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## Media Release

## Rössing Foundation spreads love to Swakopmund child safety home

**14 February 2024** – The Rössing Foundation today announced its' donation of N\$350,000 to the Ruach Elohim Foundation. The donation is aimed to bolster continued efforts to caring of abandoned, neglected and abused babies in Namibia.

The Ruach Elohim Foundation is a registered Child Protection Organization focussing on the awareness and prevention of baby dumping.

Of the total donation, N\$240,000 is allocated to enhancing social work expertise within the Ruach Elohim Foundation. This investment will empower their team to provide comprehensive support and assistance to individuals and families in need across Namibia. N\$50,000 will be dedicated to awareness creation and capacity building initiatives, enabling the Ruach Elohim Foundation to expand its reach and effectiveness in addressing baby dumping. The remaining N\$60,000 will be allocated towards providing essential infant formula milk, ensuring the well-being and nourishment of the children.

This significant contribution underscores the Rössing Foundation's commitment to fostering sustainable development and addressing critical societal needs.

At the handover at the home of safety today, Maria Immanuel, the Rssing Foundation's Liaison and Community Development Manager applauded the work of the Ruach Elohim Foundation, highlighting that in a world where the numbers of baby dumping are on a rise, every effort to protect the vulnerable should be supported. "In a world where the act of baby dumping persists as a heartbreaking reality, the foundation's dedication to providing a safe haven for these innocent lives speaks volume. Every baby deserves love, care, and a chance to thrive, and it is through initiatives like the Baby Saver Box that we as Rössing Foundation can make a tangible difference in their lives," said Immanuel.

The Rössing Foundation commend the Ruach Elohim Foundation for their compassionate initiative establishing a baby saver box, an innovative solution that allows mothers to safely surrender their infants, preventing unsafe abandonment and contributing significantly to the prevention of abortion.

Immanuel added that mothers continue to face vast societal challenges and deserve all the support from society.

Ruach Elohim Foundation founder Ronel Peters highlighted the increasing operations costs at the safety homes. "We would like to thank the Rössing Foundation for the donation. It is



not easy to run this course especially with all costs involved. At the end of the day, our duty is to care for the children and we are now in a better position to provide that care, thanks to the Rössing Foundation," said Peters.

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