Youth Foundation (BYF) in Washington, DC, continued a strong partnership to help the youth lay the groundwork, reaffirming the Bokamoso mission through the development of new, more resilient structures.

Bokamoso Life Centre Changes Lives in Winterveldt, South Africa

In 2016-2017, the youth participants and leadership of the Bokamoso Life Centre in Winterveldt, South Africa, stride toward a better future.

- Thirty-five students were registered in ADP (the Adolescent Development Program).
- Twenty students were registered in the After Care program, which sets students on track to take a high level of responsibility for their own lives.
- With the scholarship support of the Bokamoso Youth Foundation, 23 youth enrolled in colleges and vocational educational schools in South Africa in 2016-2017.
- Since 2008, the BYF has awarded 365 scholarships benefiting 207 youth with higher education opportunities.
- Many of the youth participated in activities of their choice, including the Centre’s drama group, where they practiced to present plays in South Africa and in the annual arts tour to the United States.



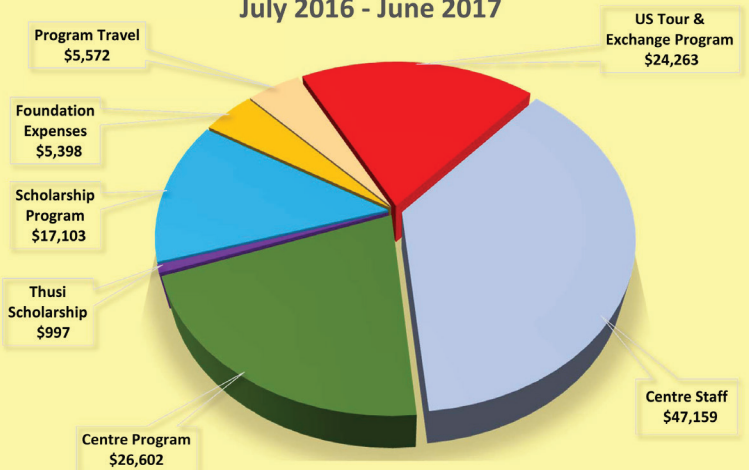
In January-February 2017, 12 youth, led by Centre staff members Doreen Mnisi and Steve Baloyi, performed their plays, music and dances in the Washington DC area on the 16th annual U.S. tour. They participated with supporting organizations including St. Andrews Episcopal School (SAES), Seekers Church, George Washington University (GWU), Metropolitan Memorial United Methodist Church, All Souls Church, Westminster Presbyterian Church, and InterPlay. With the Bokamoso Youth Foundation’s support, they successfully raised funds to support the Centre operations and the scholarship program in South Africa.

To support Bokamoso, donate online at www.bokamosoyouth.org. Click on Support and select Donate. Or mail a check made out to the Bokamoso Youth Foundation to 3927 Military Road, Washington, DC 20045. The BYF is a U.S. tax-exempt 501C(3) charitable organization dedicated to transforming the lives of youth and empowering community leadership in Winterveldt, South Africa.

Bokamoso Youth Foundation Financial Statement July 2016 - June 2017

Net Assets Beginning of Year	\$	43,134
General Contributions	\$	128,900
Thusi Scholarship Fund	\$	3,500
In-Kind Contributions	\$	9,395
Other Revenue	\$	625
Expenses	\$	127,084
Net Change	\$	15,326
Net Assests End of Year	\$	58,460

Bokamoso Youth Foundation Expenses July 2016 - June 2017



Number of students who have benefited from Bokamoso scholarships since 2008

207

Number of scholarships awarded in the program since inception in 2008

365

Number of host families who welcomed the South African youth into their homes in 2016

13

Number of students who welcomed Bokamoso youth as guests at GWU in 2016

11



Bokamoso youth and students from St. Andrews Episcopal School.



Conceptual Design for Banner: Blessing Rakgoale along with Nhlanhla Justin Nkabine.

The support of the Bokamoso life Centre is a creative partnership of a number of DC area groups and individual volunteers. Long-time supporting institutions include St. Andrew's Episcopal School, Seekers Church, George Washington University, Metropolitan Memorial United Methodist Church, All Souls Church, Westminster Presbyterian Church, First Baptist Church of North Brentwood, and a number of other local churches. The BYF Board of Directors: President, Dr. Constance Sullivan; Vice President, James Cawley; Secretary, Kathryn Tobias; Treasurer, Charles Vance; Artistic Director, Prof. Leslie Jacobson; Founder, Roy Barber; Dr. Louis Jacobson, Stacy Kincaid, Benny Pittman, Elese Sizemore.