



Vukukhanye

Community Upliftment Initiatives

Annual Report 2019/20

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Vision & Mission

The support and development of orphans and vulnerable children, youth and vulnerable families particularly in Chesterville, through the following services...

- A Children's Foster Home (est. 2001) providing holistic short and long-term residential care to orphans and vulnerable children. Seventy-eight children have been cared for to date.
- Support and development of a preschool ('The Vukukhanye Educare Centre', est. 2012) to provide quality preschool education and care to approximately 50 children from Chesterville.
- A Bursary Project (est. 2008) offering long-term renewable school and tertiary bursaries to children from Chesterville schools (there are 15 bursars at present, 11 have graduated).
- Health and Welfare support services in Chesterville including the identification and support of vulnerable children and families through home-visits, counselling, assistance with school needs, infant formula, food and household consumables; and other supportive services to Chesterville community members in partnership with local NGOs and community-based organisations.
- Material & other support to Chesterville preschools, schools and community-based organisations.

Registration Status

Vukukhanye is registered with the Department of Social Development as a Non-Profit Organisation (017-325 NPO), and with the South African Revenue Service (SARS) as a Section 18A Public Benefit Organisation (PBO number: 130002073). Income Tax Number: 9809641146.

B-BBEE Status

Vukukhanye is an "Exempt Micro Enterprise" as defined in the Amended General Codes: Gazette No. 36928 (Specialised) of the Broad-Based BEE Act.

Vukukhanye's latest EME Affidavit can be downloaded from <https://vukukhanye.org/site/eme>

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Audited Annual Financial Statements for year-ended 28 February 2020

1. GOVERNANCE & ADMINISTRATION

1.1 Board of Management

Vukukhanye’s Board of Management is responsible for governance and strategic direction, and ensures that Vukukhanye operates in accordance with its’ Constitution (www.vukukhanye.org), as approved by the Department of Social Development and South African Revenue Service.

Board members 2019/20	
1. Brad Leech	Chairman & Treasurer
2. Michael van der Meulen	Deputy-Chairman
3. Sandy Watt	Member
4. Phumlani Ntanzu	Member
5. Tim Maxwell	Member
6. Anthony van der Meulen	CEO, Secretary

A few amendments were made to Vukukhanye’s Constitution in order to comply with updated guidelines from the Tax Exemption Unit of SARS and The Department of Social Development. The amendments were to Clauses 4 (*Income*) and 10 (*Winding Up*) and are included in Vukukhanye’s latest Constitution (as adopted 19 June 2019) which is available at www.vukukhanye.org.

1.2 Registration Status

Vukukhanye is a Non-Profit Organisation (017-325 NPO) registered with the Department of Social Development and a Public Benefit Organisation (130002073) registered with SARS in terms of Section 18A of the Income Tax Act.

Vukukhanye is an “Exempt Micro Enterprise” as defined in the Amended General Codes: Gazette No. 36928 (Specialised) of the Broad-Based BEE Act. Vukukhanye’s latest BBBEE Affidavit can be downloaded from <https://vukukhanye.org/site/eme>. All donations to Vukukhanye are subject to income tax exemption in terms of Section 18A of the Income Tax Act (RSA), and donations (up to 1% of net profit after tax) qualify as Socio-Economic Development contributions.

1.3 Accounting & Auditing

Financial records are submitted quarterly to Vukukhanye’s accounting officer (Strategic Business Support), who prepare Annual Financial Statements, as well as generating the Section 18A donation receipts which Vukukhanye provides to donors. Vukukhanye is audited annually by Baker Tilly Morrison Murray (Chartered Accountants). Vukukhanye’s audited Annual Financial Statements for the year-ended 28 February 2020 are included after page 15, can be downloaded from www.vukukhanye.org/site/annualreports and are available on request.

1.4 Staff

Vukukhanye employed 11 staff members during the 2019/20 period...

