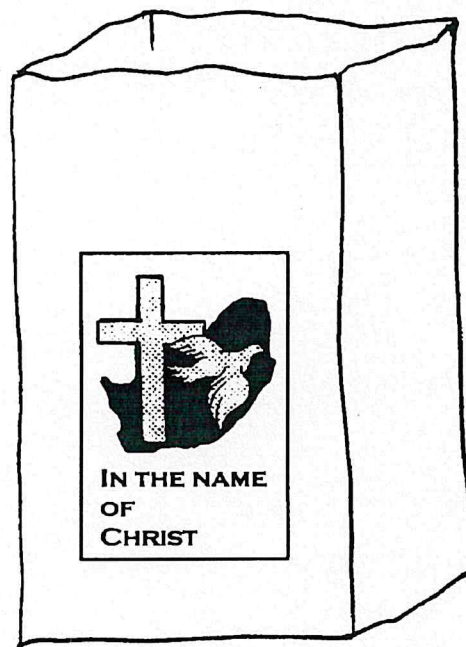


2023

Annual Report for the South African
Fill-a-Bag, Feed-a-Family Feeding
Scheme (FABFAF):
1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023



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ANNUAL REPORT OF FABFAF FOR 2023

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of FABFAF is to provide basic nutrition in grocery-filled bags to needy families, acknowledging at all times God's guidance and provision.

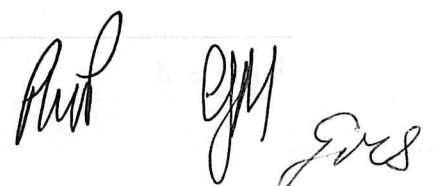
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Chairperson: Mrs Patty Pitman
Vice-Chairperson: Mrs Glenda Saxby
Honorary Treasurer: Mr Michael Gibbons
Honorary Secretary: Mrs Maureen Schuster

Committee Members:

Mr Peter Cownie
Mrs Vivienne Cownie
Mrs Cathy Cullinan
Mr John Ellmore
Mrs Penny Ellmore
Mrs Caroline Mathew
Mr Lucian Moses
Mrs Mecarla Moses
Mr Bryan Mulligan
Mrs Jenny Mulligan
Mr Rob Pitman
Mrs Sally Thain
Mr Lance Smith
Mrs Margaret Harrison

Honorary Auditor: Mr Miles Saxby



BRIEF HISTORICAL REVIEW

FABFAF was initiated by Professor Gerald Pillay, who based the feeding scheme on similar schemes he had come across during a visit to the United States of America.

With the backing of Father Les Walker, who was the Rector of St Martin's in the Fields at that time, and members of the congregation, the scheme was launched in 1993.

St Martin's in the Fields (abbreviated to St Martin's), 16 King Street, Irene is the Anglican Parish Church for Irene, a village forming part of Centurion, Gauteng.

FABFAF depends on the support of concerned individuals and organisations for its existence. This support takes many forms such as providing empty bags, filling bags with groceries, cash donations, transport services and supplying administrative back-up.

In addition to supplying grocery-filled bags to needy families, FABFAF also distributes large numbers of empty bags each year to like-minded organisations. These bags are also filled with groceries and distributed to poor families. In this way, the impact of FABFAF is extended significantly. Appendix 1 gives further information on this aspect of FABFAF's work.

The FABFAF scheme is administered by a Management Committee.

FABFAF was registered by the Department of Social Development as a Non-Profit Organisation (NPO) in terms of the Non-profit Organisation Act, 1997 in 2013. It was also registered by the South African Revenue Service (SARS) as a Public Benefit Organisation (PBO) in terms of section 30 (3) of the Income Tax Act No 58 of 1962 (the Act) in 2014.

In addition, the Fill-a-Bag concept has a further national impact through the generosity of Mpact Paper and Sacks Packaging which makes large numbers of bags directly available to charitable organisations throughout South Africa.

