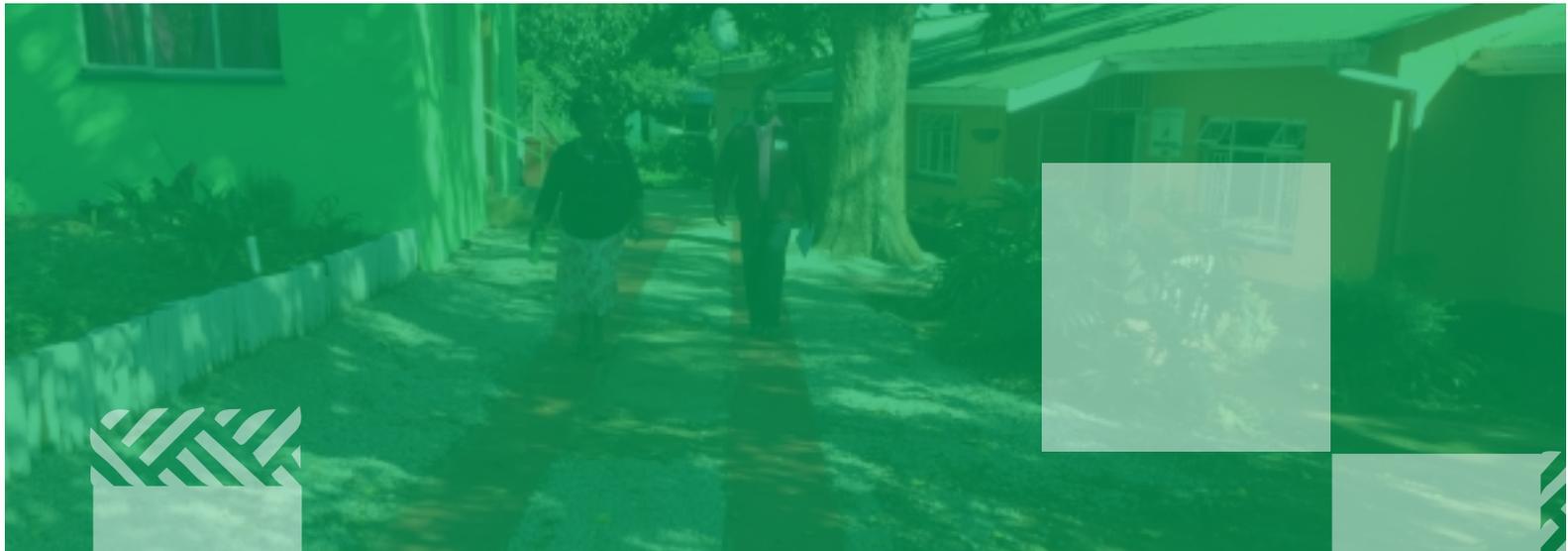




Emmanuel's Wish Foundation ANNUAL REPORT 2017



MESSAGE FROM
THE PRESIDENT

EWMA... Wish Foundation





Christine Eisses
President

Today I sit down to write this update from the Emmanuel's Wish office in South Africa. We have had a busy day. A busy week actually. Sometimes when I am here I feel like I am constantly running from one problem to the next, from one visit to another, from one person's burden to another person's joy. Sometimes this is exhausting.

Today we were busy bringing porridge out to the schools on our breakfast program. We went from school to school delivering breakfast supplies that feed nearly 1300 children everyday. The children from these schools walk between 10 and 30 km everyday in order to learn. The dedication and joy these children have for learning is contagious! I spoke to the teachers in each school, and the principals, and as we continued on I realized that all of this running around is not in vain. The busy days, the praying for funding, the working through issues; it all makes a difference for the people affected day in and day out at EWF.

As I spoke to the principals the one thing I heard over and over again was a gratefulness that they could count on Emmanuel's wish. I had many tell me that they had requested funding from places in the past and it was never consistent. Over and over again we heard that Emmanuel's wish can be counted on. We will be there when we say we will be there, we will provide what God makes available for us to provide, and over all we will listen to the needs of the community and do our best to meet them.

