

CRP'S SPRING/SUMMER FUNDRAISING DRIVE



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Indawo Yethemba Children's Village

Update



During the past several months, the project continues to grow, both with children and houses. It has added two houses, renovated another and refurbished its swimming pool. In addition to the expansion and improvement, the children's village has added a new caregiver, Aunt Nomusa, who now has five children. We are thankful that many of you have been able to donate. The Children's Resiliency

Project has spent nearly \$130,000 on these improvements. People living within the Ashburton community have been especially proud of the work that has been taking place. In addition to these improvements, our sister children's village (www.benjaminigeneration.org) should be opening its doors to children soon. We have been hosting two prospective caregivers during the last

several weeks. Both of these ladies have been assisting our caregivers as volunteers. Both Adrian and his wife Ginny have been working diligently to ensure that all legal paperwork has been filed.



Pool Renovation Completed

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,

Bob



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Violence Against Children in South Africa

The Medical Research Council



Common Myth in South Africa

In 2009, 1018 children (three per day) were murdered. 45% of children had been murdered through

instances of child abuse and child neglect, with mothers being the worst perpetrators, and 74% of children killed in these circumstances were under five years old. The prevalence of deaths from fatal child abuse was greater in girl children, and rape homicides probably accounted for 10% of children killed. Between

40% to 50% reported to SAPS (South African Police Services) involved children. Risk factors associated with this problem included greater likelihood of teen pregnancy, infections, and victims starting to engage in risky behavior. In its summary, the council explained that violence could take the form of child (continued see "Violence" p. 2)

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Child Spotlight "Nomazizi"

Nomazizi arrived at *Indawo Yethemba* Children's Village with her stepsister, Lucia. After her mother abandoned her, she lived with her father until he passed away. After her father died, she lived with Lucia in a child-headed household, where she was sexually assaulted and neglected. Her teachers managed to provide some food and clothing until community leaders



reported the condition of the two children to child welfare. A social worker then placed her at *Indawo Yethemba*, where she now lives with Granny Mayvis in a happy, safe home. She is doing well in school where she is a member of Girl Guides.

Violence (continued from page 1)

murders or homicide, sexual exploitation and trafficking, harmful traditional and cultural practices, child labor, bullying and indirect violence, perpetrated in the home, school and community and at institutional levels, by

adults and other children. Some of the events, such as infanticide or abandonment generally occurred before the age of one, but others, such as neglect and sexual abuse spanned the full seventeen years of childhood.



Sexual, racial, gender violence and other forms of discrimination and race in a culture cannot be eliminated without changing culture. - Charlotte Bunch

PLANNING A MISSIONS TRIP?

Indawo Yethemba Children's Village is a Perfect Destination



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 in the African bush on safari. Though no group actually visits the project to vacation, the Grahams enjoy taking teams to either Kruger National or Hluhluwe/Imfolozi Parks to enjoy some of God's most creative handiwork. Nothing gets a person's

heart pumping like an Elephant or Lion crossing. Also, the tranquility of an African sunrise or sunset can be awe-inspiring. Total cost for airline tickets, food, transportation and lodging is generally between \$1800 and \$2000 depending on time and duration of travel. Consider bringing a team soon.



Just in case people have been sidetracked by the media's coverage of Ebola in West Africa, **AIDS** is still a persistent killer of people throughout the continent, especially in KwaZulu Natal, South Africa.

Current Financial Needs



Transportation Need

As Indawo Yethemba Children's Village expands, transportation becomes an issue. Currently, village can transport

46 passengers using 3 vehicles. 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 will cost between \$35,000 - \$40,000 depending on current exchange rates and availability. Contact Dr. Graham at sacrp.bg@juno.com if you are able to help with some or all costs.

Other Needs

Home Furnishings	\$5,000
Home Sponsorship	\$35,000
Insurance	\$7,000
Irrigation	\$4,000
*Operating Expense	\$6,000
School Fees (2016)	\$12,000
School Supplies (2016)	\$1,000
School Uniforms (2016)	\$3,000

* Monthly estimate includes food, transportation and utilities

HIV DOES NOT MAKE PEOPLE DANGEROUS TO KNOW, SO YOU CAN SHAKE THEIR HANDS AND GIVE THEM A HUG: HEAVEN KNOWS THEY NEED IT.

- PRINCESS DIANA

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Indawo Yethemba's New Additions



Nomusa with Her New Family

The Children's Resiliency Project knows that it is impossible to take care of a child for a few dollars a month. In fact, it can be somewhat expensive to raise other

people's children. Simply consider the expense involved in raising your own children. Nonetheless, it can be done. Currently, the South African government provides about \$80 per

Sponsors Needed

per month for each child who is fostered at the village. This amount is enough to cover only the basic food expense for the child. The CRP then covers the remaining expenses for each child, including housing, schooling and transportation. This amount ranges between \$70 to \$100, depending on whether the child attends school. As the village grows, more sponsors are needed to help offset these expenses. Read about each of the children living at Indawo Yethemba at www.sacrp.org and consider being a part of their lives as the CRP continues to increase the quality of life for all its abandoned and orphaned kids.

Earn a Trip to South Africa

Attention

Cyclists & Runners
You can earn a trip of a lifetime to visit Indawo Yethemba Children's Village. The CRP will reimburse cost of an economy roundtrip airfare for participants in the annual June Comrades Race (www.comrades.com), or the October Amashova (www.shova.co.za). Contact Bob Graham at sacrp.bg@juno.com.