

RIDE 4 EDUCATION

Four committed and passionate young learners who can't afford the high school education they deserve will now, as a result of Ride 4 Education's fundraising efforts, be able to go to high school.

Ride 4 Education, a non-profit organisation founded in 2012, raised R25000 during the recent Sani2C for the four youngsters, whose school fees, materials and uniform costs will be covered for their entire high school career. Ride 4 Education worked in conjunction with the Lungesani Indlela Fund, whose vision it is to transform and empower the lives of the people and children of Amaoti, to identify the four learners.

The vision of Ride 4 Education is to create, empower and mobilise a community of individuals or corporates, working together, to make a difference by either making a contribution financially or physically giving back to those in need by providing the greatest gift of all...Education.

The two key partners of Ride 4 Education are Varsity College and AfriSam. Varsity College's involvement is as a result of Kevin Johnson, founder of Ride 4 Education also being the National Stakeholder Manager of Varsity College. Says Kevin: "Ride 4 Education and Varsity College share a common vision – one of making a difference in the world of education. Varsity College kindly sponsored our two man team's entry into the Sani2C. We then managed to, with the support of AfriSam and other sponsors, raise the R25 000". Says Daniel Dlamini, CSR Professional of AfriSam: "We are very proud to be a partner of Ride 4 Education, and are excited about playing a part on the education of the four deserving learners".

Preparation for the Sani2C included over 5500km of riding, early morning starts, every morning, regardless of the conditions and staying motivated to improve on the two performance of last year and to raise the much needed R25 000.

Ride 4 Education's long term vision for the four learners is to secure tertiary education for them thus ensuring they are well prepared to reach their potential. Moving forward to 2014 the goal is to raise R36000 to assist a further 6 learners with schooling so as to provide them with the much needed break in life.

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