



# Vukukhanye

Community Upliftment Initiatives

## ANNUAL REPORT 2011/12

- Orphans & Vulnerable Children
- Early Childhood Development
- Youth & Adult Education & Development
- Community Welfare Support

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## Vision

Through community partnership and leadership development to play a meaningful role in the holistic development of the community of Chesterville.

## Mission

The support and development of orphans and vulnerable children (OVCs) and vulnerable families, particularly in Chesterville, through the provision of the following:

- OVC & other welfare support services in order to support family & social cohesion
- Operation of a children's foster home for the holistic residential care of orphans and vulnerable children
- Support of Early Childhood Development, through the development & operation of a new preschool in Chesterville (staff training & quality care/education)
- Material & other support to Chesterville preschools and schools
- Provision of long-term renewable school and tertiary bursaries
- Empowering local entrepreneurs to own and manage a 'Sport For All Chesterville' social franchise.

## 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 Public Benefit Organisation (18/11/13/2073).

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## 1. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Thank you very much to all our partners for your generous support and for partnering with Vukukhanye as we continue to seek to make a difference in the lives of the vulnerable in our area of influence, now in our 12<sup>th</sup> year of operation. Vukukhanye's focus remains the continued operation of its children's foster home, as well as community support projects in Chesterville. These projects, which centre around education and the support of vulnerable children, are summarized in our mission statement on the 2<sup>nd</sup> page of this annual report.

The result of partnership with and contributions from many sources lead to the opening of a counseling and care centre, known as "The Jes Foord Community Care Centre", at the Chesterville clinic site. The Centre was opened on the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2011 and we are pleased with the role that it has played in supporting health and welfare service provision in Chesterville. Besides use by Vukukhanye staff, this centre is available for use by other health and welfare service providers as needed. While there is still some way to go to make it fully and optimally functional, I am encouraged by the progress that has been made, especially the good work being done to support vulnerable children and families. A further new project which started in the 2011/12 financial year was the Vukukhanye Educare Centre, which enrolled its first children from the 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2012.

Vukukhanye continued as a joint venture partner with Siphwe Qwabe as Franchisee of the Sport For All Chesterville social franchise, which in the year under review provided after-school sports coaching to children at the Chesterville Sports Ground and Chesterville Extension 1 Sports Ground and employed four coaches.

The Bursary Project, which started at the end of 2008 with the award of two bursaries to Grade 12 learners, has now grown to 16 bursars from three Chesterville schools, with four new bursaries being awarded each year. Our tertiary bursars are progressing well in the fields of Science, Civil Engineering, Marketing, Nursing and Accounting. It is a privilege to be able to help guide and support these bursars through their school and tertiary studies and Vukukhanye, along with donor and Chesterville school partners remains committed to these and future bursars.

Thank you very much to Vukukhanye's Board, staff and volunteers for your valuable contributions.

Yours sincerely,



**Anthony van der Meulen**  
(CEO)

## 2. GOVERNANCE & ADMINISTRATION

### 2.1 Vukukhanye's 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, as approved by the Department of Social Development and South African Revenue Service. Craig Coombe resigned as Chairman as of 31 December 2011. Vukukhanye is very grateful for Craig's five years' of service and commitment. A new member Lizzie Nachito was elected as Treasurer and Brad Leech took on the role of Chairman.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT	
March 2011-January 2012	
<b>Executive</b>	
1. Anthony van der Meulen	CEO
<b>Non-executive</b> (volunteers)	
2. Craig Coombe	Chairman
3. Nomcebo Mkhize	
4. Brad Leech	Treasurer
5. Zodwa Khumalo	
6. Michael van der Meulen	
7. Willa Fourie	

Changes effective from February 2012	
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2. Brad Leech	Chairman
3. Nomcebo Mkhize	
4. Lizzie Nachito	Treasurer
5. Zodwa Khumalo	
6. Michael van der Meulen	
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### 2.2 Registration Status

Vukukhanye is a Non-Profit Organisation (017-325 NPO) registered with the Department of Social Development and a Public Benefit Organisation (18/11/13/2073), registered with SARS in terms of Section 18a of the Income Tax Act.

Vukukhanye has been rated per the Dti Codes of Good Practice (09 Feb 2007) by a BBBEE verification service as an '*Exempted Micro Enterprise, Level 4 Contributor BEE, BEE recognition level 100%*'. Certificate number E00883.

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 (BBBEE Code 700) contributions.

### 2.3 Accounting & Auditing

Financial records are submitted quarterly to Vukukhanye's accounting officer (Peter Cotrell Business Support), who prepares quarterly Management Accounts as well as generating the donation receipts which Vukukhanye provides to donors.

Baker Tilly Morrison Murray (Chartered Accountants) are Vukukhanye's auditors. Financial Statements for the year-ended 29 February 2012 had not been audited at the time of printing this Report. As soon as the auditing process is complete, these financial statements will be available on request or will be available for download from

<http://www.vukukhanye.org/site/annualreports>.

## 2.4 Staff

Vukukhanye employed eight staff members during the 2011/12 period:

Anthony van der Meulen (CEO), Janine Pepper (Social Worker), Kate van der Meulen (Administrator), Jenny van der Meulen (Eastern Cape Area Manager), Maureen Ngema (Domestic Worker & Respite Carer at Foster Home), Nicholas Nala (Foster Home Gardener), Hlengiwe Qwabe (Community Worker) and Nonto Mhlongo (Community Worker). Tryphina Mhlanzi, the Foster Mother at the Children's Foster Home operated by Vukukhanye, receives a stipend from Vukukhanye.

All staff members are registered with SARS for UIF and PAYE (where appropriate). The payroll and Company Income Tax Returns are managed by Baker Tilly Morrison Murray.