God is good. He is covering the needs of His people. He is using Emmanuel's Wish as a tool for good in the community of Richmond.

Through my time here I am realizing many needs and programs that must be addressed this coming year. We are in need of \$2000 more in monthly sponsorships to add vital new programs to what we do. Everything from new schools added to the breakfast program, the opening of our first EWF library in the community, to a program to assist girls missing school on the week of their menstrual cycle. Will you consider how you can assist us in moving forward this coming year? Will you be someone that can be counted on?

Let us not become weary in doing good. Gal 6:9



Above: Emmanuel's Wish Foundation Staff Retreat

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COMFORT HOME



New driveway thanks to the work of volunteers



Mondli Mkhize
Comfort Home Manager



The Comfort Home (Hospice) operating in Richmond, at 22 Princess Street, Richmond Kwazulu Natal, South Africa. Ikhaya lokuphatheka Kahle (The good home) is currently made up of 15 beds and is equipped to serve those sick and dying patients. In 2017 we were able to admit 42 patients and help each of these patients in different ways. At the comfort home we focus on our God to promote health care in our facility and in our community.

The majority of the patients seen at the Comfort Home are HIV positive and need medication or have defaulted on their medication. In order to stay healthy with HIV patients must stay on a very strict medication regime and often this is a problem. 43% of patients admitted in 2017 were diagnosed or had treatment for patient who were HIV positive.

Pulmonary Tuberculosis made up 21% of the patients that we diagnosed, initiated, and completed treatment for in our facility. An important part in every treatment is good nutrition and we provide this at the comfort home by making a variety of foods that promote healing and energy.

The remaining 36% of patients treated at our facility were chronic patients who were experiencing acute diarrhoea, epilepsy, high blood pressure, cancer, stroke, or diabetic. Most of the chronic patients are come from the community of Sgcakini or the squatter camps which are the poorest regions of Richmond. Their living environment is inadequate for promoting health and often these patients do not eat good food or have a good clean living place. We were also able to help children in the comfort home often who are affected by HIV and AIDS. One child came to us from Siyathuthuka area who had open and blistering sores covering his entire chin. When he left our care you could hardly tell the area that had been affected by the sore.

In March 2017 we had two teams from Canada who sacrificed their time to assist us with renovating our facility, painting our buildings, fixing washing machine, fixing our gate, and installation of a Jojo Tank. We appreciate their work as it has improved the basic needs of the comfort home.

This year we also focused on taking care of our staff. All staff members were administered with the Hepatitis B vaccine to protect them while they are at work. We continue to build them up spiritually, physically, and emotionally. We had a workshop for the staff where we taught them the new mandate of HIV and AIDS, new drugs for TB, and a care system called DOTS (Direct, Observe, Treatment, Support). The team building braai (BBQ) was so great for all the staff and fun was had by all.

Emmanuel's Wish Foundation and the Comfort Home had a good impact in our community by helping members of community through health care and teaching the community and staff the word of God. We know this will continue with positivity and focus on EWF goals and aims!!