PRESENT BENEFICIARIES

The beneficiaries in 2023 were:

- the community of Klipgat
- the Municipal TB Clinics in Lyttelton and Rooihuiskraal
- the Siyanqoba Feeding Foundation in Olievenhoutbosch
- Tumelong, the official outreach project of the greater Pretoria Diocese
- the Help Seniors Organisation
- the House of Faith in Gardens, Pretoria
- St Martin's Church

The community of Klipgat: Klipgat is a village approximately 60 kilometres North-West of Pretoria. The Klipgat community includes a large group of poverty-stricken shack dwellers. There is also a Mission of Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity serving the community. This Mission plays a vital role in ensuring that the FABFAF bags reach the neediest and most deserving families. The distribution of bags on a monthly basis to Klipgat from Irene has been loyally undertaken by Mr Werner Henneke and his family.

The Centurion Municipal TB Clinics in Rooihuiskraal, and Lyttelton: Tuberculosis and poverty are closely linked. Many patients with TB are under-nourished and there are always patients who desperately need a nutritional boost from a FABFAF grocery-filled bag.

Siyanqoba Feeding Foundation: The term Siyanqoba (means "We are the conquerors") This organisation was founded in 2009 in Olievenhoutbosch. It operates a training bakery, and a clothes-making business with a view to raising funds to buy food for needy families. It is also registered as an NPO with the Department of Social Development

Tumelong: Tumelong is the official outreach project for the Anglican Diocese of Pretoria. St Martin's supports the project by supplying food for five families each month living in Phomolong, an informal settlement in Atteridgeville. These bags are supplied by FABFAF and distributed through the Phuthabana Drop-in Centre (for Phomolong), an NPO.

Any bags left over are distributed in the greater Diocese.



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Help Seniors: Help Seniors is an NPO organisation in Pretoria assisting elderly people. Meetings are held in the NG Church (Harmoniehof) in Sunnyside. Filled bags are given out once a month to the most needy elderly in the community.

HOUSE OF FAITH: This multi-roomed establishment provides accommodation to homeless people in the Gardens area of Pretoria as well as supplementing their food requirements.

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH: From time to time, Canon Bam assists people in the community who fall on hard times.

Table 1: Source and Distribution of bags in 2022 & 2023

Source of Bags	Number of bags	
	2023	2022
Donated bags	95	115
Bags purchased	3120	2880
Total	3215	2995
Distribution of Bags		
Klipgat Community	1830	1680
TB Clinic Lyttelton and Rooihuiskraal	207	444
Tumelong (Phomolong)	657	432
Siyanqoba Feeding Foundation	259	238
Help Seniors	103	111
House of Faith	142	68
Miscellaneous/Left in reserve/Canon Bam	15	22
Anglicans Ablaze	2	
Total	3215	2995

The estimated value of the 3215 bags at R215 a bag is R691 225.00

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CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT -

We give thanks that 2023 remained another successful year for FABFAF in spite of soaring food prices - and we managed to fulfil our obligations in supplying food parcels to the poorest of the poor.

Carmen Botman, a parishioner, designed us beautiful posters which we can display to inform the fellow Parishioners about our Feeding Scheme - many thanks Carmen!

Matrics of the Maragon High School, east of Pretoria, requested 100 empty bags. The bags were returned to FABFAF filled with groceries and heartfelt messages written by the pupils. As the contents were not exactly as stipulated, we were able to pass the bags on as "extra's" to our beneficiaries - and they were gratefully received.

Sage Accounting approached our Committee and asked if they could get involved with packing of bags for FABFAF as part of their Social Responsibility. As a result, some 12 Sage employees packed bags on 2 occasions for us. On their second visit, our finances permitted Sage packers to pack 420 bags in a day, as opposed to 240 bags which we would normally pack ourselves. We were thrilled to have their assistance, and of course, have more packed bags to distribute during the cold months of the year. Thank you Sage!

As a result of our engagement with Sage, FABFAF was recommended to Sage's head office in Calgary, Canada, where FABFAF is now registered on their Benevity Global Database.