## 2.5 Volunteers

The ongoing operation of Vukukhanye is largely thanks to support from various individuals, churches, organisations and companies. Volunteers are integral to the operation of all projects, and besides serving on project teams, volunteers assist with duties such as transport, collection of donations, medical supervision and care, homework and school support, repairs and maintenance, counseling, entertainment, child-minding, corporate 'work-parties', housework help, outings for the children and the provision of resources.



### 3. PROJECTS

#### 3.1 Children's Foster Home

##### Aim

This Home, situated in Berea West Westville, was established in 2001 to provide a source of care for orphans and vulnerable children. Our aim is to provide the children with a loving, stable home environment and associated support (such as education, nutrition, legal, financial, psychological and healthcare) and to help the children grow up to be healthy, educated, socially well-adjusted adults.



##### Children in care since 2001

The children are cared for by a full-time Foster-mother (Tryphina), who receives assistance with domestic work and respite care from Maureen. We continue to co-operate with institutions such as Durban Children's Society, The Department of Welfare and Christian Social Services (CMD).

It is intended that wherever possible children be reintegrated into their family/community or placed with adoptive or foster parents. Where this is not possible, long-term placement of children at the Home occurs. This is the case with six of the children living at the Home, which includes two sibling-groups.

A total of 68 children have been cared for in the Home and 9 children were in care on the 29<sup>th</sup> of February 2012.

Destination of Children 2011-2012	
In care at Foster Home (29/02/2012)	9
Transitioned to care by family	23
Adoption	1
Foster Care	8
Children's Home / Other Institution	25
Living independently	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>68</b>



##### Children cared for during 2011/12

During the 2011/12 period 13 children were cared for at the Foster Home.

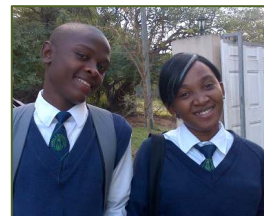
Children cared for 2011/12	
Ongoing, long-term care <sup>1</sup>	6
House-Parent's daughter <sup>2</sup>	1
Short-term care <sup>3</sup>	2
Short-term care <sup>4</sup>	3
Short term family care <sup>5</sup>	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>

1. Sanele, Thanda, Mtkoko, Sli, Mloni, Mxolisi
2. Tracy
3. Dean, Anele
- 1-3. In Home at 29/02/2012 (9 children)
4. Lwandile (twice), Bulelwa, Lindo
5. Blessing – siblings/family hosted during holidays

## Education Support

We are very aware of the importance of quality education and have made it a priority to encourage and motivate the children to reach their full potential. All children of school going age are enrolled in local schools and the tertiary study of older children is funded where possible. Expenditure on education (fees and associated needs) during the 2011/12 period amounted to R59,256.

Children's Foster Home – school enrollment 2011/12		
<b>Pre-school education</b>		
1. The Browns School	Mxolisi	Grade R (2011)
<b>Primary School Education</b>		
2. The Browns School	Mxolisi	Grade 1 (2012)
3. Berea West Junior Primary	Mlondi	Grade 3 (2011)
4. Berea West Senior Primary	Mlondi	Grade 4 (2012)
5. HP Ngwenya Primary	Dean	Grade 4 (2011/12)
6. Berea West Junior Primary	Tracy	Grade 6,7 (2011/12)
7. The Browns School	Sli	Grade 6,7 (2011/12)
<b>Secondary (High) School Education</b>		
8. Chesterville Secondary	Bulelwa	Grade 8 (2011)
9. Chesterville Extension Secondary	Lindo	Grade 8 (2011)
10. Mayville Secondary School	Thanda	Grade 10 (2011)
11. Bonela Secondary	Thanda	Grade 10 (2012)
12. Mayville Secondary School	Mthoko	Grade 10 (2011)
13. Bonela Secondary	Mthoko	Grade 11 (2012)
<b>Tertiary Education</b>		
14. DUT (Information Technology)	Sanele	2011/12



We are grateful for the partnership we have received in facilitating quality education, whether through the investment of time, energy, skills or financial support. The number of volunteers helping the children with homework on a regular basis is very encouraging. Vukukhanye was fortunate to be awarded a grant by Reed Elsevier, which covered most of the school education expenses for 2011. Sanele started studying Information through Durban University of Technology in 2011, which he is thoroughly enjoying and is progressing well. We are very thankful to a couple who have sponsored Sanele's studies in 2012.

Sli attended extra drama lessons through the Rising Star Academy on Thursday afternoons in 2011, which lead to her performance in a fundraiser for the Rising Star Academy at the Durban Botanical Gardens. Due to the talent that Sli has shown in her drama lessons she was awarded a bursary for 2012 and will be doing her Lamda (international) exam at the end of 2012. Mxolisi started Grade R at The Browns School at the beginning of 2011 and has settled in very nicely. He receives speech therapy and occupational therapy as part of his school day and has also continued to receive extra speech therapy through the Speech Pathology Department at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. We are so proud of the progress that Mxolisi has made. Mlondi was very excited to start his first year at Berea West Senior Primary at the beginning of 2012.



### Repairs & Maintenance

A number of repairs were completed at the Home over the 2011/12 period including repairs to the plumbing, security, alarm, the gate and intercom, the washing machine, beehive removal as well as a major roof repair. These repairs were largely thanks to a grant that was awarded to Vukukhanye by Nedbank Local Heroes, Suncoast and Crompton Hospital (Life Healthcare). Staff from Business Partners spent a day painting the kitchen and entrance hall of the Home and then surprised the children with a blackboard wall. A team of French volunteers helped clear the garden.



