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## Indawo Yethemba Children's Village

#### Update



Indawo Yethemba Children's Village is a place like no other in South Africa. All the other children projects, orphanages, and homes are institutions, where staff are paid to care for abandoned and orphaned children. Though many of these organizations have many good people working for them, they are still institutions. Indawo Yethemba,

on the other hand, is a place where children are placed with foster moms, who are the legal guardians of the children. Thus, these children are currently living in a family situation, where their Christian caregiver volunteers her life for lives of children who have no biologically related individual who can provide for them. While many of the

non-profit organizations in South Africa are facing financial crises (see "Funding Crisis") because they rely on major funding from the government (department of social development), the South African Children's Project continues to operate without these financial restraints because its funding comes from its partnering churches, businesses and friends.

## **Funding Crisis**



The DA (Democratic Alliance) is concerned by reports that many KZN Non Government Organizations, especially those caring for women,

children and the elderly have had their budgets
slashed by as much as
30%, wiping out the 6%
tariff increase that both
NGOs and the DA fought
for in 2015. The move
comes despite assurances
in their budget speeches
by both the KZN MECs for
Finance and Social
Development that tariffs
would not be reduced.
While rumors of budget
cuts have been circulating

#### Rishigen Viranna

for some time, the DA has now confirmation following an email from Child Welfare in Margate which calls for our help as it faces closure due to a funding crisis. This service office currently has 3 993 cases, supervises 991 children in foster placements and has had a permanent caseload of 1 047 over the last year. In short, it provides a vital service (continued, see "NGOs")

Dear Friends,

Though a number of great charities exist, we like to think that ours is one of the most rewarding because donations go directly to benefit *Indawo Yethemba* 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. I wish all

charities could operate this way;

however, I know that many cannot. I

am glad that we continue to operate in

a manner to best benefit our children.

Gazi Abantwana Izinyawo,

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# CRP'S SPRING/SUMMER FUNDRAISING DRIVE

## The CRP Leadership Team All Directors Are Volunteers



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## Child Spotlight "Ayanda"

Imagine being rapped and left to die in an open field at eighteen months old – yes, rape of infants in Africa happens frequently. Now, imagine the slim possibility of being found. This story is how the life of Ayanda Hlangwana begins, but not how it will end because God intervened. Conducting a routine flight over this area, police helicopters' pilots spotted and rescued her.



She now lives at Indawo Yethemba. She has a good life and is succeeding academically as the project's first high-school student. She dreams of becoming a doctor. She is well on her way.

## NGOs (continued from page 1)

to the South Coast. NGOs perform essential services such as protecting vulnerable members of society from abuse, providing the sick with care and feeding the hungry. This is most significant in areas where government services have failed. Child Welfare is one of the most hard-hit NGOs in KZN despite providing foster care services, social worker services and working hard to protects citizens from any form of abuse. Even before these latest cuts, NGOs were under immense financial

pressure to keep their doors open and continue to provide vital services to vulnerable communities. As a result of the further reduction in tariffs, many NGOs will have to reduce their services further or close permanently. NGO tariff cuts are yet another sign of an uncaring ANC government - a government that is willing to spend billions on luxuries and overlook blatant corruption while the most defenseless citizens of our province continue to be ignored. For more information, visit www.politicsweb.co.za.

## **Benjamin Generation Opens**



Though Adrian and Gin
Barnard have faced many
hardships starting our sister
children's project, we are
happy to report that they
now have their first
abandoned baby for their
place of safety. For more
information about this
wonderful project visit:
www.benjamingeneration.org

#### PLANNING AN AFRICAN TRIP?

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



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Nowhere else in the world can one find so much beauty and opportunity to serve than at *Indawo* Yethemba Children's Village in South Africa. 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 usually spend the first part of their trip working in

and around the village. Renovation and repairs are a constant need. Afternoons are spent helping children with their homework and 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 on church-related items, such as children and youth camps. The last part of the trip is generally spent seeing some of the most beautiful places in the world.



Victoria Falls



African Safari Imagine a sunrise breakfast in the African bush while seeing some of God's most wonderful creations or an elephant crossing while traveling across Botswana. Perhaps, you have dreamed of walking in the rain forests in the midst of Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe or hiking the mountains of Cape Point while searching for breaching whales. These experiences can be enjoyed while benefiting the children's villages of the CRP.

Contact dr.bobgraham@gmail.com.

STANDARD
Duration: 8-12 Days
Travellers: 6 - 25
Includes Kruger National Park
Cost: \$700

EXPERIENCE SOUTH AFRICA

Duration: 10 – 12 Days Travellers: 6 – 10 Includes Kruger National Park and Cape Town Cost: \$1200

## EXPERENCE SOUTHERN AFRICAN

Duration: 12 – 14 Days
Travellers: 6 – 10
Includes Chobe (Botswana),
Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe),
Kruger National Park and
Cape Town (South Africa)
Cost: \$3,000

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

## **Current Financial Needs**



Transportation Need

As *Indawo Yethemba* Children's Village expands, transportation becomes an issue. Currently, village can transport 46 people; however, adding a new minibus

will bring the total to 69. This new bus should meet the project's transportation needs for the foreseeable future. New bus was purchased in December for \$30,000. We have received a little over \$10,000 to offset expense. If you can help, contact dr.bobgraham@gmail.com if you are able to help with some or all costs. Remember that all gifts to the CRP are tax deductible (EIN 20-215709).

#### Other Needs

Home Sponsor	\$35,000
Insurance	\$7.000
Irrigation	\$4,000
*Operating Expense	\$6,000
School Fees (2017)	\$14,000
School Supplies (2017)	\$1,000
School Uniforms (2017)	\$3,000
Tile Work for Dorms:	\$4000
Septic Repair	\$1000
* Monthly estimate includes food	

transportation and utilities

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## Supporting Indawo Yethemba (Place of Hope)

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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



The South African Children's Project offers an exciting way 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 on Sunday June 4, 2017. It is an 89-kilometer (56-miles) race from Durban to Pietermaritzburg. The race route includes our children's village. Recently, Josh Johnson and Kyle Winchell earned medals in this year's race while raising nearly \$10,000. Visit www.comrades.com for more information. If you are a cyclist, the Amashova Durban Classic takes place in October 2017. It is a

106-kilometer (66 miles) race from Pietermaritzburg to Durban. For more information about the race, visit www.shova.co.za. Basically, the CRP's board of directors have 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 Indawo Yethemba Children's Village, located in Ashburton and three days on safari in the world famous Kruger National Park (www.sanparks.org). If you would like more information about this wonderful opportunity, please contact Dr. Graham at dr.bobgraham@gmail.com.