



## MUAST DONATES VEGETABLES TO MARONDERA HOSPITAL

The Marondera University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology donated 172 bundles of vegetables to Marondera Provincial Hospital on Monday the 21st of September 2020. The University made this donation, curtesy of the MUAST farm, to give to the community as part of its corporate social responsibility. Being the province's very own State University and heeding the call to support the University's home province, the Marondera University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology donated 100 bundles of rape, 60 bundles of mustard (tsunga) and 12 bundles of spinach, all worth \$5,200 to the Hospital. The hospital Superintendent, Dr Dhege, administration staff and the Hospital Food Services Supervisor were elated by this kind gesture made by MUAST.

The hospital superintendent emphasised the importance of vegetables in the human diet, particularly the health compromised. "We believe that the relationship between the two sister organisations will continue indefinitely as we serve our Mashonaland East community and beyond." The Farm Board Chairperson for MUAST, Dr Gumbo highlighted that MUAST is willing to work with the community as part of its corporate social responsibility. He also echoed that the University is determined to turn Marondera into a University town and contribute positively to the growth of the province. He took the opportunity to inform the hospital staff in attendance that other than Agricultural Sciences, the University also offers Agribusiness, Developmental and Environmental degrees and was still enrolling students.

The Hospital Food Services Supervisor, Mrs Kasambarare appealed to the university that they partner with their department in production of healthy vegetables and other food products for consumption by the patients and the hospital community.



*MUAST Farm Board Chairperson, Dr Gumbo, Handing Over Vegetables to the Marondera Hospital Food Services Supervisor, Mrs Kasambarare (left) and the Hospital Superintendent, Dr Dhege (right)*

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