### Team & Training

Tryphina continues to do an excellent job caring for the children. She is supported by Janine who manages the social welfare and legal responsibilities of the Home and continues to work with Christian Social Services (and other relevant welfare organisations) to monitor placements and grants, and Kate who is responsible for the daily running and management of the Home, including repairs & maintenance, finances, volunteer management and shopping. Tryphina receives domestic assistance from Maureen who also assists with respite care. Simon and Sue also play an integral role in supporting Tryphina and in the management of the Home.

### Outings and other highlights

- Cygnet Pre-Primary School hosted the younger children at the annual Cygnet Fun Day.
- The children attended "Orchestra 2011", sponsored by the British Cultural & Heritage Society.
- Easter egg hunt
- Children's Show at The Durban Botanical Gardens sponsored by Jean van Elden
- Outing to 'Rays Kids World' sponsored by Pat Bussy
- Christmas Party at Mini Town sponsored by FMI
- Christmas visits from ix Online Motoring and Beta Cell
- The Khoza family holidays with hosts
- Baking and swimming
- Suncoast staff visit



### 3.2 Early Childhood Development

#### 3.2.1 Chesterville Preschool Support



##### Aim

Vukukhanye has continued to facilitate support where possible for six preschools in the Chesterville area with the main aim of providing training and support for staff, equipping the schools for creative play and learning, and facilitating adequate resources for curriculum development.

The schools included are Bamba Izandla, Sicheluthando Educare Centre, Ekuthuleni Educare Centre, Mazenod, Zamokuhle and Inami.

##### Training

Cygnets Pre-Primary School hosted quarterly principal workshops for the school principals, focusing on values, mission school administration and syllabus, including numeracy.

##### Additional support

Investec staff prepared and painted a room to be used as a classroom for the 2-4 year old age group at Zamokuhle Preschool in Chesterville on Saturday 14 May.



Vukukhanye's partnership with Suncoast includes monthly CUP (Community Upliftment Project) visits to community projects, schools and organizations in Chesterville. In May 2011 Suncoast staff and the Suncoast Maintenance Team transported a jungle gym donated by a Westville resident to the Bamba Izandla Preschool in Chesterville; where the school's 40 children previously had no playground equipment. Suncoast staff painted the jungle gym in June 2011.



Vukukhanye facilitated a 'Mandela Day' function sponsored by Heartlines for preschool children held at Chesterville Sports Grounds.

Suncoast staff spent time with children at Ekuthuleni Preschool in September 2011. Suncoast arranged a special Christmas Party for the children of Inami Crèche (December 2011) which included a Simba show, Christmas Tree, gift bags and lunch.



Vukukhanye received a large donation of toys from East Coast Rad 'Toy Story' campaign, which were distributed to preschools as well to other families in the community.



### 3.2.2 Vukukhanye Educare Centre

#### Aim

The aim of this project is to facilitate the provision of quality preschool education to children from Chesterville through the development and operation of a fully functioning, self-sustaining centre with proper school readiness classes and well trained staff focused on the holistic development and care of children between the ages of 0 and 6 years. This will however be phased-in over time, starting in 2012.



#### Progress in 2011/112

While it was not our original intention to start a completely new educare centre, but to set up a facility to be used as the new home for Bamba Izandla Crèche (which has been operating in Chesterville since 1989), Bamba Izandla's needs changed when they gained access to a permanent facility at their original location. It was therefore decided to start a new educare centre. Cooperation with and guidance from Inkanyezi Crèche was very valuable and after conducting investigations on the needs of the local community, it was decided to restrict our initial enrollment to children under 4 years old. This would allow parents/caregivers to seek/attend work while their children were receiving affordable care. Interviews were conducted and 7 ladies volunteered to work at the school.

The set-up of the facility was only achieved thanks to the support and commitment of many partners. The Westville Rotary Club (and the Rotary Clubs of Lake Murray and Spring Valley) for example awarded Vukukhanye a grant of R250,000 towards items including furniture, cutlery, cleaning materials, stationery, equipment, educational resources, rainwater tanks and sanitary ware. All these items were acquired in the 2011/12 financial year. Five second hand park homes donated and refurbished by Container Conversions are being used as classrooms, kitchen, office and storeroom. Two brand new park-home classrooms were donated by Zoë-Life (via Radio Cracker and The Irish Builders Association) and The African Women Chartered Accountants. ABSA Secured Lending department worked hard decorating and equipping the inside of two of the park home classrooms, and donated various consumable items.

Vukukhanye Educare Centre opened on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2012. Twenty-seven children under 4 years were enrolled at 29 February 2012, with seven volunteer staff (1 supervisor, 4 teachers and 2 kitchen staff). The school is currently operating under the NPO registration of Vukukhanye, but it is our intention to register the school over time with the Department of Social Development.



#### School fee structure:

Enrolment Fee R50.00 (once off)

Children under 1 year	R300,00 per month
Toddlers (1-3 yrs) in nappies	R200.00 per month
Older children (not in nappies)	R100.00 per month

#### Operating Times and Daily Schedule

The terms follow the normal school terms in KwaZulu-Natal. The Educare Centre opens at 07h00 daily until 15h00. After-care is provided until 16h30. The children are fed breakfast, a mid-morning snack and lunch daily.



<18 months (Red Group): 7 children

18 months–4 years: 20 children

### Staff Training Strategy

The volunteer teachers have established a good routine and encouraging feedback has been received from parents who are noticing improvements in their children’s learning and socialization. Informal training is ongoing, such as guidance from the supervisor at Inkanyezi Crèche and visits from preschool teachers to demonstrate learning ideas and techniques. Formal training is a priority and planned training includes that provided by TREE and Phakamisa. First-Aid Training has been provided by St John Ambulance, but implementation of the outstanding training is dependent on funding.