Management

- Anthony van der Meulen - Chief Executive Officer
- Kate van der Meulen - Administrator & Foster Home Manager

Children's Foster Home

- Tryphina Mhlanzi - Foster Mother
- Maureen Ngema - Domestic Worker & Respite Carer
- Nicholas Nala - Gardener

Welfare & OVC Support

- Makhosi Khamanga - Community Worker/Counsellor

Vukukhanye Educare Centre

- Dineo Seroke - Supervisor /Teacher
- Winnie Maphumulo - Supervisor/Teacher
- Lucia Mdolomba (Assistant)
- Sibonisile Msindo - Teacher
- Maria Mohoto - Cook & Cleaner
- Julius Letchi (Groundsman)



Tribute to Tryphina Mhlanzi (Mam Njazi)

The very sad passing of Tryphina in November 2019 was a devastating loss for her children, family and friends. Tryphina worked with Vukukhanye for more than 10 years - we will treasure many wonderful memories of this special lady. She made an indelible impact on us all and her legacy lives on in the children she so selflessly cared for.

All staff members are registered with SARS for UIF and PAYE (where appropriate) and Vukukhanye complies with the Department of Labours' 'Return of Earnings' requirements (*Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act 130 of 1993*). The payroll & Income Tax Returns are managed by Baker Tilly Morrison Murray.

1.6 Volunteers & Community Partners

Vukukhanye's ability to play a role in community-based support in Chesterville and Cato Manor depends on our cooperation with local partners such as 'The Chesterville Residents' Association', The Chesterville Health Clinic, Ikhamva Youth, Ngilonde (feeding scheme), Muthande Society for the Aged, The Rotary Club of Westville, Mhlinge Society for the Aged, Chesterville Association for the Physically Disabled, Child Welfare Durban and District, The Cato Manor Crèche Network, Communities, Children & Responsible Care, Hope Worldwide, primary schools (uKukhanya Kwelanga Junior Primary, Nsimbini Primary, HP Ngwenya Primary), secondary Schools (Chesterville and Umkhumbane Secondary Schools), a number of crèches and churches.

Suncoast staff distributing blankets on Mandela Day



Volunteers are critical to the operation of all projects and assist with tasks such as transport, collection of donations, medical supervision and care, homework and school support, repairs and maintenance, counselling, entertainment, child-minding, corporate or church 'work-parties', housework help, outings for the children and the provision of resources.

2. PROJECTS

2.1 Children's Foster Home

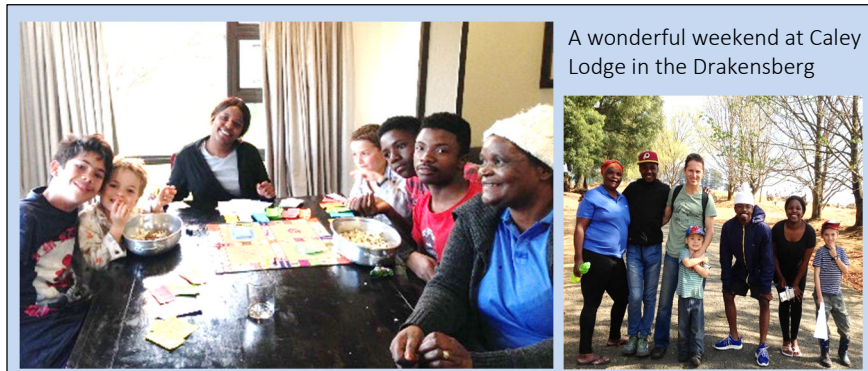
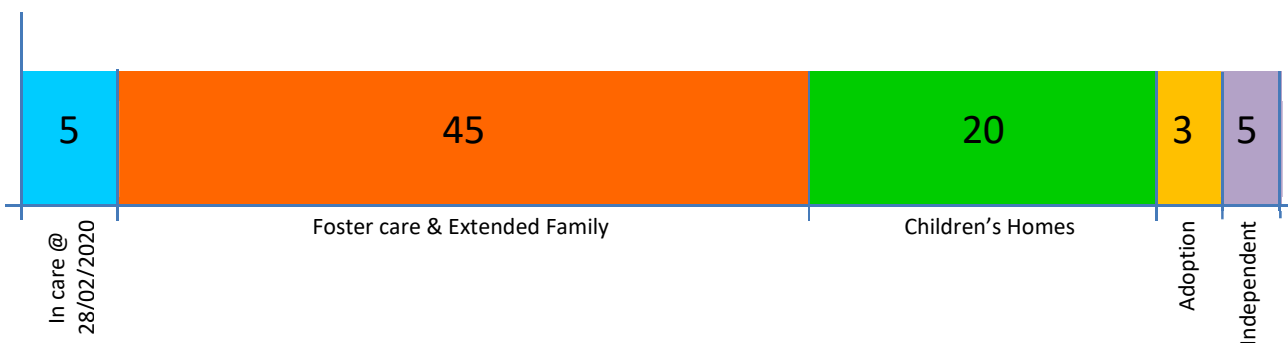
Overview

