

# The Power of One

The power of one can go a long way to making a difference in the lives of many and Foschini Group staff members, Roslyn Scholtz and Rosa Pheiffer are doing just that.

## Roslyn's Feeding Scheme

Roslyn Scholtz, an ironer at TFGM for 13 years runs a feeding scheme in her community (Tafel-sig, Mitchells Plain) where she feeds 50 to 100 hungry children a week. The scheme which she started on her own, has been running since 2003. Roslyn used to operate from an empty container on an open field but has had to move the feeding scheme to her home, when she had to return the container to its original caretaker. Her efforts so impressed her colleagues that she now has the support of TFGM CSI Committee, which help to continue her good work. TFGM purchase groceries for soup on a weekly basis, host an annual Christmas lunch with treats & gifts and donate kiddies clothing when available. It is Roslyn's intention to register the Feeding Scheme as Roslyn's Hope Feeding Scheme.



## Passion Leads To Action

Rosa Pheiffer, a full time secretary in Group Audit Services, passion for animals led to action when she established FISANTEKRAAL ANIMAL WELFARE in Fisantekraal, an informal settlement outside Durbanville in February 2005. Since then she has spent every weekend there, feeding and helping sick animals. Here's her story:

*"In February 2005 I visited a farm just outside Durbanville where I stumbled across 2 kittens lying under a bush. One of the farm labourers asked whether her friend who lives in Fisantekraal, could have them for a birthday present as she loves animals very much. Up to that stage I did not even know the place existed. The next weekend I visited Ansie to make sure the kittens were OK. As I drove in I saw a dog that looked like he was convulsing. I phoned Animal Welfare who came to pick the dog up and the Inspector told me it had distemper (a virus in the brain).*

*I was driven to go to Fisantekraal again the next weekend where I saw a dog with no hair on his body - horrible! Again I phoned Animal Welfare and this time it was mange! I then realized that these animals need help. In between I managed to take all the cats and dogs of the farm labourers to Animal Anti-Cruelty League in Epping for sterilisation.*



*I saw that the breeding of the cats and dogs was out of control. In June 2005, Animal Anti-Cruelty League started picking up 6 animals every Friday and 6 every Saturday for sterilisation at their hospital in Epping. Although I was grateful for this help, I realized progress was too slow and I approached the private vets of Durbanville for help. Since December 2005 we have had a Spay-A-Thon every school holiday at the Trevor Manual school in Fisantekraal where between 80 and 90 animals get sterilised in one morning."*

Roslyn and Rosa's efforts to make a difference show that money need not be a stumbling block. All you need is determination and by leading by example, others will be inspired to follow.

## Did You Know?

Foschini Group CSI has a programme that supports individual staff and trading company or division community projects?

The purpose of this initiative is to reward employees with a grant towards the volunteer work they do in community development or upliftment and to encourage divisions/ companies within the Foschini Group to take on their own Corporate Social Investment projects.

Grants for individuals are subject to the applicants meeting with the set criteria for qualification and an evaluation of a detailed application.

Grants for Trading Companies/Divisions are awarded on a limited rand for rand basis.

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