



# Vukukhanye

Community Upliftment Initiatives

HIV/AIDS

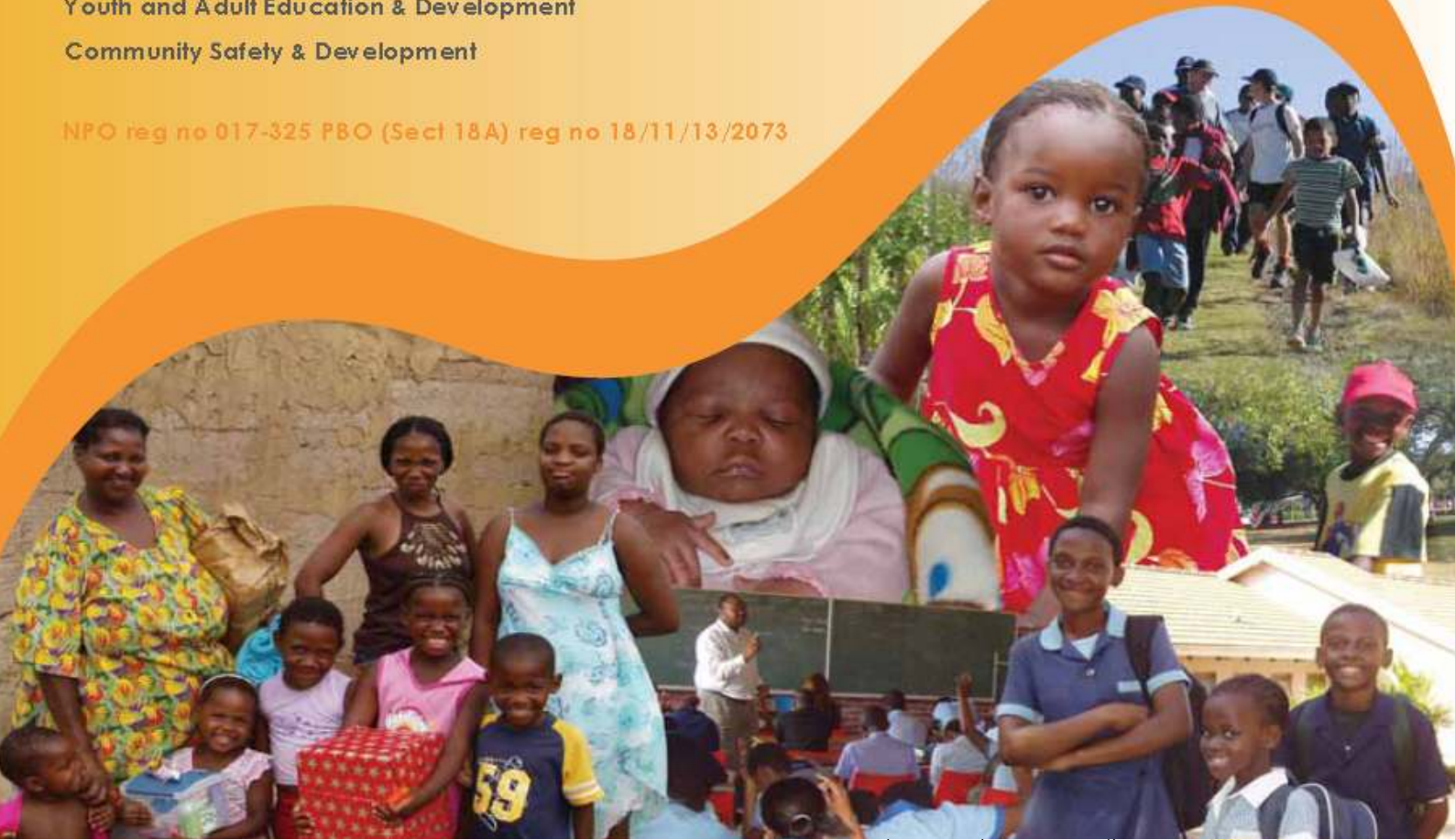
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## Vision

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Vukukhanye is committed to community development through community partnership, leadership development and empowerment. Partnership with government, business and civil society are key priorities.

