Savings Group Brochure

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Abstract: This document contains a brochure outlining the current layout of the Sidiniwe Savings group in Langrug. It outlines the operations of the group up to this point and lays out the future goals of operations for the group. In doing this, it is extremely helpful in introducing the concept to new people as well as recruiting new people for this group and others that are similar throughout South Africa and informal settlements throughout the world. This document also gives a detailed view of what groups such as these can accomplish and aspire to accomplish in a short amount of time.

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The **Sidiniwe Savings Group** is a team of both Mandela Park and Zwelitsha community members that work together to increase the livelihood and standard of living within Langrug Informal Settlement. This collective group functions for the purpose of personal and community savings. Each member contributes R10 per week, and this money is used to invest in new projects, such as the WaSH facility at Zwelitsha, for Langrug.

Founding members of the group helped design and build the Mandela Park WaSH-UP Facility. The group has also been working with the Community Organisation Resource Centre (CORC) to maintain this facility since August 2014. In 2014, this savings group helped design and began construction on a new WaSH-UP facility in Zwelitsha.

The Sidiniwe Savings Group has a written constitution that outlines their purpose, all of their membership terms, and officer positions. Feel free to ask to look at this document for more information about the group’s operations. See the back of this flyer for a detailed visual that shows the positions within the savings group.
The savings group has many goals and hopes to work with non-government organizations and Stellenbosch Municipality to improve Langrug. One major project they currently lead is managing WaSH-UP Facilities. The savings group has been maintaining the facility in Mandela Park and will be expanding to the facility in Zwelitsha upon completion.