

Oceana Group Launches Little Angels Kitchen, Hout Bay

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On Wednesday 4th November 2015, Oceana Group officially handed over a 6 meter kitchen to Little Angels Educare as part of their corporate social investment initiative. The initiative focuses on education and food security in the communities where Oceana Group have their fishing plants.

Over the past several months, disturbing news have flooded the media regarding the possible closure of the fishing plant as a result of the smell that emanates from the plant and infiltrates the immediate surrounding community. Today's event brought a positive dose to all the negative job loss prospects.



Present at the event was Public Works Minister – Mr Thulas Nxesi. Seated next to him at the head-table, was the CEO of Oceana Group – Mr Francois Kuttel. A collage displayed behind the guests of honour was of 93 letters from the Sentinel Primary School learners, letters that advocated for the Oceana plant to remain in Hout Bay, symbolizing the sentiment held for Oceana.



The event had a dual function: to allay the Hout Bay community, and celebrate the victory following negotiation processes – the plant will not be shut down and 100 staff will retain their jobs at the plant. Additionally, the event was to celebrate the on-going support that Oceana Group has shown to the Hout Bay community. The



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CEO of Oceana Group declared that Oceana is part of the fabric of Hout Bay and they will actively increase CSI spend in Hout Bay.

Hout Bay is riddled with several social problems such as poverty, crime and unemployment. Breadline Africa is very grateful that companies like Oceana Group see the need to further improve infrastructure for pre-schools and primary schools, denoting a partnership that can only reach greater heights going forward. Little Angels Educare received the 9th container kitchen that Oceana Group has sponsored since 2012.

Little Angels Educare has 70 children, the classrooms are in very poor shape and they rely on portaloos. Breadline Africa is pleased to advise that the portaloos will soon be replaced with flushing toilets on World Toilet Day – 19th November. With the newly added container kitchen and pending toilet container, Little Angels will be better placed to obtain government child grant and other child care resources.



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