FALL/WINTER UPDATE



CHILDREN'S RESILIENCY PROJECT

Fall/Winter 2021

Indawo Yethemba Children's Village

Though country is slowly moving back to normal, effects of covid are still present. For example, our children are still not attending school regularly; however, when they are not attending formal schooling, they spend their mornings in our homework room completing work-related projects. Hopefully, by the end of the year, things will return to what can be called the "new normal" - whatever that normal may be. In the meantime, we added an additional four kids to

our village family. After two kids were removed and returned to extended family, it is amazing that project had four available spots for two boys and two girls. Child welfare contacted Bob and Joanna asking if spaces were available for two boys and two girls - amazing. The current kids are growing quickly and more and more will be graduating from high school within the next few years. Hopefully, they will all attend some sort of post-secondary schooling.



Our New Kids

Update

Dear Friends,

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.

Ukugeza Izinyawo Ezingane, Bob

Corruption: South Africa's Major Problem



Dr. Desmond Tutu once stated that the most devasting thing in Africa is not AIDS, pestilence or poverty; on the contrary, it was corruption. Even during the pandemic, four significant scandals with well over R1-billion in misspending by opportunists who have used Covid-19 pandemic to procure funding from the government for socalled Covid relief. In fact, since the birth of its new nation, thirty-two major corruption scandals have been documented. Perceptions of those government officials who commit crimes are increasingly negative with more than 71% of South Africans believing that these (continued see "CORRUPTION" p.2).

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CRP'S FALL/WINTER FUNDRAISING DRIVE

The CRP Leadership Team All Directors Are Volunteers



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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 \$18,000 annually. This number is expected to increase as children reach post secondary levels.
Consider donating by visiting www.sacrp.org

CORRUPTION (continued)

individuals go unpunished. Until now, the compromised criminal justice system put the brakes on justice, creating a climate of impunity. For example, the spending on Nkandla (Former President Zuma spent an estimated \$23 million US dollars to upgrade his personal home) happened in 2009, and architect Makhanya appeared before SIU

Tribunal in 2021 – 12 years later. Former President Zuma is still avoiding charges related to other corruption issues, including an arms deal, which date back to 1999. None of the arms deal companies have been prosecuted. It is unlikely that he will ever serve time for these scandals along with so many others. For more details:

www.afrobarometer.org



Christmas for Caregivers

Donate at https://donate.bbfimissions.com. Select Missionary Robert Graham (#1053) and designate funds to foster moms.

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 spends 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 fas 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.

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.

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 \$7,972 per month to reach its current

yearly operating expense of \$88,366. Caregivers do receive \$2,400 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

CRP'S BASIC OPERATING COSTS

Expense	Monthly	Yearly	Once Off
Caregivers' Supplement	\$600	\$7,200	
Food	\$2,416	\$29,000	
Insurance	\$542	\$6,500	
Maintenance	\$583	\$7,000	
Renovations	\$500	\$6,000	
Education	\$1,500	\$18,000	
Transportation	\$666	\$8,000	
Utilities	\$833	\$10,000	
Vehicle Maintenance	\$333	\$4,000	
Activity Center			\$4,000
Home Sponsorship			\$35,000
Irrigation			\$2,000

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

Supporting Indawo Yethemba (Place of Hope)

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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 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. 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). If you would like more information about earning a trip to participate in one of these events, please contact Dr. Graham at dr.bobaraham@amail.com.



Amashova Durban Classic