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## COMMUNITY RECYCLING IN THE KYALAMI AREA – LAUNCHING 19 MAY!



The Greater Kyalami Conservancy (GEKCO) and Residents' Associations are partnering with BONTLE KE TLHAGO, a cooperative of Diepsloot residents to offer kerbside recycling as a GREEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PROJECT initiative. In discussions with Pikitup it was agreed to choose a pilot area, **Glenferness** and **Kyalami Ridge**, to test logistics and buy-in from the residents. If the pilot is successful, the initiative will be expanded to include surrounding suburbs.

This is part of the City of Jo'burg's SEPARATION@SOURCE which Pikitup plans to roll out to all areas of the city. The lack of available space for landfills is a serious problem and Pikitup is looking to address this while assisting cooperatives to develop viable, profitable businesses. This is an exciting opportunity for each of us to play a part in protecting the environment while supporting our neighbours in Diepsloot.

Recycling collection will begin on 19 May on the same day as normal Pikitup collection. We will be dropping off pamphlets and bags to each of the houses in the pilot area. Please place the recyclables out next to your black bins in the method described below.

### **What can be recycled?**

**Plastic, glass, tins, e-waste** - Please place in the clear plastic bag

**Paper products** - Please place in the white bag, this is to ensure that the paper remains dry.

**Cardboard boxes** - can be placed next to bins for collection

(place all recycling next to Pikitup bins on collection day, white bag for paper and plastic bags will be delivered on 12 May)

### **What cannot be recycled?**

Food waste	Toxic waste	Steel (this can be recycled at the Pikitup garden site on Cedar road, Kyalami AH.)
Wood	Polystyrene	Wax or plastic coated packaging
Batteries	Lightbulbs	Nappies
Tissue paper	Flat glass	

For further information about this programme in your area, please contact:

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Bontle Ke Tlhago: 'The beauty of nature is the beauty of the nation'

**Bontle Ke Tlhago Co-operated Limited** is a community based business initiative addressing the issue of youth unemployment in Diepsloot. The project calls on the residents to keep Diepsloot clean to instil pride in the community. It is a recycling project that has found value in the refuse that is polluting our land. Bontle ke Tlhago aims to see progress and development in the community. The business was initiated by youth and puts the needs of youth first.

#### Waste buyback centre:

Land was identified and leased to Bontle Ke Tlhago Co-operative Limited for 9 years, for construction of the recycling buy-back Centre. PPC Cement assisted with the construction of the Centre and operational equipment. Pikitup currently assists with two trucks for collection in Diepsloot and recycling bags. The Centre is fully operational and was launched on the 15 November 2012. Bontle Ke Tlhago currently employs 15 permanent staff and hires additional staff to assist when volumes are high. The Centre is a registered Co-Operative and licensed as a facility for storage, sorting, shredding, binding or bailing of General waste.



#### Community programmes:

Bontle Ke Tlhago also initiates projects to raise awareness and improve the environment in Diepsloot. Arbor Day tree planting, Clean up days, planting of vegetable gardens and the Go Green campaigns are a few of these initiatives. Kyalami and Diepsloot have joined forces on Clean up campaigns in both communities.



#### Partnership opportunities:

Because of the nature of waste management in Diepsloot the profit margins are quite low. The Centre needs to increase volumes to become a self sustaining business. Areas like Kyalami can assist by directing recyclables to the Centre which will enable more employment in the immediate area. The **Green Neighbourhood project** initiated by GEKCO has encouraged events in the conservancy to direct waste to the Centre. The African Cycle challenge and Standard Bank Family Day were two such events.

Pikitup is currently transporting the waste for the Centre however this arrangement is temporary until the Centre can obtain its own vehicles. Bontle Ke Tlhago is currently looking for additional support in the donation of vehicles and equipment for the centre as listed below:

Still required:

8 ton truck, Pallet Jack, Forklift, Weigh Bridge, Bailing machine, 10 x three wheel trolleys, 2 x container (28m<sup>3</sup>)

Please contact Bontle Ke Tlhago if you would like to offer assistance. Bernard Mulauzi 073 067-9299