### 3.3 Sport For All Chesterville



#### Sport For All Social Franchise Model

Sport For All is a social franchise which provides structured coaching and life-skills programmes to children who have limited access to sport, and uses technology (such as a smart card system) to deliver coaching programmes and monitor coaches and children. It also creates an opportunity for local coaches and entrepreneurs to own their own business. Sport For All membership consists of paying members and “Orphans and Vulnerable Children” (OVCs), for whom fees are paid from the Sport For All Development Trust OVC fund or other corporate sponsors. These funds also help to create income for the coaches as a portion of the monthly fees is allocated to the coaches fees and the franchise manager.

### Sport For All Chesterville

Through corporate sponsorships towards new equipment and other franchise set up costs in 2009, Vukukhanye was able raise the funds to purchase a franchise from Sport For All Franchising SA; and Sport For All Chesterville was launched in early 2009 at the Chesterville Sports ground in Mahlathi Road. In 2010; thanks to support from Sport For All Franchising; a 2<sup>nd</sup> Sport For All Chesterville franchise was set up at Chesterville Extension 1, on a municipal field between H.P. Ngwenya Primary and Chesterville Extension Secondary School. In 2011 Vukukhanye entered into a joint venture agreement with a Chesterville resident Sipiwe Qwabe, where Vukukhanye and Sipiwe (the franchise manager) were the 'Franchisee'. Sport For All Chesterville is an independent enterprise with its own bank account. Vukukhanye has assisted with raising Enterprise Development and Social-Economic Development funds for Sport For All Chesterville; while day-to-day operations have gradually been handed over to Sipiwe and the coaches.

The aim of the project is to contribute to youth development, crime prevention and the development of sporting talent within the school-going youth of Chesterville, by:

- facilitating the increased availability of after-school sports coaching opportunities, along with the necessary sports equipment and kit, to school children in Chesterville;
- using sport as a platform for teaching life-skills to youth in Chesterville;
- keeping children productively occupied and safe after school;
- providing local entrepreneurs with sports coaching and business skills.

### 2011/12 Progress

During 2011/12 four coaches (2 at each site) and Sipiwe (Franchise Manager) provided daily after-school coaching and life-skills to schoolchildren at two sites - Chesterville Sports Ground (Mahlathi Road) and the Chesterville Extension 1 Sports Ground (Dennis Shepstone Road).

The team also participated in weekend league matches, tournaments and friendly games. The under 13 to under 17 soccer teams are active in the Durban Central Football Association League, where they performed well again in 2011 - the U/15 team winning their age-group and the U/17s coming 2<sup>nd</sup>. The netball and soccer teams attended trials in Umgababa, where 10 senior netball girls were selected for the Durban Central Netball League and 6 boys were selected for the next stage of trials for teams such as Kaizer Chiefs, Amazulu and Golden Arrows. The drum majorettes are very enthusiastic and attend tournaments and training where possible.

Sport For All Chesterville, Chesterville Extension 1 Site, hosted an **Open Day** on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2011 to promote its services. The surrounding community, particularly children of school-going age, were invited to participate in free sports' coaching sessions and friendly matches such as soccer, netball, cricket, volleyball and touch rugby. Local community dance and drama groups were invited to perform. The day was attended by 550 children and was a great success. Thank you very much to the local community for their support, as well as Hulets, Coca-Cola and St John Ambulance for arranging a sound system, prizes, refreshments and first aid.



The Vodacom Foundation generously donated 100 tracksuits, 100 pairs of soccer boots and 100 kit bags to Sport For All Chesterville, which is primarily being used by Sport For All Teams during league and friendly matches, but also during training for children who do not have soccer boots.



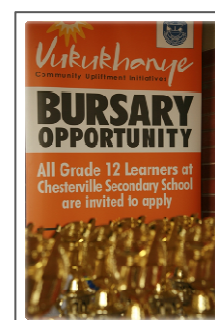
### 3.4 Bursary Project

#### Aim

The aim of the bursary project is to motivate learners, reward achievement and facilitate tertiary education for deserving, disadvantaged learners; through the provision of long-term, renewable bursaries.

The motivation behind this project is the following:

- In South Africa, only 1 in 12 learners that start school matriculate
- Only 1 in 4 matriculants go on to university
- Only 1 in 4 of those who go to university complete their degree
- International research shows that without substantial numbers of professionals a country cannot advance
- 2007 Grade 12 pass rate at Chesterville Secondary School was 47%

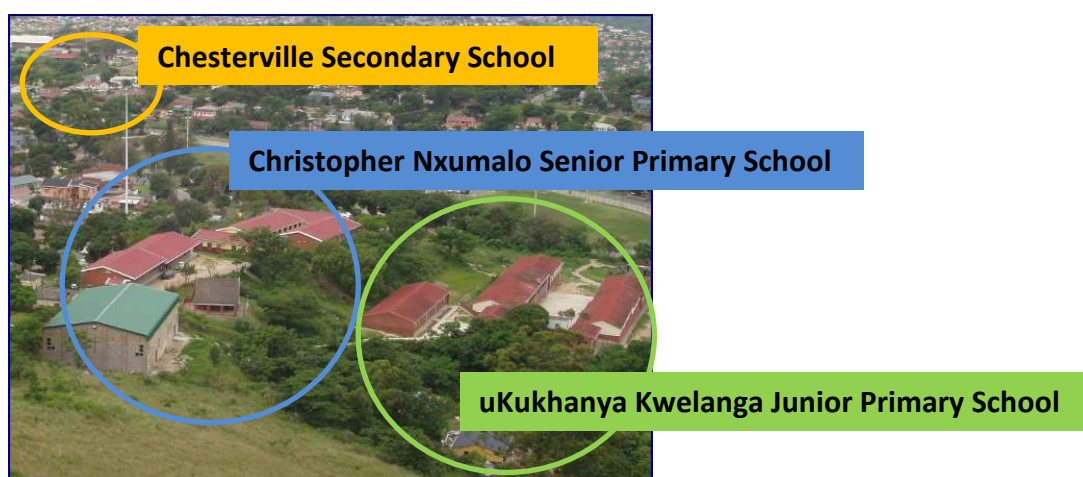


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#### Bursary Project Background

Vukukhanye launched a Tertiary Education Bursary Project at Chesterville Secondary School on the 22nd of August 2008. Two Grade 12 candidates were selected and their tertiary studies were sponsored from 2009 by the Victor Daitz Foundation and Prestige Cleaning Services.

