



WHEELS LIFE CHANGER
Leaving no one behind

MAY NEWS LETTER

2024 DISABILITY SUMMIT AND CAREER EXPO



Wheels Life Changer was an active participant in the 2024 Disability Summit and Career Expo held at Johannesburg Nasrec from May 16th to 17th.

Renowned as South Africa's Largest Career and Workplace Readiness Expo for People Living with Disabilities, this event offered us a valuable platform to exhibit our impactful work and engage with a diverse audience.

We received excellent attendance and support from the event organizers, for which we are deeply grateful. This opportunity enabled us to raise awareness and advocate for inclusivity in the workplace, furthering our mission of empowerment and equality

DONATIONS

WHEELCHAIRS

Wheels Life Changer extended a meaningful gesture by donating a brand-new wheelchair to Cyril Ndlovu, a learner from Usizolwethu Special School. The donation was made by the founder of Wheels Life Changer, Ronewa Mudzanani, alongside Jomo Awelani, the Business Development Manager, and Murendeni Nemavhola, the Finance Officer. This act of compassion and support reflects our commitment to improving the lives of individuals with disabilities and ensuring their mobility and independence."

STATIONERY

In addition, we also distributed school stationery to more than 20 disadvantaged students. This effort was aimed at supporting these students in their educational endeavors and ensuring they have the necessary tools to succeed in their studies. It is our belief that education is a fundamental right, and by providing these essential supplies, we hope to empower these students to reach their full potential despite their challenges

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Wheels Life Changer was delighted to meet the finalists of Miss South Africa Disability 2024. Witnessing beauty being redefined to include individuals living with disabilities is truly inspiring and uplifting. This inclusive approach not only celebrates diversity but also boosts the confidence of those with disabilities, showing that beauty knows no bounds and everyone deserves to feel empowered and valued.



The involvement of our team in the 2024 Disability Summit and Career Expo represented a pivotal moment in our journey toward advocating for inclusivity and empowerment within the disability community

This event served as a prime opportunity for us to showcase the breadth and depth of our work, from providing essential support services to championing the rights and dignity of individuals with disabilities.



By actively participating in panels, workshops, and networking sessions, we were able to engage with stakeholders, decision-makers, and fellow advocates, amplifying our message of equality and accessibility.



Moreover, our presence at the expo underscored our commitment to fostering a more inclusive society, one where individuals of all abilities are recognized for their talents, contributions, and potential. Through our dedicated efforts and collaborative partnerships, we continue to pave the way toward a brighter, more equitable future for people with disabilities, where barriers are dismantled, opportunities are expanded, and every individual can thrive, regardless of their circumstances.

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KATLEGO DISABILITY HOME



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New formed Partnership

Wheels Life Changer recently visited Katlego Disability Home, which cares for over 15 children with disabilities, to celebrate their milestones.

During our visit, we donated blankets, food parcels, and sanitary towels, ensuring the children have essential supplies for their well-being. Additionally, we hosted a birthday celebration for all the children residing at the home, creating a joyful and memorable experience for everyone involved. This visit underscored our commitment to supporting and uplifting the least privileged members of our community, encouraging everyone to contribute to such meaningful efforts.



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New Partnerships Formed

TSHILIDZINI SPECIAL SCHOOL SPORTS DAY

On [Date], Wheels Life Changer hosted a Disability Sports Day at Tshilidzini Special School. The event was met with great enthusiasm from the students, who were excited to meet our CEO, Ronewa Mudzanani, renowned not only as a leader in disability advocacy but also as a professional tennis player.

The highlight of the day was when Ronewa took to the tennis court with the students, personally engaging them in the sport he loves. With his expertise, Ronewa provided the students with valuable insights and professional tennis skills, aiming to not only enhance their sports participation confidence but also to uncover potential talent.