Above: Comfort home in summer

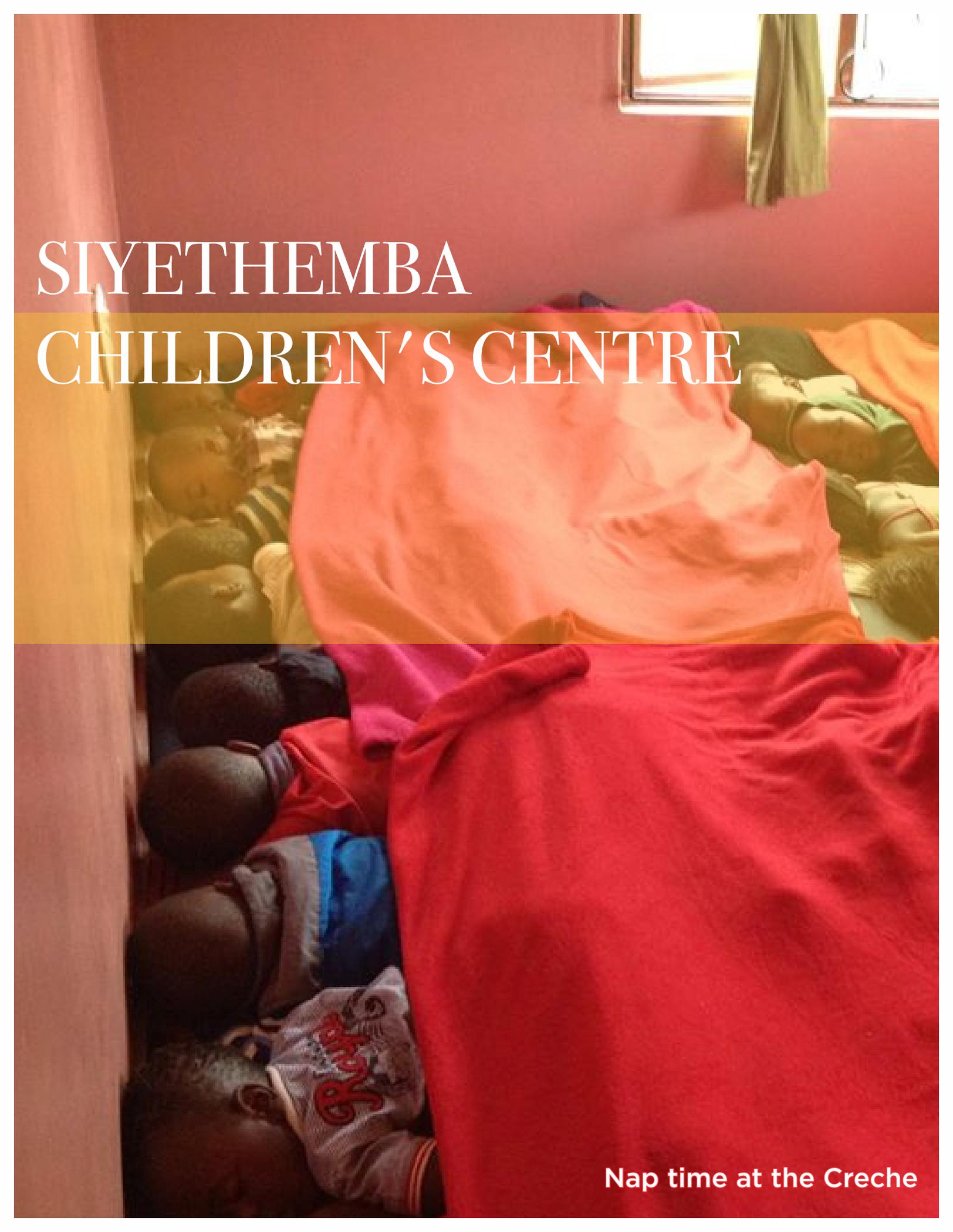


Above: Staff members pose in front of EWF's Combi (van)



Above: The men cooking for the staff Brai (BBQ)



A photograph of a room with red walls and a window with green curtains. In the foreground, a child is sleeping on a bed covered with a red blanket. In the background, several other children are sleeping on a bed covered with a yellow blanket. The text 'SIYETHEMBA CHILDREN'S CENTRE' is overlaid on the image in white serif font.

