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## Indawo Yethemba Children's Village

### Update



Indawo Yethemba Children's Village's Caregivers

For the first time ever, Bob and Joanna are on furlough in the states and have left the caregivers completely in control of the children's village. Normally, volunteers would arrive and assist;

however, travel after the pandemic is still somewhat uncertain, especially during the Graham's initial planning stage to return home. Without a doubt, Bob was convinced that these ladies could manage

during their six-month absence. Currently, they are well. Most of the teens have even showed their increasing maturity by taking responsibility for certain day-to-day operational tasks, such as washing buses. One of the main blessings prior to the Grahams' departure was the addition of solar power, which allows the village to avoid the country's massive rotating power outages. This major crisis will only get worse as the country's power grid continues to be unreliable and may collapse.

Though other good charities exist, we like to think that ours is one of the most rewarding because donations go directly to benefit our Children's Village. **We have no paid staff; our directors are volunteers and receive no financial benefits; and my wife and I receive funding from our supporting churches via a missions' clearinghouse in Missouri.**



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## PEPFAR at Twenty Years

### Tina Reed



President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, the biggest effort by one nation to address a particular disease is close to its 20<sup>th</sup> birthday.

But advocates worry the U.S. may take its foot off the gas. Twenty years after President George W. Bush launched PEPFAR in his 2003 State of the

Union address, the \$7 billion-a-year program is up for reauthorization in Congress. Despite past bipartisan support, PEPFAR has been flat-funded for years and could fall victim to partisan fights and shifting public health priorities. This five-year renewal partly hinges on whether there are any basic changes to the program, or whether lawmakers opt for a new program. (see "PEPFAR" p.2)

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# CRP'S SPRING/SUMMER FUNDRAISING DRIVE

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## Jeff Riber Educational Fund

One dear friend of the project was Jeff Riber, Sr., who left this life way too early. To help with educational expenses for not only primary and secondary but also university schooling, the Riber Educational Fund was established. Current costs to educate our children is



around \$20,000 annually. This number is expected to increase as children reach post secondary levels. Consider donating by visiting [www.sacrp.org](http://www.sacrp.org)

## PEPFAR (continued)

"Too many times, I think we start patting ourselves on the back before we're done," said Deborah Birx, former White House coronavirus response coordinator, drawing a parallel to the U.S. COVID-19 response. "We still have a long way to go." PEPFAR, which was architected in part by former NIAID director Anthony Fauci, was started at a time when communities in Africa were being devastated by HIV/AIDS, said Birx, who led PEPFAR from 2014 – 2020. When Bush announced PEPFAR, Congress allocated \$15 million in spending over

five years, Brix and her colleagues were stunned. "I couldn't believe it," said Birx. "This was not business as usual. This was about doing things differently and consistently," she continued. Congress has since allocated more than \$100 billion globally for access to tools like antiretroviral medications, preventive prophylaxis drugs, HIV counseling and testing, voluntary male circumcision, and health care worker training. An estimated 25 million lives have been saved and more than 5.5 million babies have been born HIV-free as a result. To continue reading click [PEPFAR](#).

## REASONS TO GIVE TO CHARITIES

The Link Between Giving and Joy Is Real

Giving Strengthens Personal Values

Demonstrates Importance to Children

Inspires Others to Take Part

Giving Is Biblical

Oh! Yes, Gifts Are Tax Deductible

## PLANNING AN AFRICAN TRIP?



Nowhere else in the world can one find so much beauty and opportunity to serve than at *Indawo Yethemba Children's Village*. Generally, groups arrive in Johannesburg, where they are collected for a road trip to Ashburton. Along the way, they stop for coffee and brief snack. Upon arrival at the village, they quickly spend the evening recovering from a long trip. The groups then spend the first part of their trip working at the

### Indawo Yethemba Children's Village is a Perfect Destination

village. Afternoons are spent helping children with school-related projects. Evenings are spent having fun time with the kids. The second part of a group's time is generally spent working with missionaries doing such things as children and youth camps. The last part of the trip is generally spent seeing some of the most beautiful places in the world. Imagine a sunrise breakfast



in the African bush while seeing some of God's wonderful creations or an elephant crossing while traveling across Botswana. Perhaps, you have dreamed of walking in the in the midst of Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe or hiking the mountains of Cape Point while searching for whales. Consider forming a team today by contacting Bob at [dr.bobgraham@gmail.com](mailto:dr.bobgraham@gmail.com).

