



- The need for qualified toolmakers in the South African economy cannot be overstated – particularly in view of the need for ongoing development of the local manufacturing industry.
- **Conclusion:** The TCOE remains a beneficiary of Transvelop, and is likely to begin to truly impact the local tool-making industry in the next 12 – 24 months. SETA accreditation remains a stumbling block in this regard, and is forcing the TCOE (now structured as a S21 company) to focus on private industry for funding purposes. The state of the art equipment in the facility will ensure its competitiveness for the foreseeable future, provided that all stakeholders in the company (most notably it's sister KZN FET college) play along.

- **Beneficiary: NEXGEN** - This programme runs in the Reiger Park Community on Johannesburg's East Rand. It has become increasingly apparent here (as in other similarly depressed communities), that matriculated learners from Previously Disadvantaged Areas find it particularly difficult to obtain and retain employment. This is primarily owing to their lack of exposure and experience of business. In addition, a grade 12 certificate does not necessarily mean that the individual is marketable i.e. able to adapt and grow in an ever-changing business environment. It is also important to understand that for the majority of these individuals, English is not necessarily their first language, making it difficult for them to sharpen their skills and compete in a dynamically interactive age. The accumulative result hereof, leads to unemployment, crime and other social problems - primarily facilitated through such poverty.



- **Programme:** It is made up of career boosting short courses that are in high demand in the business environment. These courses introduce the individual to a particular field or skill whilst adding value to their professional knowledge. The NexGen program predominantly focuses on Matriculants or "Drop outs" between the ages of 18 and 25, entering the job or business market but without the Literacy, Leadership or Life skills to effectively do so.
- **Investors:**
  - Eberspaecher South Africa
  - Kwela Logistics
  - Traceability Solutions
  - Associated Automotive Distributors (AAD)
  - Cardinal Insurance
  - Promo Experts
  - Eurosteel
- **Total Investment Amount:** R218,028