The event was more than just a day of sports; it was an opportunity for the students to experience the joy of physical activity, to learn new skills, and to discover their own capabilities. Ronewa's presence and active involvement not only inspired the students but also demonstrated that with determination and passion, anything is possible, regardless of one's circumstances. Overall, the Disability Sports Day at Tshilidzini Special School was a resounding success, leaving a lasting impact on the students and reaffirming Wheels Life Changer's commitment to promoting inclusivity, empowerment, and the importance of sports participation for individuals with disabilities.



CHANGING LIVES



TUITION BURSARY DONATION

Wheels Life Changer is grateful to Watericon for their generous donation of R32,373. This contribution supported Nolitha Kibido, a disabled student at Stellenbosch University, by helping to pay her outstanding tuition fees.

This donation not only eases her financial burden but also enables her to continue her studies and pursue her academic goals. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Watericon for their commitment to making a positive impact on the lives of students with disabilities.

WALKING STICK DONATION

Hulisani Mukwebo from Chiawelo generously donated a walking device to Wheels Life Changer. This device was subsequently given to a disabled girl in need of mobility aid to attend school. Mrs.

Mukwebo's kindness has made a significant difference in the young girl's life, enabling her to pursue her education with greater ease and independence. We deeply appreciate Mrs. Mukwebo's contribution and her commitment to supporting individuals with disabilities.



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THE NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

On May 29th, National Voting Day in South Africa, Wheels Life Changer made a significant impact by supporting people with disabilities at various voting stations, ensuring a smooth and dignified voting process.

Our dedicated team provided crucial accessibility assistance, personal support, and advocacy for the rights of disabled voters. These efforts led to overwhelmingly positive feedback from the community and election officials, increased participation of people with disabilities in the voting process, and heightened awareness about the need for inclusive voting policies.

We are deeply grateful to our volunteers and partners who contributed to this success. Looking ahead, we remain committed to supporting people with disabilities through upcoming civic engagement workshops and further collaborations with electoral bodies. Thank you to everyone who helped make a difference on this important day.

"We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Wheels Life Changer for their unwavering love and support for individuals with disabilities.

Thanks to WHL's assistance and transportation services, I've had the privilege of casting my vote as an equal South African citizen for the very first time. Your commitment has made a meaningful difference in my life and the lives of many others."

Julia Makwa from Thohoyandou

MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM LEADERS

RONWA MUDZANANI (CEO)

By working together to address disability inequalities, we can create a more inclusive and equitable society where individuals with disabilities are valued, respected, and empowered to realise their full potential. It is imperative that disability rights and inclusion become everyone's concern in South Africa, as only through collective action can we build a society that truly leaves no one behind.



SIKHWAI SHARON (DIRECTOR)

By recognising and addressing the needs of those who are marginalised or disadvantaged, we uphold principles of compassion, equity, and social justice. We encourage everyone to play their part in supporting the less privileged by simply fostering a culture of inclusivity and empathy in their communities. Together, we can create a more caring and inclusive society where everyone has the opportunity to thrive and live with dignity.



SIGAMA NDIVHALENI (DIRECTOR)

Having a disability does not diminish a person's abilities or potential. While individuals with disabilities may face limitations in certain areas, they are still capable of achieving great things and contributing to society. With the right support and accommodations, people with disabilities can pursue their interests, excel in various fields, and lead fulfilling lives. It's important to challenge stereotypes and promote inclusivity, accessibility, and equal opportunities for all individuals, regardless of ability. Disability does not equate to inability, and everyone deserves the chance to reach their full potential.





Life's like a bird. It's pretty cute until it poops on your head.

My IQ test results came back, they were negative.

I failed math so many times at school, I can't even count.

The child who claims to know as many proverbs as his father should be allowed to pay taxes

- Before you criticize someone, walk a mile in their shoes.

That way, when you do criticize them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes.

- Before you marry a person, you should first make them use a computer with a slow Internet connection to see who they really are.



- Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation toward the local swimming pool. I gave him a glass of water.

- A recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than the men who mention it.

My boss said "dress for the job you want, not for the job you have." So I went in as Batman.

I told my computer I needed a break, and now it won't stop sending me vacation ads.