**STANDARD**  
Duration: 8-12 Days  
Travellers: 6 - 25  
Includes Kruger National Park  
Cost: \$800

**EXPERIENCE SOUTH AFRICA**  
Duration: 10 - 12 Days  
Travellers: 6 - 10  
Includes Kruger National Park and Cape Town  
Cost: \$1300

**EXPERIENCE SOUTHERN AFRICAN**  
Duration: 12 - 14 Days  
Travellers: 6 - 10  
Includes Chobe (Botswana), Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe), Kruger National Park and Cape Town (South Africa)  
Cost: \$3,200

\*Costs are estimates and include transportation, food, lodging and visas. and do not include round-trip airfare to South Africa.

## Operating Budget



As a nongovernment entity, the Children's Resiliency Project receives most of its funding from businesses, churches and individuals to operate its children's villages in South Africa. To keep operating efficiently during the year, charity must generate at least \$9091 per month to reach its current

yearly operating expense of \$109,100. Caregivers do receive \$2,600 per month from social development to help cover the

cost of food. All other expenses are covered by gifts of friends and family. Online donations at [www.sacrp.org](http://www.sacrp.org)

CRP'S BASIC OPERATING COSTS			
Expense	Monthly	Yearly	Once Off
Caregivers' Supplement	\$600	\$7,200	
Food	\$2,500	\$30,000	
Insurance	\$542	\$6,500	
Maintenance	\$583	\$7,000	
Renovations	\$500	\$6,000	
Education	\$1,500	\$18,000	
Transportation	\$1200	\$14,400	
Utilities	\$1500	\$15000	
Vehicle Maintenance	\$416	\$5,000	
Activity Center			\$4,000
Home Sponsorship			\$35,000
Solar Update			\$11,000

All donations are tax deductible (EIN 20-215709).

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WHAT WE  
GET. WE  
MAKE A LIFE  
BY WHAT WE  
GIVE.

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## Supporting Indawo Yethemba (Place of Hope)

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Online Donations at [www.sacrp.org](http://www.sacrp.org) (select "Give Now")  
Electronic Checks, Visa/Mastercard Accepted

Receipts of Gifts to CRP Available Each January

CRP Does Not Exchange Donor Information

CRP Directors and Officers Do Not Receive Salaries or Benefits

All Funds Are Used to Benefit *Indawo Yethemba* Children's Village



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"SUFFER THE LITTLE CHILDREN TO COME UNTO ME...FOR OF SUCH IS THE KINGDOM OF GOD." MK. 10:14

## Earn a Trip to South Africa



Comrades Ultra Marathon

The South African Children's Project offers exciting ways to earn a trip to *Indawo Yethemba* Children's Village in South Africa while raising funds for the project. If you are a marathon runner or a long-distance cyclist, you can earn a round-trip ticket to visit the Graham family and the grannies and children

at their children's village in Ashburton. If you are a runner, the Comrades Ultra Marathon takes place annually in June. It is an 89-kilometer (56-miles) race from Durban to Pietermaritzburg. The race route includes our children's village. It has been several years since we hosting a runner and would love to host other runners soon. Visit [www.comrades.com](http://www.comrades.com) for more information. If you are a cyclist, the Amashova Durban Classic takes place in October. It is a 106-kilometer (66 miles) race from Pietermaritzburg to Durban. For more information about the race, visit [www.shova.co.za](http://www.shova.co.za). Basically, the CRP's board of directors has agreed to reimburse a round-trip economy ticket for each \$5,000 raised for its children's projects in South Africa. Participants are encouraged to plan at least nine days for their trip, which usually includes five to six days at CRP's *Indawo Yethemba* Children's, located in

Ashburton and three days on safari in the world-famous Kruger National Park ([www.sanparks.org](http://www.sanparks.org)). If you would like more information about earning a trip to participate in one of these events, please contact Dr. Graham at [dr.bobgraham@gmail.com](mailto:dr.bobgraham@gmail.com).



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