

SOS Children's Village receives ongoing support from Peninsula Hotel

The SOS Children's Village in Thornton near Cape Town was recently visited by a team from the Peninsula All-Suite Hotel's staff in their ongoing efforts to uplift surrounding communities. The aim of the visit was to follow up on a previous charity drive where funds were raised to buy Wendy houses for the Village.



Maintenance managers from the Peninsula assessed what materials were needed to repair any wear and tear while a further six members of the Peninsula team - one representative from each department - pitched in to help. Despite being interrupted by foul weather conditions, the team managed to repair the playground and its equipment, fix up braai areas, replace Wendy house windows and provide general maintenance to the Village.

Assistance on a monthly basis

"We are so grateful to the Peninsula team for their ongoing support in helping us upgrade the SOS Children's Village. They have really brightened up the area and made such a difference," said Heidi Hesketh, fundraiser of the SOS Village.

Owing to the fact that the SOS Village only has one gardener and maintenance man for the entire Village, the Peninsula staff will be assisting on a monthly basis to ensure the area is maintained. Meanwhile, the Peninsula has also donated wooden tables and benches to SOS Children's Village, all resulting from funds raised in the hotel's weekly casual Friday initiative.

"We hope that our involvement with the SOS Children's Village will encourage many more to form relationships with charities such as this," says Peninsula Hotel GM Chris Godenir. The Peninsula All-Suite Hotel has become known over the years for its 'Investors in People Standard', setting a level of good practice for organisational performance through its employees.