SIYETHEMBA CHILDREN'S CENTRE

Nap time at the Creche



Nonzuzo Ndlovu
Siyathemba Crèche Manager



In 2017 we had 47 kids attending Crèche. These kids are coming from different homes and backgrounds. Many from families with single parents or children cared for by grandparents, and many from squatter camp communities. This year there were many more kids who applied to attend Crèche and even now there are many parents still coming and looking for a spot for their child at the Crèche. We hope in the future that we will be able to have more children attend so that more children can learn and play in a safe place. We have a total of four teachers and one cook who work at the Crèche every day. We enjoy the children and teaching them every day from 7:30am till 4:00pm while their parents are at work.

This summer (Canada's winter) a team came from Canada to do many repairs at the Crèche. They painted Siyathemba Crèche outside walls, outside area for outdoor play, and the outdoor shelter. Everything looks much nicer with new paint and helps us to look professional.

We now have a Jojo tank (water holding tank) that helps a lot when we wash kids' blankets that they use for nap time. In this way we can save on water by using the rain water in the tank. The geyser (hot water tank) was previously inside the house in the roof and was leaking and damaging the walls of the house. It is now outside with new pipes and is working much better.

The team put shelves in the Wendy (storage) house and also in the kitchen. They made a good table to help the cook when preparing food for the children and dishing up all the food. They also put up 50 hooks for the children to hang their bags up when they come in the mornings. The fence around the Crèche was also repaired. All these things help to keep the crèche running smooth and organized.

Siyathemba Crèche is about learning, play, and prayer. To me Siyathemba Crèche means that there are so many kids on the safe side now who have the opportunity to learn and play and be children like they should be. Thank you for helping us to keep Siyathemba Crèche moving forward and developing it.



Above: Children at creche playing on tires



Above: Children who attend Crèche daily



Above: Squatters camp poorest living in Richmond



A photograph of two women standing in a rural, outdoor setting. The woman on the left is wearing a tall, conical woven hat with a red and black band, a white t-shirt with a graphic, and a green skirt with a large black and white leaf pattern. She is holding a small white cup. The woman on the right is wearing a leopard-print headwrap, a white t-shirt, and a red skirt with a blue and yellow pattern. They are standing in front of a wooden fence made of vertical posts. The background shows green foliage and hills. A semi-transparent red banner is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text 'COMMUNITY OUTREACH'.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Women of the community waiting for their food parcel



Scotch Mchunu
Operations & Outreach Manager



This past year, 2017, Emmanuel's Wish Foundation did many activities in outreach and community development. There is always a great need in the communities around Richmond and we are thankful that we can help in many different ways. This year it was easier to do many of these projects as we now have the Bakkie (pickup truck) to bring us into the community and to do errands. Many of the roads are in bad shape but with the Bakkie we are able to go anywhere.

We started the new school in our breakfast program which means we have 6 schools now with a total of 1240 kids. Each morning before school these children receive breakfast prepared by wonderful women of the community who volunteer their time to cook and serve. Every now and then we give the children some fruit to go with their breakfast which is seasonal. We hope to be able to do this more often in the future. Since we are working with schools we are like family and I was fortunate to be part of the graduation in and out of schools.

We had a wonderful graduation and beach trip with the Siyathemba Crèche kids. Nomonde was a young girl who had been in our care for several years as she has no family to live with. The social worker was finally able to find her a new home which will be much better for her as it is with other children. We were so blessed to have Nomonde and her younger sister on our beach trip too as we are like family to her in the last few years.

In The bridge programme we are so blessed with four boys who are cared for with food, school supplies, and support from our staff as they are living alone at a very young age. One of the boys was doing matric (High school) and he passed which we are all thankful for as the exams are very hard and many children must return to school since they don't pass. We also bought some uniforms for kids who are in need like the boy whose father was killed and for the family who lost everything when their house burnt down.

There are around 80 food parcels that we deliver once per month to families that are in the most need. Many are single mothers, grandparent run houses, or where no one in the family is able to work. In that group is a number of ladies that are part of the Knitters Group. We are helping them learn basic skills like cooking with gas and not fires as they are accustomed, making handmade household necessities, and also being friends to them as they have many struggles in their life. At Christmas we gave kids from the squatter camp and the Knitting Group presents which for some might have been the only one they received.

