



## GIRLS & FOOTBALL SA QUARTERLY REPORT

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Another quarter has gone by and we're mid way 2013! A perfect time to let you know how grateful we are for your continued support and your belief in the work that we do. It is because of you that we can make a difference in the lives of girls in South Africa.

And how do your donations impact our work? Because of your donations, Girls & Football SA attended the Dlala Ntombazana Soccer for Girls Project 6th Annual Tournament at the Mamelodi Central Sport Grounds in Gauteng on June 1st, 2013. Our Girls & Football SA workshop leaders flew up from Cape Town to run lifeskills workshops with girls at the tournament. The theme is "Making a Change" and with your help, that is exactly what Girls & Football SA aims to do. Though running workshops on healthy lifestyle, self-esteem and peer pressure, skills identification and development, healthy sexuality and abuse, and identity, we hope to have a lasting positive impact on the girls' lives. Girls in South Africa have so much to offer – just watch our [Strive. Score. Succeed](#) clip to be inspired!

We also had the opportunity to attend this year's Women Deliver Conference on girls' and women's health in Kuala Lumpur. Inspired by women from all over the world, we are armed with new ideas to carry out our next series of workshops in the second half of 2013.

GlobalGiving has been instrumental in Girls & Football SA connecting with other organisations to holistically approach development on a grassroots level. Girls & Football SA realises that in order to positively affect girls in South Africa on a large and long-term scale, it is necessary to cooperate with fellow organisations with similar goals, and work and network together to reach them.

Through our work, we know that football is an incredibly powerful tool. FIFA has recently passed a series of anti-racist bills, and recognize this importance as well. Not only does football create the space for fun and a break from life's stressors, but it gives girls something to focus on and can impact so many facets of their lives. In girls' only spaces, using football as a platform from which to run lifeskills workshops, girls can be empowered by being equipped with self-confidence, a higher self-esteem and a sense of body ownership. Through football, Girls & Football SA aims to give girls in South Africa the chance to succeed in life, to overcome the many obstacles that stand in their way. Not only are there social and economic factors that impede girls from doing well in life, but also the fact that they are girls counts against them.

Statistics show that girls involved in Girls & Football SA programs immensely enjoy participating, and think that the girls-only spaces created are important. With the help of you, our donors, we can work towards the positive effects being long-term.

Thank you once again for your support. Every time we are able to engage with girls and impact their lives in a positive way, we are making a difference in the future of the girl child. This impact can spread to other girls, through Girls & Football SA and every girl that we reach.

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