This Home in Berea West, Westville, was established in 2001 to provide a source of short or long-term care for orphans and vulnerable children. Our aim is to provide the children with a loving, stable home environment where they feel secure; and to guide their emotional and educational development as needed. Contact with extended family is supported and when possible, children are reintegrated with their family or placed with adoptive or foster parents. However, in some cases long-term placement of children at the Home occurs. The children are cared for by a Foster-mother, Tryphina, who receives assistance with domestic work and respite care from Maureen. The children are regularly assisted with homework by volunteers. After the very sad passing of Tryphina in November 2019, Nomakaya (who is well known to Vukukhanye and the children) assumed responsibility for caring for the children.

Children cared for 2001-2020

This Home has provided short and long-term care to 78 children since 2001, with five children aged 13-20 living at the Home at the end of February 2020. During the course of the 2019/20 period, Mloni (Grade 10) was transitioned to the care of his mother, after living at the Foster home for a number of years. Mloni was provided with support with his school transfer process and fees for 2020.

Destination of children 2001-2020 (78)



Children in care 2019/20 (grades and ages as in 2020)

- Mxolisi** - 15 years old, Westridge LSEN Prevocational School.
- Joey** - 14 years old Grade 7, Berea West Senior Primary School.
- Mlondi** - 16 years old, Grade 10, Phambili Secondary School.
- Dean** - 17 years old, Grade 12, Burnwood Secondary School.
- Yaya** - 17 years old, Grade 12, Burnwood Secondary School.
- Tracy** - 20 years old, 2nd Year Teacher Training (Edgewood)



Mxolisi with a certificate after attending the 'Boys to Men' leadership camp arranged by CAST

The mortgage bond on the property, which has been paid monthly since 2001, was settled in December 2019. Vukukhanye is now officially the owner of this property. Thank you very much to all our volunteers, local schools, preschools, churches, organisations and companies for your generous and ongoing support, which has made it possible to care for these very precious children.

2.2. Early Childhood Development



2.2.1 The Vukukhanye Educare Centre

This educare centre has been operating in Chesterville for the last 9 years. The school maintains an enrolment of approximately 42 children, divided into 3 age-groups (Red: 1-2 years, Yellow: 2-3 years, Green: 4-5 years). The children enjoy a full-day of in and out-door activities as well as breakfast, a mid-morning snack and lunch daily. The hours of operation are 7:30am to 3:00pm daily, with the formal programme between 8:00am and 1:00pm. All three teachers have now achieved accredited Early Childhood Development qualifications; either in Level 4 or 5. Building on their supplementary 2019 ECD training (Physical Development, Sensory play, Resource Mobilisation, Financial Management) facilitated by Save the Children and the National Development Agency, two staff attended a 3-day computer training course for ECD practitioners in October. The educare centre also benefits from participating in the Cato Manor Preschool Forum, which provides training and support from a central resource centre at Inkanyezi Crèche and has been assisted by 'Communities, Children & Responsible Care'.



The new covered outdoor play area, thanks to The Andrew Mentis Foundation and Nomads; who also sponsored a new gas fridge.