On a sad note, one of our loyal Committee Members, Margaret Harrison, passed away during 2023. Margaret was a vibrant member, and always included her family in packing. We miss her warm engaging personality, and send our deepest sympathy to her husband James, children Patricia and Andrew, mother Pat Collins and mother-in-law Margaret Harrison Senior.

We have managed to distribute on average 267 bags of food monthly to our recipients, and there are always more hungry people.



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The lifeblood of the scheme is the wonderful support it enjoys from a wide variety of concerned individuals and organisations. It was a group at St Martin's who started filling bags more than 30 years ago, and St Martin's continues to be a major supporter of the scheme, not only through donating bags, but also providing facilities for their storage. The majority of donors are the parishioners from St Martin's. The Church Council at St Martin's gives a very generous monthly donation to the feeding scheme. We also have a number of private donors who are involved and give donations regularly from various charity drives. Thank you one and all!

Mr Michael Gibbons, our Honorary Treasurer, brings valuable expertise to FABFAF and ensures that our finances and financial reporting are professionally handled.

Mr Miles Saxby C.A. (SA) remains our Honorary Auditor. Thank you, Miles!

Glenda Saxby serves as vice-chairperson. Thank you for your invaluable support and help.

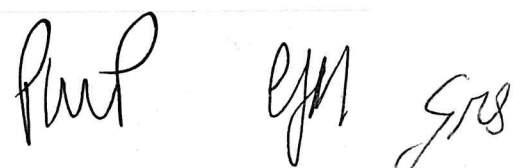
Maureen Schuster, as our Honorary secretary, keeps a tight control on our monthly records, which gives a clear picture of our day-to-day activities with FABFAF.

There are many aspects of this feeding scheme – and I would like to share my appreciation to all involved.

We remain a Public Benefit Organisation, and donors are able to request a tax certificate for their monetary contributions. FABFAF enjoys the benefits of being registered as a Non-Profit Organisation as well.

Mpact paper and Sacks Packaging (Durban) continue to donate the empty bags (and deliver them) to be filled and they are stored at St Martins which has enabled us to streamline the distribution thereof.

We are also a depot for distribution of empty bags and for other similarly run organisations to fill and distribute to the needy.



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We give thanks to God as this feeding scheme continues to spread throughout South Africa. Empty bags are distributed by co-ordinators in both Durban and Cape Town, and, in turn, supply approximately 10 nearby groups with bags which are filled to meet specific needs in particular areas.

We have a website: www.fabfaf.org.za and we have a Facebook page

www.facebook.com/FillABagFeedaFamily.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of Receipts and Payments For the Year Ended 31st December 2023

	2023 R	2022 R
Opening Bank and Cash Balances		
FNB Business Account	9 885	4 619
FNB Investment Account	143 879	89 639
Petty Cash	979	1 049
Total:	154 743	95 307
Receipts		
Donations	634 546	640 713
Interest Received	12 754	5 739
Total:	647 300	646 452
Payments		
Purchases of Food	676 637	583 946
Gifts & Gratuities, Operating Expenses	1 520	1 800
Bank Charges	1 159	1 271
Total:	679 316	587 017
Surplus (Deficit)	-32 016	59 435
Closing Bank and Cash Balances		
FNB Business Account	474	9 885
FNB Investment Account	117 842	143 879
Petty Cash	1 033	979
Makro Debtor	3 377	
Total:	122 726	154 743

Notes

- Accounting policy:** The Financial Statements have been prepared on the cash basis of accounting. Accordingly, revenue and related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned, and expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred.
- Donations in kind:** All bags used were donated by Mpact Paper and Sacks Packaging. The value of these is not accounted for in the statements.

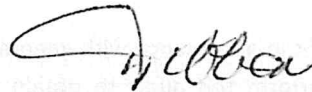
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3. **Empty bags:** During the year the Fill-a-Bag Feed-a-Family Feeding Scheme was able to distribute a large number of empty bags to like-minded organisations. No value for these has been accounted for in these statements.
4. Loyalty points are received from First National Bank, and reinvested in the scheme during the year. No value for these has been accounted for in these financial statements.