Partnership with Suncoast from June 2009 made significant expansion of the bursary project possible; when Suncoast sponsored 8 bursary candidates, from uKukhanya Kwelanga Junior Primary School, Christopher Nxumalo Senior Primary School and Chesterville Secondary School. From 2010 Suncoast continued sponsorship of the existing 8 bursars and committed to sponsoring four new bursaries per year. The bursaries cover school/tuition fees and other education related expenses such as uniforms, stationery, text books, extra lessons and extra mural activities.



Three Chesterville Schools included in bursary project

## List of Bursars

	Name	Gender	Grade/Course in 2012	School/Institution	Yr Selected
1	Nobuhle Ngubane	Female	2	uKukhanya Kwelanga	2011
2	Asanda Sibisi	Male	3	uKukhanya Kwelanga	2010
3	Nompilo Hlatshwaye	Female	4	Kwa-Mashu	2009
4	Siphosethu Nciki	Male	4	uKukhanya Kwelanga	2009
5	Sofia Mavundla	Female	6	Christopher Nxumalo	2011
6	Nonsikelelo Raphoka	Female	7	Christopher Nxumalo	2010
7	Siphiwo Memela	Female	8	Chesterville Extension Sec.	2009
8	Thembinkosi Mdunge	Male	8	Chesterville Extension Sec.	2009
9	Nolwazi Shandu	Female	9	Chesterville Secondary	2011
10	Thandeka Masondo	Female	10	Chesterville Secondary	2010
11	Silindile Nyerende	Female	11	Chesterville Secondary	2009
12	Thabiso Ngcobo	Male	11	Chesterville Secondary	2009
13	Z'busiso Makhanya	Female	B.Com Accounting (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)	Damelin	2011
14	Sibonelo Nyongwana	Male	Civil Engineering (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)	DUT	2010
15	Thobeka Radebe	Female	Home-based care/Nursing (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)	Natal Settler Homes, Netcare	2009
16	Tsepo Mchunu	Male	Dip. Marketing Mgmt (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)	Rosebank College	2009
17	Philile Mafu	Female	BSc: Biological Science	UKZN	2008

### P R I M A R Y



1. Nobuhle



2. Asanda



3. Nompilo



4. Siphosethu



5. Sofia



6. Nonsikelelo

### S E C O N D A R Y



7. Siphiwo



8. Thembinkosi



9. Nolwazi



10. Thandeka



11. Silindile



12. Thabiso

### T E R T I A R Y



13. Z'Busiso



14. Sbonelo



15. Thobeka



16. Tsepo



17. Philile

### 2009 Tertiary Bursars

Philile Mafu, the bursar chosen from the Grade 12 class of 2008, continued her studies in a BSc: Biological Sciences at UKZN.

### 2010 Tertiary Bursars

In 2011 Tsepo Mchunu completed his first year of “Diploma in Marketing Management” at Rosebank College. This is a three year diploma. Tsepo’s 2011 progress was encouraging, except for Economics, which will be repeated while also studying the full complement of 2<sup>nd</sup> year subjects in 2012.

Thobeka Radebe used 2011 as a bridging year to help her gain acceptance into Nursing through Netcare in 2012. She attended a Skills Development Course offered by Netcare to help her with her application for 2012, and Vukukhanye arranged further training for Thobeka in interview skills and English. Thobeka attended a Three month “Home-Based Care & HIV/AIDS Counselling” course through Natal Settlers Homes, which included a 2 month course in “Holistic Home Based Care”, a 1 month “HIV/AIDS Counselling Course” and a 5-day “Crisis Intervention Workshop”. She achieved 71% as her final result for Home Based Care. Thobeka was accepted to study Nursing through Netcare Training Academy, based in Durban North in 2012. She attends lectures daily and practical experience is gained in local hospitals.

### 2011 Tertiary Bursar

Sbonelo Nyongwana was selected from Chesterville Secondary School Grade 12 class of 2010. Sbonelo completed his first year of Civil Engineering (S1 & S2) at Durban University of Technology in 2011. His results were excellent, having achieved more than 70% in more than half his subjects (with 72% for Mathematics).

### 2012 Tertiary Bursar

Z’Busiso Makhanya was selected from Chesterville Secondary School Grade 12 class of 2011. Z’Busiso was outperforming the rest of the Grade 12 class; achieving consistently good academic results. She had a clear ambition to study accounting and her Grade 12 June examination results earned her sufficient points for provisional acceptance to the University of KZN. While Z’Busiso’s final Grade 12 results earned her a ‘university exemption’, her mathematics and accounting symbols were not sufficient to obtain immediate entrance to UKZN. She was placed on a waiting list, and delays in confirmation from UKZN led to a decision to enrol at Damelin to study B.Com in 2012.

### School Bursars

The school bursary recipients were selected by their teachers at their respective schools, based on their previous academic record, character and financial need. All eleven school bursary recipients selected from 2009 to 2011 passed their respective grades in 2011, with Theminkosi Mdunge and Sipiwo Memela progressing from primary (grade 7) to secondary school (grade 8). All the children received support through the payment of their annual school fees, the provision of school uniforms, school stationery and related education expenses. In addition, Vukukhanye assisted the families/siblings of the bursars with welfare-related support such as food parcels and consumables where possible.



