



**Newsletter #3 (4 Pages)
July 9, 2019**

Dear YASC Volunteers,

Departure is approaching soon! We are working hard preparing for your arrival- together with the incredible staff at Amandla and our amazing logistics ground partner, Spirit of Africa. Project Teams are doing superb work on pre-trip preparations as well.

This is the final Newsletter with important and updated information. I recommend reviewing Newsletters #1 and #2 which has a lot of very important information as well.

Updated Directory

The YASC Cape Town 2019 Directory has been updated. Please replace the initial Directory provided in Newsletter #2.

Here is the link:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/k3vu5kxcl5e7wrc/Cape%20Town%202019%20Directory%2007.02.19.pdf?dl=0>

YASC Cape Town 2018 Project Videos

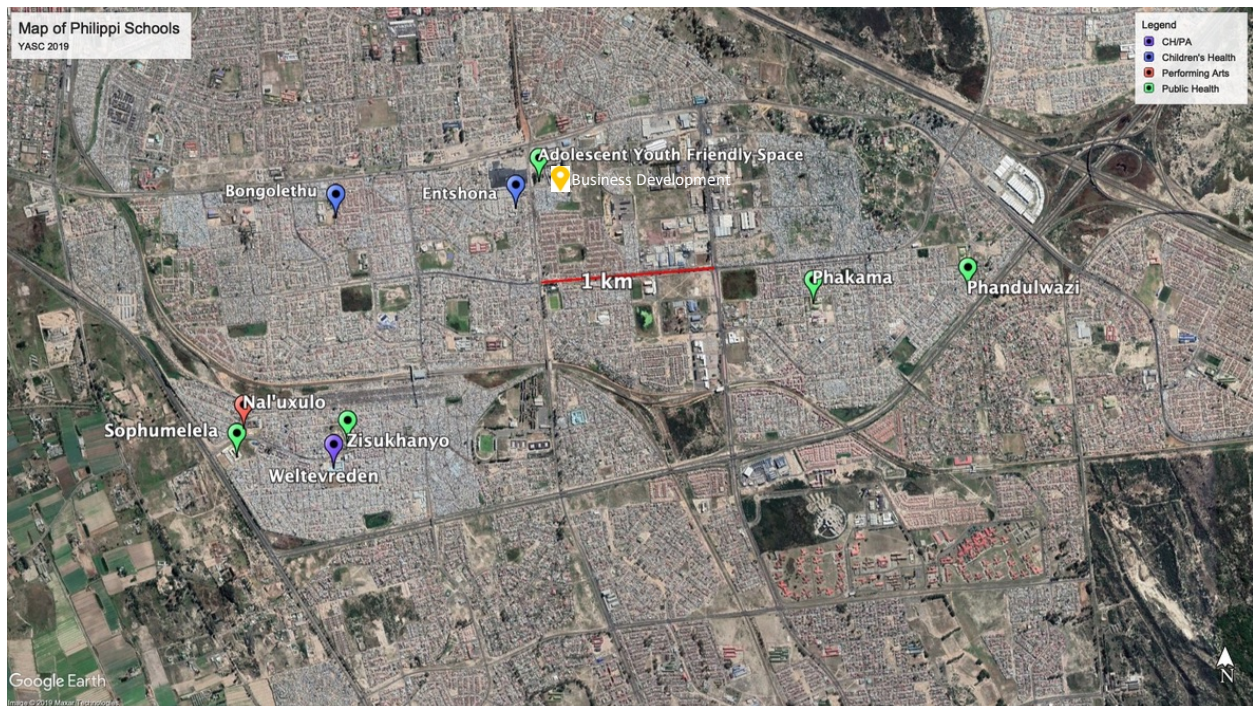
These two videos highlight some, not all, of last year's YASC Cape Town projects. Keep in mind this year we are less than half the size of last year and we have four projects compared last year's project total of eight. The videos will give you a flavor of the valuable impact you will have in Philippi!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ihNhDwHpLko>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nCm8AIVsOvk>

YASC 2019 Projects

We will be in several schools in Philippi. (See School Map and Project Legend). Project Reports from each of the Project Leaders will be provided to you at the beginning of the program and updates from each project will be presented regularly during the service week. You will have a few Project planning sessions with your Team before the service week begins. We will also have a bus tour of Philippi prior to the start of the service week.



Flight Information

You should have your flight information by now sent to our logistics partner, Spirit of Africa:

yaccapetown2019@spiritofafrica.co.za

Email subject line: Flights - Name & Surname

Email content:

1. Number of people in group
2. ARRIVAL : Date, Time, Flight Number
3. DEPARTURE : Date, Time, Flight Number

Dress

Dress is casual for the program. You may want to consider bringing something dressier for the end-of-program celebration. Because temperatures will fluctuate this time of year in Cape Town (low 40s to high 70s, intermittent rain), the best recommendation in general is to dress in layers. Your swag bag will include a YASC hoodie, tote bag, and collapsible water bottle.

YASC Talent Show

This is your chance to entertain us with your other talent! Song, dance, poetry, comedy, music, skits, etc., are welcome! Sign-up sheets will be available at the hotel. Participation is strongly encouraged! And don't forget to bring your props!

Money

S. African currency is the Rand. Currently 1 US Dollar= 14.21 Rand.

ATMs are available at the airport and as well as the mall which is nearby the hotel.

You may want to have some local cash on hand for souvenirs, gifts, etc. You will need cash to purchase from most of the vendors who will be showcasing their crafts at the Vendor Showcase.

Update on Electrical Plugs

The Vineyard Hotel, I have been told, still uses the older three-pronged round pin plugs (red arrows). The new SANS 164-2 plugs have not replaced them yet (in middle). See Newsletter #2 for more details on electronics in South Africa.



Travel Tips

There is a mall walking distance from the hotel called the Cavendish Mall where you can get many things you may have forgotten at home or need. Also, check out the YASC Cape Town Itinerary for links to travel information to South Africa. The CDC Travel website has useful health-related travel packing tips. Smartertravel website has some useful international travel tips.

<https://wetu.com/itinerary/Landing/03759BF0-6D8C-45DA-87DA-1C812EDE87D6>

(Click "Destination" at bottom of the page, then click "Cape Town", and see the link, "Read more on traveling to S. Africa").

<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel>

(Choose S. Africa as your destination then click on the link "healthy travel packing list")

<https://www.smartertravel.com/the-ultimate-checklist-for-traveling-abroad/>

I look forward to seeing you in Cape Town!

Liz Jordan
YASC 2019 Trip Leader