



Young and old receive eye care inside the Phelophepha health care train.

Plans on track to grow Phelophepha

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FOR 17 years the Phelophepha train has been travelling from town to town, treating people in rural communities.

So inspired is Yanga Dumalile by it that she's working at getting the project going in Willowvale where she's from.

As one of 1 200 volunteers on the train, Yanga's dreams came true. She is a student at the Centre for Entrepreneurship at Wits Business School and is developing a social entrepreneurship model to com-

plement the service offered by the train. She plans to work with optometrists and opticians, starting in Willowvale and then expanding.

Dr Lynette Coetzee, portfolio manager of health at the Transnet Foundation, has welcomed this initiative and has offered support.

■ Phelophepha has modern medical equipment to provide general health, eye and dental care, screening for diabetes and cancer, as well as psychological counselling services.