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## Gadra students aiming high

In 2023 for the second successive year over 120 local disadvantaged students registered at Rhodes University from local no-fee schools. This total includes a large cohort of 80 from the Gadra matric school plus students from other schools where Gadra has put in place a mentoring and support scheme. The matric school offers students the chance to improve their exam grades and open up wider opportunities. Among those students are two who directly benefited from FOGADD's

support, Asisipho who will study for a BSc at Rhodes and Ayathandwa who improved his grades enough to apply for university.

And those students achieve success with over 50 Matric school alumni graduating from Rhodes last year.



Our scholar Asisipho



## FOGADD Scholars past and present

For many years FOGADD has given scholarships to promising school children to attend local fee paying Government schools which offer better educational outcomes. Last year two of our trustees met

some of the current scholars as well as those who have benefited from our support. Former scholars include Tarryn Daniels who trained as an accountant and is now back in Grahamstown working

for a local food processing business. Runita Williams and Liesl Oosthuizen both studied at Rhodes and are now teaching. Leisl is actually teaching at the school which many of our scholars attend! One former scholar said 'You've created opportunities for us and broadened our worlds in

so many ways. I'm forever grateful'

Our current scholars include Christian, who has played cricket for his age group at regional level and Tina who is on the school council.



# Other News

- Siyazama pre-primary school can afford to invest in new equipment thanks to the FOGADD donation. Pictured are the bikes they bought recently and children having fun in the playground.
- St Mary's DCC now caters for over 150 children. It offers a safe place with a range of after school activities, support with homework and a nourishing lunch.
- We visited Assumption Nutrition Centre which, like St Marys, offers a safe place to go after school with a good meal and activities. The children were very excited to put on a display of singing and dancing.



*Siyazama (above) and St Marys DCC (below)*



## How can you help?

We are very grateful to all our supporters, whether they make one off or regular donations or support fund-raising events. It would be great if you could spread the word amongst your friends and check out our website. [www.fogadd.org](http://www.fogadd.org)

Thank you to all who came to our quiz nights in York and London last year. If you would like to organize your own event please let us know.

## Annual review 2022

If you would like to read our review of funding it is available on our website [here](#). Our income fell as the previous year we held a very successful fund-raising promises auction. However we had retained sufficient funds to pay scholars' school fees and maintain the level of support which we have been giving to our key projects.

