

# Unam law students receive financial assistance



Head of claims: Trustco Insurance - Kevin Anderson, bursary recipients, Bernice Keet, Julia Nampweya, Undjimuna Katjerungu and head: Trustco Insurance - Annette Brand. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

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Trustco Insurance, through its Legal Shield product, recently provided financial assistance to three University of Namibia (Unam) law students for the 2019 academic year. The students received financial support as well as an opportunity to conduct their work-integrated learning at Trustco Insurance upon graduation.



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The beneficiaries of the Legal Shield bursary scheme each received a total of N\$30 000. The recipients are Bernice Keet, Julia Nampweya and Undjimuna Katjerungu. The financial assistance will enable them to focus on their studies rather than the financial hardships encountered when pursuing a higher education qualification.

Since 2002, the Legal Shield bursary initiative has awarded in excess of N\$1 million to numerous students. Upon completion of their studies, the three recipients will be granted the opportunity of employment at Trustco Insurance where they will each receive valuable practical experience in the legal working environment. This

is to equip them for the future by enhancing their confidence in executing tasks. To date, a total of 42 bursaries have benefited from the financial assistance provided through the Legal Shield scheme. Kevin Anderson, Trustco Insurance's head of claims, stated that in fulfilment of Trustco's social responsibilities, they should not just pay lip service to an idea but take the time not only to provide financial assistance, but to also provide a solid support base that will produce well-balanced individuals who are ready to shape the future. Speaking to *The Zone*, Bernice Keet an LLB third-year student, said having received the bursary, she feels relieved. She said just because financial security exists at the moment, doesn't mean she should sit back and just watch it play out. She needs to keep on securing her future.

"I feel that no matter the security of my education this year; I shouldn't take it for granted. I shouldn't be relaxed, I should stay on my game. I'm half way there, I should stay strong," she said. Keet urged the youth to work hard. She added that one does not need to be an A-student to have passion, drive and perseverance. "You need to work when work is to be done. Strive for success, no matter the situation, and believe in yourself. Look back and admire where you are and what you've come from," she said.

The management of Trustco Insurance believes that investing in promising legal students is an investment in the future. Legal Shield was launched in 2000 as the only Namibian legal insurance provider. It offers affordable legal cover against costs stemming from civil, criminal, matrimonial, labour and administrative matters.