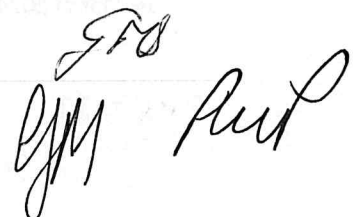
The Annual Financial Statements set out above were approved by the committee on 19th February 2024 and signed by:



P Pitman



M Gibbons (SAICA 00 151 915)



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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN FILL-A-BAG FEED-A-FAMILY FEEDING SCHEME ("FABFAF"). A VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION REGISTERED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AS A NON PROFIT ORGANISATION (No. 120-933 NPO)

I audited the annual financial report of the South African Fill-a-Bag Feed-a-Family Feeding Scheme NPO for the year ended 31 December 2023 as set out above.

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Committee. My responsibility is to report on these statements.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. These standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance that, in all material aspects, fair presentation is achieved in the Financial Statements in accordance with the basis of accounting used.

An audit includes:

- Evaluation of the appropriateness of the accounting policies;
- An examination on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and disclosure in the financial statements;
- An assessment of the reasonableness of significant estimates, and
- A consideration of the appropriateness of the overall Financial Statement presentation.

I consider that my auditing procedures were appropriate in the circumstances to express my opinion presented below.

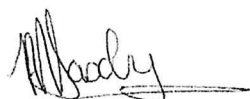
In common with similar organisations, it is not feasible for the organisation to institute controls over cash collections prior to the initial entry of donations in the records. Accordingly, it was impractical for me to extend my examination of donations beyond the amount actually recorded, i.e. from bank statement to FABFAF donations report to the Financial Statement.

As described in the notes to the financial statements, it is the Organisation's policy to prepare Financial Statements on the cash basis of accounting. Accordingly, the Financial Statements are not intended to present the financial position and results of the activities in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Audit Opinion.

In my opinion, these Financial Statements fairly present the assets and liabilities and payments of the South African Fill-a-Bag Feed-a-Family Feeding Scheme, at 31 December 2023 and the receipts and payments for the year then ended in terms of the declared accounting policy.

I received all information and explanation I required, and in my opinion proper books and financial records have been kept.



MCB Saxby (SAICA 00 225449)
B.Bus.Sc, CA (SA)

16 March 2024



DONORS

Management Committee would like to express its gratitude to the following individuals and organisations for their ongoing direct support of FABFAF despite the present difficult economic times:

- Members of the congregations of St Martin's Church, Irene and the Irene community.
- Werner Henneke and his family for the invaluable support in loading and transporting bags to Klipgat every month.
- Mpact Paper and Sacks Packaging for the generous provision of FABFAF bags. In particular, we are grateful to Tracey Hoosen , Sales Manager for Sacks Packaging, who monitors FABFAF's bag position and ensures that we have regular supplies.
- Many concerned people, both locally and overseas, who are not part of any specific group but are motivated to donate generously. Some of these donors wish to remain anonymous and we respect their wishes.

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APPENDIX 1: DISTRIBUTION OF EMPTY AND FABFAF BAGS IN 2023

RECIPIENTS		Number of Bags	
		2023	2022
Anglican Institutions:			
	Corpus Christi, Garsfontein	-	100
	St George s White River	700	500
	St Francis Waterkloof	-	1100
	Tumelong	-	300
Catholic Institutions:	Fikilela (Beverley Hendricks) CT Diocese	-	3600
	Maria Regina, Lyttelton	-	200
	Christ the King Catholic Church, Queenswood	1400	700
	Alistair Davis (Knights of Da Gama)2995	-	1000
Methodist Institutions:			
Others:	Glenda	3	
	Randson Foundation	200	230
	Maragon High School	-	100
	Woord en Brood	-	1000
Schools and Colleges:			
	Cornwall Hill College	1200	1200
St Martin's		3215	2995
TOTAL		6718	13025

Provided these bags are all filled with groceries at a retail purchase price of R215 per bag, this represents a distribution of groceries to a value of R1,444 370.00 for 6718 bags in 2023.

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