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Dreaming of a future for the children of Khayelitsha

The Nonkqubela branch of Meals on Wheels in Khayelitsha, Western Cape is doing a lot of community development.

“We want to teach people to cook and bake,” says branch manager, Florence Memani. “Some of the children use drugs. It would be good to collect them after school, keep them off the streets and offer aftercare programmes to change their lives. We have a lot of dreams for our children’s futures. Our problem is money.”

The branch wishes to start a sewing project to raise funds that will sustain their teachers at the crèche. The teachers are struggling to survive on their salaries. The manager is frustrated by the building they operate in because the building is old and poses health and safety risks. Help with repairs would be welcomed.

“There are lots of needs: some of our children require clothes, school shoes, books, stationery. We dream of a plot so we can build a bigger hall to care for more children. We would like to raise funds to pay our teachers more. We will speak to our church people and see if we can collect some money.”

With this get up and go attitude, they are bound to succeed.

Meals on Wheels is a charitable organization that provides meals for people too poor or infirm to fend for themselves. You can sponsor a hungry person via SMS – simply SMS the word ‘**MEAL**’ to **39055**. Your SMS is billed at *R15.00*.