COMMUNITY SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Who We Are: A Socially Conscious, Sustainable Business

Our approach to Responsible Corporate citizenship is guided by:

• Our strong corporate governance code
• The recognition that people are our greatest investment
• The knowledge that we are embedded in the community for the greater good
• The United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) most relevant to Blanket Mine:

• Quality education (SDG 4)
• Good health and wellbeing (SDG 3)
• Climate action (SDG 13)
• Decent work and economic growth (SDG 8)
• Clean water and sanitation (SDG 6)
• Reduced inequality (SDG 10)
Our CSR strategy is designed to deliver a strategic, sustainable response to some community needs. Our focus areas are defined under the following sustainability pillars:

1. Education
2. Health
3. Women and Girls’ empowerment
4. Agriculture
5. Environment
6. Charity
SUSTAINABILITY PILLAR: EDUCATION

We believe in the power of education as a tool to better livelihoods. Our support towards primary, high and tertiary education targets to deliver improved quality education that uplifts marginalised students around the Gwanda community.
SUSTAINABILITY PILLAR: HEALTH

We target to help communities lead healthy lives by providing them with access to healthcare and safe water.
SUSTAINABILITY PILLAR: WOMEN AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

We seek to uplift the status of women and youth through education and training. Empowered women significantly contribute to household food security, improved health and overall economic growth.
Agriculture water is a vital resource that enables irrigation and sustains animal husbandry in the arid Matabeleland area of Zimbabwe. As part of our contribution towards community agriculture, we develop market gardens using Blanket Mine irrigation infrastructure and construct livestock water pens and dip tanks around surrounding villages.
SUSTAINABILITY PILLAR: ENVIRONMENT

We target to manage and minimise the impact of our operations on the natural environment and contiguous communities.
SUSTAINABILITY PILLAR: CHARITY

As part of the Gwanda community, we are invested in the everyday challenges confronting our community. The Charity Pillar enables us to swiftly attend to emergencies impacting the community due to natural disasters.