

SBS TANKS ® AND GIFT OF THE GIVERS DROUGHT RELIEF IN LINDLEY, FREE STATE

SBS ® Water Systems is a manufacturer of premium, prefabricated water storage reservoirs & tanks made from durable Zincalume® steel. The company is based in Pinetown (Durban) services various industries such as mining, fire protection, municipal, water conservation and back-up water supply to the food and beverage industry.

Naturally being in the water industry, the company is very aware of the desperate drought situation nationwide and sprang into action as soon as staff returned from annual shut-down.

Three ST 12-02 tanks with a storage capacity of 112 kilolitres each were made available to NGO Gift of the Givers. The recipient towns of Lindley, Mamafubedu and Fouriesmith were identified by the Gift of the Givers.

Due to the urgency of the situation the normal fabrication time of 6 to 8 weeks was reduced to 2 weeks and a SBS® team comprising of Des Ray, Trevor van Rooyen, Mfundo Ngcobo, Christian Dubazane and Asanda Mbedle reached Lindley on Sunday, 24 January 2016.

With the assistance of the Local Municipality a suitable site was identified, levelled and installation commenced on 25 January 2016.

At first the team didn't attract much attention from the locals, but at around noon the Gift of the Givers convoy arrived with relief aid.

Within minutes the community started gathering to receive aid and throughout the day, thousands were helped. A radical downpour at around 3pm didn't even slow the team down and they continued handing out aid to those who patiently continued waiting in the queue despite the horrific weather.

It was an absolutely awesome experience for all present and the highlight of the day was the screening of the relief efforts in Lindley on National Television.

Tuesday, 26 January 2016 proved to be eventful as well, with the Mayor, The Honourable Mrs Molapisi paying the SBS® Team a visit.

The Lindley tank build was completed that afternoon and the Municipality will now take responsibility for it.

The team from SBS® thoroughly enjoyed their experience in Lindley and would like to extend a special thank you to Cobus and the whole team at VKB Lindley who assisted with the storage and offloading of equipment.

Thank you also to H3 and Hni Honiball for their hospitality at Bikirus. We hope to visit again soon!

Des Ray - Marketing, Communication & PR



The honourable Mrs Molapisi, mayor of Lindley (3rd from the left) with Des Ray & Trevor van Rooyen & 3 other community members.



A 112kl tank was erected in order to relieve the devastating need for water in Ntha.

BAIE DANKIE

Baie dankie aan **Korrektiewe Dienste, Lindley** wat Vrydag, 29 Januarie met 'n span werkers die skool se terrein en tuine netjies kom maak het. Dit lyk sommer stukke beter, want soos julle weet groei die bossies vinniger as die gras na die reën!

Ons waardeer enige hulp vanuit die gemeenskap terdeë.

Primêre Skool Lindley