

Dear 'Friend of Lavender Hill High School',

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Lavender Hill Secondary School has recently received the excellent news that building will soon begin on a school hall, thanks to a 5 million rand partnership between Garden Cities Archway Foundation and the Western Cape Education Department. The school was chosen for the receipt of the hall due to its remarkable growth and success of the past few years:- the number of matric pupils rises year on year as does the pass rate, and learners are gaining ever increasing advantages through the new sports-fields, the gym, the computer labs, and the fully equipped library.

Further evidence of the new found status of the school is the new security fence currently being erected. The school has long had to contend with unsociable elements in the community, and this fence installed by 'Safe Schools' has already engendered a sense of security amongst the staff and learners.

The hall does not come without its cost: one of the conditions is that the school raise R200 000 as their contribution. Furthermore all fittings and fixtures, from chairs to sound system, kitchen to curtains, have to be paid for by the school. Fund raising initiatives are being started:- the school will be holding a fund raising breakfast for all parents and interested community members, and the Lavender Hill Development Trust (set up to help development at the school) is opening a dedicated 'School Hall' fund (see initial hall designs on the next page).

The hall will be the latest facility available to staff and learners at the school, and the school plans to use it to help the greater Lavender Hill Community. It will go a long way to help the school achieve its vision as a 'YES' School (Youth Empowerment through Schools).

The Archway Foundation was established by the 92-year-old Cape residential development Company, Garden Cities. The halls are built and funded by the Archway Foundation together with contributions from the Western Cape Education Department. The Archway is supported by profits from Garden Cities. In the past few years, other corporates and foundations have added their financial weight to the effort.

Regards,

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Trustee / Administrator: The Lavender Hill Development Trust.