### 3.5 School Partnership

Efforts towards the support of Chesterville schools included...

- two large donation of paper and board by Peters Papers to a number of Chesterville schools & preschools



- WS Lloyd donated funds to Vukukhanye to be used for the support of uKukhanya Kwelanga Junior Primary, which was allocated to the repair of the girls' toilets.



- In partnership with Aurecon, Vukukhanye arranged for six Grade 11 learners interested in engineering from Chesterville Secondary School and Chesterville Extension Secondary School to spend a day of work experience at Aurecon on the 24th of June.

- Thirty-eight cushioned stools donated by Suncoast to Chesterville Secondary School, to be used in the *Engineering, Graphics and Design* class, which did not have chairs suitable for the high drawing desks.



- Promoting drug awareness by assisting Public Relations students from Durban University of Technology in a Public Relations Project. The students arranged for a representative of the Cato Manor Police Station to speak at a school assembly at Christopher Nxumalo Primary School.
- Suncoast, in partnership with the World Chef Tour, included Chesterville in the World Chef Tour experience. Approximately 100 primary school children from local schools were provided with a meal at the Ingilonde building at the Chesterville Clinic site.
- A 2<sup>nd</sup> hand 6x3m park home donated to Vukukhanye by Container Conversions, was given to a primary school in Luganda, Marianhill.

### 3.6 Welfare Support Project

#### Aim

The aim of the Welfare Support Project is to contribute to social welfare service delivery in the greater Chesterville area of Cato Manor, particularly to orphans and vulnerable children and vulnerable families.

#### Welfare Services

During the 2011/12 period Janine Pepper, Vukukhanye's social worker, continued to assist with the provision of welfare and social services within Chesterville. Funding received from The Starfish Foundation for Vukukhanye's 2011 OVC (orphans & vulnerable children) programme allowed Vukukhanye to employ two community workers. These workers, along with two other volunteer community workers, assisted with social needs assistance such as the support of child-headed families and families in crisis, emergency assistance (e.g. food parcels and infant formula), follow-up on cases of child-abuse, support in accessing official documentation and grants, and referrals to other organisations

#### Training

The community workers received the following training:

- completing intake/family assessment forms, making referrals to Home Affairs as well as other organizations
- Zoë-Life KIDZ ALIVE programme that helps assist with disclosure and adherence issues, particularly focused on HIV positive children between the ages of 4 and 12. Training includes pre and post-test counselling of children
- Grief, trauma and family counselling through Siyahlanganisa
- Crisis training
- Lifeline training



#### Jes Foord Community Care Centre

Vukukhanye through its partnership with the Chesterville Residents Association, the Chesterville Health and Welfare Forum as well as the Ward 24 Councillor Jabu Mbongwa, identified the need for a Counselling Centre based in the community of Chesterville where welfare services (especially those related to trauma and abuse) were available to residents, avoiding the need to travel long distances. We were very fortunate to be introduced to the Jes Foord Foundation who sought to partner with community-based organizations in order to establish crisis centres where professional support services are provide to victims of abuse in a dignified and caring manner.

Much of 2011 was spent preparing the Centre for operation; and it was officially opened on the 30th of November 2011.



Facilities at the Care Centre, which is located at the Chesterville Clinic site, include a reception/counselling area, an office/consultation room, a play-therapy room, a kitchen and bathroom. These are housed in two 2nd-hand park homes donated by Container Conversions and decorated by Style Design College, ABSA, Container Conversions and Suncoast. The facility is fenced (thanks to NPC Cimpor) and has a jungle gym. A generous donation from ABSA (Secured Lending Department) via the Jes Foord Foundation was instrumental in the set up process.



The primary role of the Centre is to provide psycho-social support to individuals and families through counselling and support groups. While services are provided at the Centre, it also serves as a convenient central base from which to operate.

The following services were provided:

- counselling services two days per week;
- a weekly caregiver support programme (covering grieving, care and discipline of children, nutritional information, management and treatment of HIV and wellness);
- referral to appropriate organizations for further assistance (e.g. rape to St. Augustines Hospital Rape Crisis Facility)
- a contracted private social worker provided free play-therapy and counselling to victims of
- child abuse
- The Chesterville Clinic used the Centre once a week for ARV's and doctor's appointments (the clinic sees an average of 22 patients per month).

#### Chesterville Health & Welfare Forum

During 2011 the Forum, chaired by Vukukhanye's social worker, met on a monthly basis. The objective of the Forum is to provide a platform for organizations to network, collaborate and share resources in order to avoid duplication and provide excellent service delivery to the people of Chesterville. Active members during the 2011/12 period were Vukukhanye, Highway Hospice, Muthande Society for the Aged, Noluthando Nutrition, Sivukile, Cato Manor ABM, Cato Manor Pastors Fraternal, Chesterville Clinic, Community Health Workers, EPWP Drug Awareness Counsellors, West City Fellowship, Olive Leaf Foundation and Zoë-Life.

The Forum was actively involved in assisting the Chesterville Clinic with the launch of the ARV Roll Out in March 2011 i.e. ARV's as well as pre-and post-test counselling are now being provided (to new patients) from the Chesterville Municipal Clinic. The event was a great success thanks to excellent cooperation and partnership between all stakeholders.

The Forum was also actively involved in the Wellness Day organized by Olive Leaf Foundation on the 1st of April 2011 which focused on services to families identified from Chesterville Extension 3. Services offered are targeted at OVC families, and include HIV testing, counselling, PAP smears, cholesterol, TB, Diabetes Mellitus, Blood Pressure, drug counselors, nutritionists, environmental health; and social work services such as grants, IDs, referrals and letters. Vukukhanye assisted with social services at this event and dealt with referrals to Home Affairs and accessing social grants.



