



Through the formation of mutually beneficial collaborations with internal and external partners, we aim to use our resources and activities to make a positive impact in our community.



- The Open Doors to Future Possibilities Social Impact project was initially conceptualized by Dr Shantal Windvogel in 2018, with partnerships established between Voorbrug Senior Secondary School in Delft, Axiology Labs and the Division of Medical Physiology. The project also encouraged the formation of internal collaborations with internal partners, the Division of Clinical Anatomy and the division of Molecular Biology and Human Genetics.
- The aim of the project is to invite youth from the community (grade 10, 11 Voorbrug Senior Secondary School learners,) to a university environment (Faculty of Medicine and Health Science, Stellenbosch University). Learners visit the library, anatomy museum, laboratories and learn about basic laboratory tests and microscopy, and also attend the Physiology Symposium. In addition, visits to the school by staff and students are arranged, with workshops to discuss a range of health topics.
- Since its inception, major sources of funding for the project were received funding from the Dean's office, Faculty of Medicine and Health Science, Division of Medical Physiology and Axiology labs.

Collaboration within the Department of Biomedical Sciences





Voorbrug Senior Secondary School





Learners making use of a microscope donated to school science laboratory by the Division of Medical Physiology

Physiology Symposium







Physiology Symposium





Symposium banner





Student presentations at the Physiology symposium

Die Pastorie Home for the Aged, Parow





Clean Garden Project at Die Pastorie





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Staff and students getting ready for a the Clean Garden project

Clean Garden Project at Die Pastorie







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A book and stationery drive was held in collaboration with the Division of Clinical Anatomy and the Stellenbosch University Anatomy Society, in aid of the Hot-Spot Library in Kraaifontein and the Restoration of Youth Development Programme.



Covid-19 Hunger Relief Projects

Ndihluthi COVID-19 Hunger Relief program (JDI Foundation)

In aid of Mandela Day and Hunger relief, the division of Medical Physiology helped feed needy communities in the Cape Town area by contributing financially to the purchase of food packs, which provided 800 meals to the needy.

Sandwich Drive (Ladles of Love)

Staff and students from the Divisions of Medical Physiology and Clinical Anatomy prepared 2000 sandwiches, which were donated to Ladles of Love in support of their feeding scheme.

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- Production of educational material for biological concepts (identification of infections via x-rays, tissue culture, antibiotic resistance and completion of treatment; meiosis, mitosis: DNA. RNA, protein synthesis; A day in the life of a health scientist/ Non-communicable diseases in my community).
- Matriculant support: Mentoring of matriculants, donate a pair of earrings/matric dress/shoes/etc.
- Outreaches to children's homes and retirement villages.



- To establish, build, and maintain mutually beneficial community and institutional partnerships
- Your support and participation
- A sustainability plan-for instance, fundraising projects
- To get everyone involved



 For queries and submission of ideas and interests, please contact the Social impact committee: Sonja sa@sun.ac.za or Shantal shantalw@sun.ac.za