GRADUATION 2019!

Parents and family were invited to celebrate their children's achievements; including the 'graduation' of 16 children progressing to Grade R at other schools in 2020.



Upgrades during 2019 included a sand-pit, roof waterproofing, an undercover outdoor area and improved security (burglar bars and gates throughout).

Key Truck & Car arranged for a visit from a company (The Menagerie) which teaches children about animals by bringing animals to the school for the children to interact with. This was a tremendous learning experience for the children, who had the opportunity to see, touch and learn about a variety of animals; many of which they would never have seen before e.g. owls, bats, snakes, lambs, lizards, geckos and rabbits.



'The Menagerie' at the Vukukhanye Educare Centre.



Drama Dynamics performed a play for the children; to which children from the nearby Shekinah Crèche were also invited.

Fun with The Key Foundation



2.2.2 Chesterville preschool and school support

Vukukhanye has continued to facilitate support where possible for preschools and schools in the Chesterville area...

School stationery for H.P. Ngwenya Primary School, Grade 1

In partnership with Suncoast and H.P. Ngwenya Primary School, approximately half of the stationery needs of all 100 Grade 1 learners at HP Ngwenya Primry School were provided. The stationery was distributed on the second day of the 1st school term.



Soft toys for Ikusasaletu Day Care Centre in Chesterville



Suncoast Easter party, Easter-egg hunt and gift-packs for the children at Inami Preschool in Cato Manor

2.3 Bursary Project

2.3.1 Background, Bursars & Graduates

Building on our long-standing relationship with Chesterville Secondary School, Vukukhanye launched a Bursary Project at this school in 2008 - all Grade 12 learners were invited to apply, two candidates were selected and their tertiary studies sponsored from 2009. A long-term partnership with Suncoast from 2009 made expansion and the ongoing operation of the bursary project possible, to the extent that we have to date supported 22 bursars, twelve of whom have graduated. Bursaries include fees, text books, stationery and uniforms and are long-term; our goal being to work with the bursar and their family until they achieve the tertiary qualification of their choice. Guidance, mentorship and support is provided to help make wise choices and support the bursar through challenges along the way.

The list of bursars and graduates is on the page below. In summary; there are presently 5 bursars at school and 5 busy with tertiary study or in-service training. One bursar, Nothando completed her 3-year '*B.Com Supply Chain Management*' course at the end of 2019, passing all the modules required to achieve the necessary 360 credits. Siphwo and Nolwazi successfully completed the theory components of their courses and are seeking in-service training placements. Nolwazi did exceptionally well, receiving an award for 'the best student' in her college for 2019!

BURSARS 2008-2020 (22)

	NAME	Year selected/ Grade	SCHOOL / INSTITUTION	GRADE / LEVEL (2020)
School Bursars (5)				
1	Spesihle Khoza	2013/1	Umkhumbane Secondary	Grade 8
2	Mbali Mfeka	2012/1	Chesterville Secondary	Grade 9
3	Nobuhle Ngubane	2011/1	Umkhumbane Secondary	Grade 10
4	Asanda Sibisi	2010/1	Umkhumbane Secondary	Grade 10
5	Bhekisiza Mthiyane	2013/5	Umkhumbane Secondary	Grade 11
Tertiary Bursars (5)				
6	Sofia Mavundla	2011/5	Skyy Aviation	1st year (1 year course)
7	Neliswa Nkambule	2013/8	Berea Technical College	2 nd year - N4 Travel & Tourism
8	Nontsikelelo Raphoka	2010/5	Central Technical College	3 rd year - Nat. Diploma Chem. Eng
9	Siphiwo Fezeka Sithole	2009/5	Springfield College (FET)	In-service - Human Resources Man (N6)
10	Nolwazi Shandu	2011/8	Berea Technical College	In-service - Public Management (N6)
Graduates (12)				
1	Nothando Ngcobo	2012/8	Regent Business College	Supply Chain Management
2	Thabiso Ngcobo	2009/8	Boston College	Nat. Diploma Fin. Accounting
3	Siyanda Sindane	2013/12	UKZN	B.Com Accounting
4	Thembinkosi Mdundge	2009/5	2018 (KZN School of Welding)	Eng., Fabrication & Boiler-making
5	Slindile Nyerende	2009/8	2018 (UKZN, Edgewood)	B.Soc.Sci & Post-Graduate Cert. Education
6	Ntobeko Magubane	2012/12	2017 Honours (UKZN)	B.Com Economics, Honours
7	Z'busiso Makhanya	2011/12	2016 (PC Training College)	B. Com.
8	Sbonelo Nyongwana	2011/12	2014 / DUT	Civil Engineering
9	Thobeka Radebe	2010/12	2013 (Netcare)	Nursing
10	Tsepo Mchunu	2009/12	2014 / DUT	Diploma in Marketing Management
11	Thabile Gumede	2009/12	2015 (Nurs & Prim. H-Care)	Nursing
12	Philile Mafu	2013/12	2015 (UKZN)	BSC. Biological Sciences (Honours)

