

Dear Residents of ORV

We as a village would like to do the right thing for Knysna as a community.

Stop to think for one minute what it would be like to return home tonight and your home has gone up in smoke. And together with your house, your work as well.

Many people worked from home, or were working in the forestry's, had a BnB, etc, which has all disappeared in minutes.

Please rest assured, and we underline: We have done some extensive research of trusted sources to ensure you feel comfortable in your choices of donations.

Here are our options and we look forward to receiving your contributions.

We have given you a few possibilities just to underline that there are no selected avenues where you feel obligated or wary that your donations are going to be lost in logistics.

There is a desperate need for water (5 litres sealed bottles) available from SPAR All Saints, Pick n Pay, Checkers at R19 for a sealed 5 litres bottle. Knysna already had a water crisis before the fire and now all reserves were used to kill the fires.

HOWEVER, we have made a deal with OASIS Water in Northlands Business Park, right next door to Decho Park, at R12 for a 5 litre sealed bottle. You can either bring it to reception or if you have bought too many to transport, it will be stored there at Oasis and collected by Morgan Nissan Northcliff (Wayne) who will transport it to Knysna.

For further reference to check this arrangement please feel free to contact the owner of Oasis, Komani, on 0740466770.

Similarly, for those who have family and friends further afield, 5l water bottles can also be purchased from Seven Seas Fisheries (Gary) in Beyers Naude and Windsor West to be collected and distributed by Morgan Nissan Northcliff.

There is furthermore a need for appliances, kettles, gas bottles, 2 plate stoves, any small appliance you can think of that you may have spare.

Mattresses, linen, towels, baby nappies, any kind of toiletries, cloths, baby clothes, and off course any clothes that you may have of no use anymore.

Anything will be greatly appreciated. Even a not too bulky piece of furniture!

These items can be brought to reception or we will collect it from your house – just call reception. We have made arrangements with Morgans Nissan in Northcliff to collect for distribution directly to Knysna collecting points.

You may also drop off any of the above at Freshouse next door where it will be collected by different organisations such as DHL, Gift of the Givers, or churches.

We have made sure we connect with the right people extensively to ensure that all goes where it is intended.

CASH DONATIONS:

To those who do not have items to donate or can go to the trouble to shop as they do not know what they need, we have sourced a VERY RELIABLE AND TRUSTWORTHY CHANNEL AS FOLLOWS.

PINK LOERIE MARDI GRAS AND ARTS FESTIVAL SOUTHERN AFRICA FOUNDATION (Non-Profit Company Registration Number: 2016/283475/08 - NPO Number: 181-161)

ABSA

Account Number: 93-2544-3421

Branch Code: 632005

Account Type: Savings

Ref: KnysnaRelief and your name

For more info please email them on: Email knysnarelieff@pinkloeriefoundation.com

Or contact them by phone:

Chairperson Johann van Niekerk: 0733553226

Committee members: Jacqueline: 0794822483 or John: 0833479570

For those who are interested in tax relief, THEY DO ISSUE 18A tax certificates for tax deductions.

THANK YOU, no matter how big or how small your donation, they need your help.

In closing: Fire is colour blind, does not negotiate and has no boundaries.

Kind regards

Tracy-Lynne Daling

General Manager