We had Canadian volunteers come in 2017 to help. In July every year we have a VBS and last year we had 6 volunteers and a great VBS with many kids attend to play and to learn about the bible. They also got gifts on the last day which was very exciting for them. In February and March two teams came from Canada to do a lot of construction at the Guest House and Siyathemba Crèche. We were so blessed to have them here.

In the meantime we are busy preparing our new project which is the library at Phatheni. I have done a presentation to the Chief and his Tribe about why we want to have a library to help the community learn and develop. They are a hundred percent supportive of this project and they have promised to give us land to do it. We are excited for this project and for all the programs to keep going well and growing this next year.



Above: Local school children that are fed each morning



Above: Bible camp location where 300 children attended



Above: Delivering food packages to the community



EWF FINANCES 2017

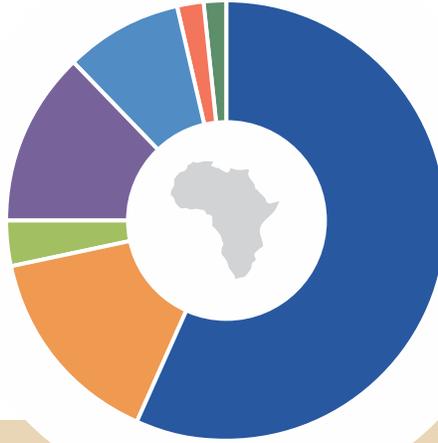
INCOMING

● Monthly Donations	\$51,115.00
● One-Time Donations	\$172,828
● Churches & Charities	\$16,490.02
● Corporations	\$43,107.19
TOTAL	\$283,540.21





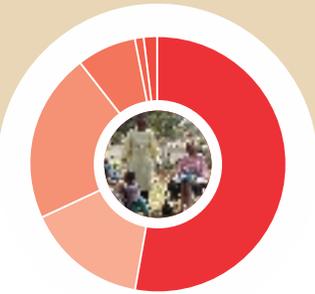
Board Travel & Expenses and Canadian Administration are both fully covered by Board Donations. The short-term team also raises the funds to cover their expenses. So you can be sure that the money you give goes directly to the work in South Africa.



OUTGOING

• Comfort Home	\$131,649.02
• Siyathemba Creche	\$34,503.89
• Board Travel & Expenses	\$7,585.17
• Short-Term Team	\$29,228.22
• Community Outreach	\$20,213.06
• Canadian Administration	\$4,785.00
• Additional SA Expenses	\$3,248.91
TOTAL	\$231,213.27

COMFORT HOME FINANCES



EXPENSES

Comfort Home Staff	\$69,646.78
Utilities and Service	\$19,969.99
Supplies	\$28,457.09
Groceries	\$9,846.33
Medication	\$1,312.15
Maintenance	\$2,416.68

TOTAL \$131,649.02

CHILDREN'S CENTRE

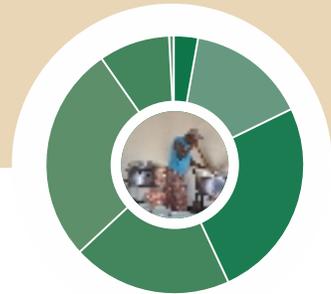


EXPENSES

Staffing	\$17,442.28
Utilities & Services	\$4,166.33
Vehicle	\$6,326.33
Groceries	\$4,780.33
Supplies	\$1,583.45
Maintenance	\$205.19

TOTAL \$34,503.89

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



EXPENSES

Staffing	\$603.70
Vehicle	\$3002.24
Food Parcels	\$5151.25
VBS Program	\$4004.89
Breakfast Program	\$5531.92
Bridge Program	\$1760.24
Misc.	\$158.82

TOTAL \$20,213.06

South African expenses calculated using the average annual exchange rate for 2017 of 1 R - \$0.1027





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