

Training for Transition (TFT)

Capacity Development for Organisations Working with Vulnerable Groups



Love is a pre-condition for Learning and Development

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT FORMAL TRAINING



Figure 1: Early Childhood Development – Formal Training

Training: **Grassroots Educare Trust**. Report: **Anita Marshall**

Dates: 16th November – 1st March 2018.

The footer banner contains several logos and text. From left to right: the University of Cape Town logo; the TFT logo with the text 'Training for Transition (TFT) Capacity Development for Organisations Working with Vulnerable Groups'; the 'ON FARMs ezifama' logo with the text 'op plase' and 'BUILDING WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP'; the 'hambanam' logo; and the European Union flag. Below these logos is an orange bar with the text 'Community Systems Strengthening for Health' and a white box with the text 'Programme funded by the EUROPEAN UNION'.

Induction: 6 Participants from Child Protection training, opted to offer child care serves in Belhar.

Gender: 6 women.

1. Aqeedah Ras
2. Dorothy Prestage
3. Christine Bowie
4. Myrtle Davids
5. Avril Hans
6. Romeine Julius

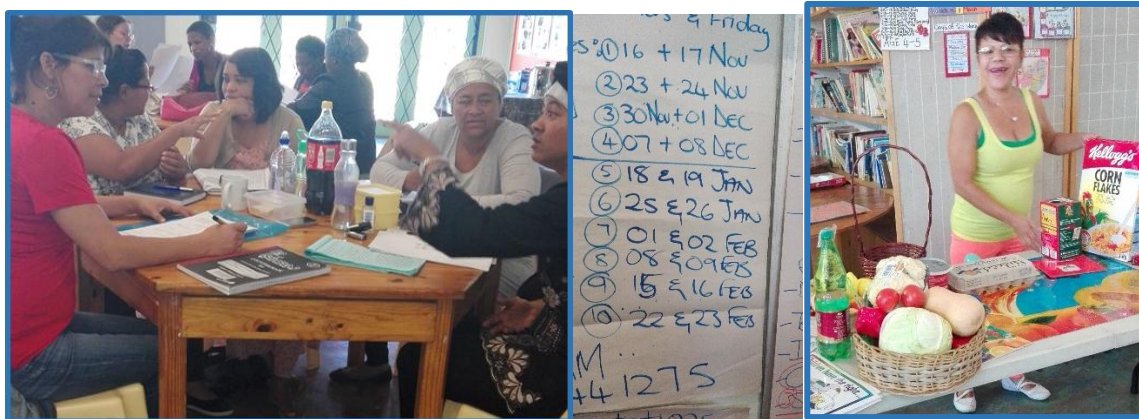


Figure 2: Training took place over 20 days.

The training took place at Grassroots every Thursday and Friday. It culminated in two days, 1st & 2nd March, where the participants had to set up a presentation displaying their knowledge of developing a daily programme, nutritional meals and a stimulating environment for curious minds – whereupon they graduated and are now formally trained early childhood development practitioners.



Camaraderie was formed and a new confidence emerged. Already 3 new child-care initiatives have been started. Aqeedah runs an after school from her home and has converted her garage. She provides the children with a safe place to stay and an opportunity for a meal, where needed. Romeine has a fully-fledged day care centre. She is now trained to care for the children, provide care, cognitive stimulation, meals and acquire legal status in order to be compliant with the regulatory environment. Dorothy has also started an ECD centre.

Health Committee

Mr. Kelley, Chairman of the Belhar Community Health Forum, attended both days of the participant presentations and commended the ECD participants for their commitment and achievement and indicated that he was glad that it would contribute to an enriched environment.