2.4 Community welfare & support of vulnerable children

The aim of the Welfare Support Project is to contribute to social welfare service delivery in the greater Chesterville area of Cato Manor, by identifying and supporting vulnerable children and vulnerable families. Vukukhanye's community worker, Makhosi Khamanga, conducts home visits and follows up on needs referred by community members. Makhosi assists with a weekly support group for HIV positive mothers and has gradually built on her skills through ongoing training in counselling, home-based care and assisting children's adherence to ARV therapy. As from 2016 the responsibilities of the supervisor and three teachers at the Vukukhanye Educare Centre were expanded to include identifying and supporting vulnerable children within Chesterville, as well as conducting TB screening on the children attending the Vukukhanye Educare Centre.

Support of orphans and vulnerable children in Chesterville

Partnership with The Starfish Greathearts Foundation enabled Vukukhanye to continue with the OVC Programme in 2019/20, specifically targeting children 0-18 years old. This programme includes children living in Chesterville as well as those enrolled at the Vukukhanye Educare Centre (where children also receive breakfast and lunch daily). Approximately 150 children are assisted on a monthly basis. Support services include counselling, emergency or monthly assistance with food, infant formula, toiletries (including sanitary pads) & household consumables, school needs and follow-up on cases of abuse and poverty, accessing official documentation and grants, as well as referrals to other organisations. In addition to our bursars, Vukukhanye was able to help 20 vulnerable children with uniforms, stationery and school fees towards their 2020 needs, thanks to funding from Starfish.



Food-parcel distribution

The staff of the Vukukhanye Educare Centre all live in Chesterville and work closely with the parents and local community in the care of the children enrolled, as well as children who may be vulnerable and not attending preschools. Below is such a story, as told by one of the educare centre teachers...

"Earlier this month, on my way to work I passed 3 children (aged 3, 4 and 5 years). I talked to them as it seemed that they were not going to school They said they were going home. I asked who was at home and they said their brother, but he was going to be leaving for school, so they would be all alone at home. I spoke to my colleagues and one of them was aware of the family. We went to find the home. When we got there we found the mother of the children and found their living conditions to be terrible. I asked the mother why her children were not at school. She said that while she was pregnant she never went to a doctor or hospital and gave birth to the children at home. So they don't have Road to Health cards or birth certificates. We advised her to go to the police station to make an affidavit and then go to the clinic to get RTH cards and then to Home Affairs to arrange birth certificates. I also offered her children space at a preschool. She was so happy and grateful for what we have done for her children and she promised to take my advice. We will follow up with her and assist as needed. The children have been attending the Vukukhanye Educare Centre since the 9th of September 2019."



In December 2019, Vukukhanye partnered with Child Welfare Durban and District and a local business to treat 24 vulnerable children from 4 Foster Homes to a Christmas party. A significant quantity of non-perishable foods was provided to each Foster Home.



