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TAC running out of funds for Humanitarian Aid

The TAC is running out of funds to supply humanitarian relief to the approximately 5 000 displaced persons living in city and community halls and camps in the Western Cape. As of 30 July 2008 the TAC had spent R 2,744,891.50 on direct humanitarian assistance. The amount to date is now closer to R 2,900,000.00. The Joint Operation Centre (with both Provincial and City representatives) is still unable or unwilling to meet the basic needs of those displaced. This is especially concerning in the case of women and children and in particular those at smaller shelters which receive no government assistance. We have notified the JOC, Province and City that we will be unable to provide aid beyond Monday 11 August 2008. However, it appears that we will run short of funds even before this date. In addition we are concerned that urgent humanitarian intervention may need to be made in various instances after Monday 11 August.

We appeal to all members of the public to make cash donations to the TAC for this purpose. These may be made into our bank account ? click ?donate? above for the details. Alternatively material donations can be delivered to a store room opposite our national offices which is located at 122 Long Market Street. The most urgent needs are: baby food, baby formula, nappies, sanitary towels, toiletries, toilet paper, soap, washing powder, dry goods such as meilie-pap, rice, canned food and other non-perishables.

A full reconciliation of our expenditure thus far will be viewable on this site by no later that Friday 8 August 2008.

We would like to thank all those who have donated: individuals, business and donors. An equal thanks to those who have donated their time and energy.

Donations of ANY amount are valuable. Click here to donate.

Click here to see the TAC?s press statement on the issue.

Click here to see the TAC?s letter to the JOC, Provincial and City Government.

Click here to go to TAC?s Xenophobia webpage.

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