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Indawo Yethemba Children's Village

Update



Our Wonderful Team at Indawo Yethemba

Hardship and difficulty are the two dominant words to describe what life has been at the children's village during the pandemic. Compounding these factors is the fact that Bob and Joanna are

still in the U.S. until the middle of May. Though Bob was in South Africa during the second half of 2020, he returned home in January to ensure that he was able to attend his son's graduation. It was also a part of God's

providential care that ensured he was also stateside at the passing of his brother Ryan. Meanwhile, the caregivers were handling most of the hardships – some of which were caused simply by not having the kids be able to leave the village for large amounts of time – lack of school time and church attendance hampered social and spiritual lives of both caregivers and children; thus fighting and bickering among everyone living at the village increased. Continue to pray for wisdom and guidance for all.

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



Covid-19 Effects on Education

The Conversion



When the pandemic rapidly spread across the globe, closing schools seemed the responsible thing to do; however, evidence from US schools

and crèches that remained opened during lockdown for children of essential workers showed that infection rates of such children and

teachers were not significantly higher than normal. Even pediatrics associations agree that transmission of virus by young children is uncommon. The costs of school closures have been devastating. Even before lockdown, 2.5 million children experienced hunger and almost a third who died were malnourished.
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CRP'S SPRING/SUMMER FUNDRAISING DRIVE

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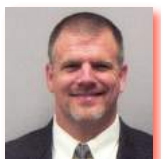
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Jeff Riber Educational Fund

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

COVID (continued)

With parents being unemployed and children no longer receiving free school meals, starvation increased – not to mention increases in substance abuse, depression, fear, loneliness, domestic violence and child abuse. Financial stress has raised levels of exhaustion, depression

and anxiety. Also, it seems impossible that teachers will be able to complete curriculum, leaving huge gaps in education. Poorer learners will be least able to catch up. These effects will have lasting implications, even stretching into the labor market and affecting lifetime earnings. For more information visit: www.theconversion.com.



As some of our kids are preparing for graduation, a few have found their way into internships!

PLANNING AN AFRICAN 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. 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

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



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

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: \$3,000

*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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Online Donations at 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 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.bobgraham@gmail.com.



Amashova Durban Classic