Christmas gift-packs for elderly clients of the Mhlangeni Society for the Aged, Chesterville

Suncoast continued to support community projects in Chesterville through regular CUP (“Community Upliftment Project”) visits and other interventions, such as the Peppa-Pig outing mentioned below... These visits have been a tremendous benefit to those concerned and are a great encouragement to the community.



Children from Chesterville treated to pizza and a live Peppa Pig Show at Suncoast

‘Mandela Day’ Blanket Drive (July 2019)

Suncoast staff distributed hundreds of blankets to support the vulnerable in various areas of Cato Manor



3. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3.1 Annual Financial Statements (for year-ended 29 February 2020)

The audited Annual Financial Statements can be downloaded from www.vukukhanye.org/site/annualreports and are available on request from admin@vukukhanye.org.

4. DONORS & VOLUNTEERS

4.1 Financial Donors

Companies:

Container World, Dwell Interior Architects, FMI, Frontline Underwriting Managers, Laser Junction, Nedbank Ltd, Tsogo Sun.

Trusts /Schools /Churches/other NGOS:

3C Church, Paw Paw Foundation, St Martin-in-the-Fields Church, Starfish Greathearts Foundation, The GMA Foundation, Westville Rotary Club.

Individuals:

Simon & Sue Barff, Louise Bohlken, Caroline Clark, Lauren Coombe, Malcolm & Janice Coombs, Cathy Dedman, Andrea Engel, Warene Fietze, David Hardy, Bruce & Phillippa Hurley, Phanny Kiepiela, Victoria Koekemoer, Trish Leech, Farzaana Mahomed, Sharon Majola, A Masando, Sheryl May, Qiniso Mbatha, Melaika, Jason Mellow, Warren Mellow, Belinda Mills, N Msubo, CL Nair, Nompilo Nsele, Thobeka Radebe, Sandeep Singh, Brigitte Smith, Sharon Stent, Bev Stewart, Tamara Vernon, Shayne & Tara Wadsworth, Andrew Watt, Peter Watt, John Wilkie, Basil & Stella Wulfsohn.

4.2 In-Kind Donations & Volunteers

Companies:

ADT, Baker Tilly Morrison Murray, Compendium Educational Games, FMI, Gem Schoolwear, Golden Greek Foods, Highway Electrical, Isiqu Accountants, Klaus Fritsch Plumbing, Nedbank, Netwize, Playball, Powerhouse Clothing, RCL Group Services Ltd, RSM Durban, Sesalos, Strategic Business Support, Suncoast, Suncoast-staff, Key Motor Group (Pty) Ltd.

Trusts /Schools /Churches/other NGOS:

3C Church, Atholl Heights Primary School, Berea West Senior Primary, Beta Cell-St Martin-in-the-Fields Church, British Cultural & Heritage Society, Cygnet Pre-Primary School, Communities, Children & Responsible Care, Little Lambs, Di Maxwell Cell- St Martin-in-the-Fields Church, Nomads, Rotary Club of Westville, Saturn Pre-Primary, The Catholic Order of the Knights of Da Gama, The Do More Foundation, Women of Africa.

Individuals:

Alan & Sue Balding, Simon & Sue Barff, Dr. Steve Blanckenburg, Louise Bohlken, Elizabeth Campios, Debbie Cole, Warene Fietze, Sally Fouche, Lynne Harrison, Karen Natalie Kent, Makhosi Khamanga, Hayley Kuhn, Brad & Jane Leech, Mandla and Phumla, Winnie Maphumulo, Tim & Heather Maxwell, Tryphina Mhlanzi, Maria Mohoto, Gladys Mpambaniso, Sbonisile Msindo, Maureen Ngema, Phumlani Ntanz, Winston Owen, Ingrid Pieterse, Craig & Cheryl Roodt, Dineo Seroke, Jim & Suzanne Smith, Kajal Soni, Claire Stewart, Marion Theesen, Mike & Lindy van der Meulen, Jane van Rooyen, Peter & Sandy Watt, Jennifer Whyte.

Thank you very much for your support! (We apologise for any omissions)