

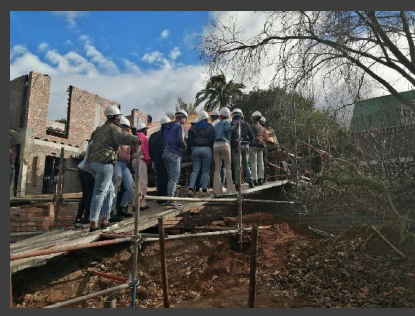
GO FOR GOLD NEWSLETTER

The latest news and updates from Go for Gold



Unlocking Career Potential

In 2024, Go for Gold's Education Development Programme enabled youth to explore careers in construction and manufacturing, partnering with industry leaders for real-world experience. Through internships, site visits, and mentorship, students gained valuable insights and skills, preparing them for meaningful, sustainable employment.



June Holiday Programme

In 2024, Go for Gold's June Holiday Programme gave Grade 12 students in Cape Town and Johannesburg essential industry exposure. They toured partner work sites like W Unser Construction in Cape Town and Aerosud in Johannesburg. These interactions with technical professionals and on-site experiences provided practical insights into the construction and manufacturing sectors, leaving students with lasting impressions of how their maths and science studies apply in the real world.



Annual Industry Fundraising Dinner

The Go for Gold Annual Industry Fundraising Dinner, held on 18 July 2024 at Pigalle, was a tremendous success, raising R614,375 for our education-to-employment programme. Over 200 guests attended, contributing through table purchases, the Bursary Challenge, and prize donations.

The evening was filled with laughter thanks to Kagiso Mokgadi's humour. Verity, our guest speaker, inspired with her message on the power of education, while Kim Connelly ensured the event ran smoothly as MC. We were also thrilled by the continued support of Go for Gold alumni, who secured and paid for two tables, demonstrating the lasting impact of the programme.

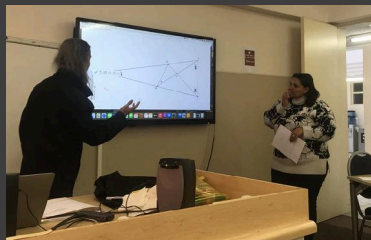
We are deeply grateful for the generosity of our partners, sponsors, and alumni. Your contributions will directly benefit the hundreds of youth we equip each year to become future leaders in South Africa's construction and manufacturing sectors. Thank you for helping us make a difference!



Funds raised: R614,375 *Thank you!*

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Teacher Development Pilot



The Go for Gold 2024 Teacher Training pilot benefitted Mathematics and Science educators in Cape Town, offering advanced teaching strategies, subject content, and wellness support. Partnering with CLTI, sessions included geometry, science experiments, and stress management techniques. Feedback highlighted that the training was well-organized with useful tools but recommended more time for complex topics. Future plans aim for broader participation, expanded content, and improved delivery, ensuring stronger teaching impact and enhanced educator well-being.



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Great news! All our 2024 Grade 12 students secured Workplace Learning Internships for 2025, thanks to our supportive partners: Amandla Construction, Civils 2000, dhk Architects, Ekcon, Haw & Inglis, Martin & East, Metapepe, R+N Master Builders, Roadmac, Stefanutti Stocks, Tuboseal and W Unser Construction.

HR teams from our partner companies conducted students' first-ever interviews. Although nervous, our students enjoyed the experience.

This internship provides real-world experience and guidance to help students choose their 2026 study paths, ensuring career readiness.



Awards Ceremony

The 2024 Awards Ceremony was a memorable event, celebrating the achievements of Grade 12 and Workplace Learning Internship students, teachers, and partner organizations. It recognized outstanding performance, dedication, and contributions across various categories, with special awards for exceptional leadership and excelling in Maths and Science. Attendees were inspired by success stories and motivated to continue their efforts on the Go for Gold education journey.

The event concluded with this years Workplace Learning Internship students handing down their hard hats to the new 2025 WLI students. Congratulations all!



International Support Growing

Exciting news for Go for Gold! Our international donor connections in Germany continue to flourish, and we're thrilled to establish a new partnership with the Czech Republic. Following our 2023 visit to Germany, Professor Maisch has secured incredible support from German Rotary Clubs, including Bad Homburg vor der Höhe, Baunatal, Kassel-Hofgeismar, Korbach-Bad Arolsen, Wiesbaden, Berlin-International, Nürnberg-Reichswald, Salzgitter-Wolfenbüttel-Vorharz, the Umckaloabo Foundation, and from the Czech Republic, Rotary Club Budweis. This generous funding will sponsor the Education Development Programme for 22 Grade 11 and 12 students in 2025. Thank you for your ongoing support!



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New Partners

Go for Gold is thrilled to welcome new industry partners from the South African construction sector, including Ekcon Consulting Engineers and Roadmac. Their involvement strengthens our mission to bridge the gap between education and employment, providing students with invaluable opportunities for Workplace Learning Internships. By collaborating with industry leaders, we ensure our students gain real-world experience, guiding them toward successful careers while contributing to the sector's growth and transformation. We look forward to impactful partnerships ahead!

Thank you to all our partners and donors.



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Alumni Network Growing

Go for Gold's Alumni network grows each year, welcoming more graduates into the fold. This expanding network connects former students, fostering mentorship, career opportunities, and lifelong support. It provides a platform for sharing experiences, building professional connections, and staying engaged with the programme's mission. The alumni network is invaluable for empowering future generations, offering guidance, and ensuring continuous growth for both individuals and the broader Go for Gold community. Thank you to the Go for Gold Alumni Committee for all you doing.



Message from our MD

As Managing Director of Go for Gold, I'm incredibly proud of our progress this year. Through our Education Development Programme, we've supported countless students, empowering them with the skills and knowledge needed for success. Our Workplace Learning Internship students gained invaluable hands-on experience, while many have moved on to higher education, continuing their academic journey. We also launched an exciting Teacher Development project, set to continue in 2025, enhancing teaching excellence. In 2024, we welcomed a new group of graduates into our alumni network, with more to come. Together with our partners, we're shaping brighter futures. Thank you!



Thank you to:

- The Go for Gold Board
- Go for Gold Staff
- Partner companies
- Golden students

*Wishing
you a
Blessed
New Year!*

*Season's
Greetings*

Go for Gold offices close on 13 December 2024
and reopen 6 January 2025.