ARV Roll-Out Launch



## Other welfare highlights

- Food parcels were distributed to child-headed households and families supporting orphans and vulnerable children in Chesterville. The food parcels were supplied to Vukukhanye by CAST, Rotary Food Power, Westville Rotary Club and East Coast Radio Toy Story. The goal with each family is to avoid creating dependence and to work towards a situation where the food parcel is no longer needed.
- Vukukhanye received another generous donation from Clover Alloys to be used for schooling costs for needy children in Chesterville. The donation was used to pay deposits in order to get children in to school and to buy school uniforms and stationery for crisis cases.
- Blankets were given to Vukukhanye for distribution in Chesterville in the Winter Warmth Campaign, in partnership with the Westville Rotary Club. Price Waterhouse Coopers also donated blankets, milk and hot chocolate to help keep people warm.
- Almost 1000 gifts were allocated to Vukukhanye by the Westville Rotary Club, as part of the 2011 East Coast Radio 'Toy Story' Campaign. These toys were distributed to five preschools, Vukukhanye's bursary families and other children monitored and supported by Vukukhanye.



- Eskom donated food for 20 child-headed households



- Santa's Shoe boxes for 100 children donated by 'Fins and Flippers Swimming School'.



- Sunflower Fund 'Bandana Day' Campaign - on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 2011, 45 children from Chesterville participated in the Sunflower Fund Fun Run and 'Rope of Hope', in partnership with Suncoast.



- Women's Day function sponsored by Heartlines

- Suncoast staff provided a meal and other refreshments; which was served to members of the 'Chesterville Disabled Peoples Support Group' and the Chesterville branch of the 'Association for the Physically Disabled' (APD).



- A large team of volunteers from Abbott Pharmaceuticals spent the day in Chesterville in February 2012. The group was divided into a number of teams and worked at the Chesterville Satellite Hospice and Chesterville Clinic where they decorated children's waiting areas, upgraded the Hospice vegetable garden, painted the Hospice kitchen and the clinics immunization room. The team then had lunch in the Chesterville Community Hall with members of the projects they served. Abbott donated all the toy chests, toys, paint and other materials needed; as well as donating a large amount of stationery and other supplies useful for schoolchildren.



### 3.7 Eastern Cape

Vukukhanye Eastern Cape works in the communities of Klipfontein, Ekuphumleni and Marselle in the Kenton on Sea area of the Ndlambe Municipality.

The following are the projects in which Vukukhanye Eastern Cape has been directly involved or has worked together with Child Welfare SA, Kenton/Bushmans.



#### Asibavikele project ('Let us protect them')

Social workers together with 18 trained volunteers from the communities are assisting children in need. The main focus of this project is to identify orphans and vulnerable children in the three disadvantaged communities of Ekuphumleni, Marselle and Klipfontein. By February 2012, 624 vulnerable children had been identified within these disadvantaged communities.

This project is funded by PEPFAR (President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief) and provides funds for the volunteers' stipends and uniforms, in-service training, awareness campaigns and general expenditure. The funding ends at the end of September 2012 and all the sites through-out the country will be closing except the Kenton site.

- **Capacity building**  
Volunteer capacity building serves to empower volunteers so that they have the necessary skills needed to effectively deliver services to OVCs. This is done through community-based activities where community members are educated on aspects of Child Abuse and HIV/AIDS.
- **Community Child Care Forum**  
Members are trained to identify vulnerable children, who may be at risk of abuse or neglect in the community. Specific areas also include HIV & AIDS and the care of children, social issues that affect children, food security and nutrition, bereavement and counseling. The following services are delivered to identified OVCs: psycho-social support, food and nutritional support and the facilitation of access to social grants and identity documents.
- **Child protection**  
Protecting the welfare of children is at the core of Asibavikele, activities and services are aimed at prevention and early intervention. Asibavikele volunteers held an "Awareness Campaign" at the Ikamvelesizwe Combined School at Ekuphumleni, Kenton on Sea.



- **Educational support**

Asibavikele tries to ensure that lack of finances do not prevent children from attending school. Volunteers facilitate access to education by negotiating school fee exemptions for vulnerable children. Funding raised in 2011 enabled volunteers in the Klipfontein community to establish an “After School Centre” where an “Educational support group” started operating in 2011 and was officially opened in February 2012. Twenty pupils are assisted here with homework and extra mural activities.



- **Food and Nutritional support**

Food parcels or shopping vouchers are provided to vulnerable families in cases when emergency relief is required. Soup kitchens have been established to provide meals for vulnerable children.

- **Legal / Social services**

Volunteers assist families to become registered as Foster Parents. This formalizes the placement of children with the identified individual or relative through a legal process and requires careful consideration of the suitability of applicants. Volunteers assist clients with birth registrations, death certificates and social grant applications.

#### Thokomala Foster Home

The Thokomala Foster Home in Marselle now has 7 Foster Children, who are all doing well at school. The children are cared for by Mrs Florence Mbanzi. Foster care families are also recruited to serve as guardians for other OVCs.

## 4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 4.1 Treasurer's Report – February 2012


Another year has passed and Vukukhanye has maintained operations defiantly through another tough year financially speaking. The world economic down turn a few years ago has left countries' economies struggling to recover. Growth rates are slow and businesses and consumers are not spending in order to reduce credit and survive until circumstances improve again. This has had a negative effect on fundraising for Vukukhanye. However we have been able to maintain the donor income into the organisation at the same levels as the previous year resulting from faithful and committed donors. We are grateful for your continued loyal support. This support enabled Vukukhanye to continue to work on it various projects in the following areas;

- The Home at 7 Bristol Road
- Early Childhood Development
- Welfare Support
- Bursaries
- Sport For All Chesterville

We have had to take a serious view on our running expenses to ensure our on-going sustainability, to this end the office lease was not renewed and the offices moved to Anthony's home where we pay a nominal amount to have a base. There were other savings in overheads across all expense categories, however, where specific projects were undertaken and where funding was raised those expenses have increased year on year. For example tertiary education increased by 13%, transport increased by 44,4% and security by 243% after numerous burglaries the security was improved at the Foster Home and Community Care Centre. Heartlines funded a number of community events as part of the Heartlines Comes to Town ("Healthy Chesterville") Initiative, where the funds were paid to Vukukhanye who then paid suppliers - these included Mandela Day and Women's Day events. This resulted in functions increasing by 183% (value R23 440).

To summarise, Vukukhanye ran at a loss for the period under review of R 185 586 (R 96 138 loss: 2011). The negative trend is concerning however in light of the depressed economy understandable. Revenue grew by .9% which is very disappointing and overheads grew by 7%; which resulted in the loss.

For the year ahead ending February 2013 we have experienced a number of changes, which based on income received, Vukukhanye has been able to survive. We will continue to fundraise to ensure that there is sufficient income to cover expenses and to continue with the projects we have at hand. We thank all our faithful donors and look forward to your support into the future and we are confident we will be able to grow our support base.



**Brad Leech** (Treasurer)

## 4.2 Financial Statements (for year-ended 29 February 2012)

Financial Statements for the year-ended 29 February 2012 had not been audited at the time of posting this electronic version of the Annual Report. As soon as the auditing process is complete, these financial statements will be available on request or will be available for download from <http://www.vukukhanye.org/site/annualreports>.

## **5. DONORS & VOLUNTEERS**

### **5.1 Financial Donors**

#### **Companies:**

Abbott Laboratories, ABSA, ACRES, Antcon, Argil Business Growth, Container Solutions SA, Don't Waste Services, Frontline Underwriting Managers, Henred Fruehauf, Investec Private Bank, Key Motor Group (Pty) Ltd, Nedbank Ltd, Prestige Cleaning Services, Rainbow Farms (Pty) Ltd, Suncoast, Tsogo Sun, Witon Chemicals (Pty) Ltd, WS Lloyd.

#### **Trusts /Schools /Churches/other NGOS:**

Heartlines, Humanitaere Cubehilfe, Maris Stella Grade 9K, The Paw Paw Foundation, Sport For All, St Martin in the Fields, St Michaels Cluster Group (Natasha Lynn), Starfish Greathearts Foundation, West City Fellowship, Westville Junior Primary School.

#### **Individuals:**

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### **5.2 In-Kind Donations & Volunteers**

#### **Companies:**

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#### **Trusts /Schools /Churches/other NGOS:**

Berea West Junior Primary, Beta Cell-St Martins Church, British Cultural & Heritage Society, CAST, Chesterville Health & Welfare Forum Christian Social Services, Cygnet Pre-Primary School, Durban University of Technology, Fins and Flippers Swimming School, Gift of the Givers, Highway Homes, Inkanyezi Creche, Jes Foord Foundation, Maris Stella (Grade 9K), Radio Cracker, Rotary Club of Westville, Rotary Annes of Westville, Route 5, Santa Shoeboxes, Saturn Pre-Primary, Siyahlanganisa, St Johns Ambulance, St Martin-in-the-Fields, St Monica's Children's Home, The Chesterville Residents Association, The Department of Health, The Gabriel Foundation, Westville Christian Fellowship, Westville Senior Primary School, Zoë-Life.

**Individuals:**

Lenny Abrahams, Lynette Abrahams, Kerry Anderson, Alan & Sue Balding, Simon & Sue Barff, Barry & Olwyn Barrat, Judy Benschop, Dr. Steve Blankenburg, Judy Bolton, Tony and Victoria Brennan, Pat Bussy, Pru Campbell, Sante Cestari, Ashina Chetty, Pat Cheves, Caroline & Billy Clark, Deon Coetzee, Craig & Lauren Coombe, Cathy & Maurice Dedman, Pat & Ron Durrans, Esmeralda Erasmus, Wendy Etchells, Jenny Flower, Simon Fraser, John & Morag Geach, Sharon Golding, Shelley & Kurt Grunewald, Juliet & Craig Hartley, Janine & Bachi Hartman, Amelia Jansen, Zodwa & Gabriel Khumalo, Phanny & Andrezj Kiepiela, Corne & Cecile Krog-Scheepers, Anthony & Shirley Laskey, Lauren, Andrew & Bev Law, Brad & Jane Leech, Steaphan & Belinda MacDonald, Lyn Mason, Tim & Heather Maxwell, Lesley Mayer, Peter and Denise McCulloch, Judy McNaughton, Nomcebo Mkhize, Betty Morgan, Gladys Mpambaniso, Paul Myers, Saloshni Naicker, Bongani Ndimande, Maureen Ngema, Brad & Janine Pepper, Reggie & Vani Perumal, Cliffy Perumal, Gary Petersen, Shane Pillay, Siphwiwe & Hlengiwe Qwabe, Cilla Shaw, Sandeep Singh, Jim & Suzanne Smith, Surina, Ros & Brad Toerien, Linda Topp, Pierre Tostee, Mike & Lindy van der Meulen, Jean van Elden, Yvonne van Niekerk, Kerry-Lee van Heerdan, Mike & Shirley Vernon, Tamara & Simon Vernon, Les Watkins, Peter & Sandy Watt, Ruth & Gary White, Rose Williams, Lisa & Hamish Wilmot, Bruce Woolley, Basil & Stella Wulfsohn.

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