Vukukhanyes community-based developments are aligned within a broader holistic strategy aimed primarily at the continued and complete upliftment of the community of Chesterville.

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## Registration Status

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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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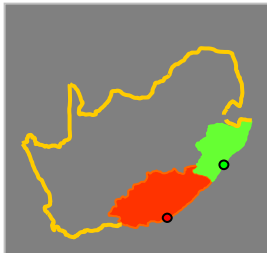


## Background

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Vukukhanye is a registered South African' public benefit organisation, which was formed in 2001 in response to the serious threat to child and family welfare caused by the HIV/AIDS epidemic in South Africa, and particularly the province of KwaZulu-Natal; and in the context of a long-standing relationship (1989 to present) with the historically disadvantaged community of Chesterville, located within the Cato Manor Region of EtheKwini.

Vukukhanye's primary focus from 2001 to 2005 was the care of orphans and vulnerable children, primarily through the operation of a Children's Foster Home, and associated community-based support for vulnerable children. Since 2005 Vukukhanye's objectives have included a broader range of public benefit activities. Initiatives include HIV/AIDS prevention and training, Early Childhood Development, Youth and Adult Education & Development, and other community development programmes; with a particular focus on the community of Chesterville.



## Areas of operation

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Vukukhanye has to date worked primarily in the EtheKwini (Durban) region of KwaZulu-Natal, with Chesterville being the primary target population.

Vukukhanye also provides support to community projects in the Ndlambe region of the Eastern Cape. Vukukhanye's role is largely facilitatory, augmenting initiatives operated by other welfare organizations, such as with Child Welfare SA and the Department of Welfare.

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## 1. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

I have been consistently satisfied and encouraged by the progress made year-on-year since Vukukhanye was established in 2001; however the 2008/9 period has been one of unprecedented growth, which I believe has positioned Vukukhanye to play an even more meaningful role in community development.

A strategic planning session held in June 2008 helped Vukukhanye to discover and define our core values and principles, as well as a more defined long-term strategy which focuses on the continued holistic development of the community of Chesterville. While remaining committed to the operation of the Children's Foster Home in Westville, we embraced a vision which called for more active, strategic interventions at community level, particularly regarding children and the youth.

A number of new projects were initiated. These included the provision of after-school sports coaching, tertiary bursaries and other school support initiatives at Chesterville Secondary School, planning for the establishment of a One-Stop Centre, the scale-up of welfare support and the establishment of street committees in Chesterville. These five new projects were packaged as a holistic 'community safety initiative', which seeks to address not only crime, but also to intervene at the formative stages of the lives of children and youth. Close cooperation with the Chesterville Residents Association was integral to the process.

Thank you very much to our Board members and staff, partners, donors and volunteers. Thank you especially to those donors who invested in the new projects when they were still in their infancy - thank you for the faith you showed. I am very proud of the people that I have the privilege of working alongside and who share a common dedication and commitment to this country, and more importantly to our fellow human beings, particularly the vulnerable. The progress made during the period under review was made possible by the collective efforts and sacrifices of a number of people. We look forward to another year of sustainable growth and making a meaningful contribution to community development.



**Anthony van der Meulen**  
(CEO)

## 2. GOVERNANCE & ADMINISTRATION

### 2.1 Vukukhanye Management Board

Vukukhanyes Board of Management is responsible for governance and strategic direction, as well as ensuring that Vukukhanye is managed in accordance with its Constitution, as approved by the Department of Social Development and the South African Revenue Service.

At a Board meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2008, the following Board changes were made:

- Anthony van der Meulen resigned as chairman but remained on the Board, serving as Chief Executive Officer.
- Craig Coombe, a present Board member, was elected as the new chairman.
- Janine Pepper and Willa Fourie both resigned as Board members, but continued to be actively involved at project level.
- Selvan Pather and Zodwa Khumalo were elected as new Board members.

The following Board members were unchanged:

- Phumlani Ntanz (Deputy Chairperson)
- Brad Leech (Treasurer)
- Michael van der Meulen

<b>VUKUKHANYE BOARD</b>			
<b>At 17 April 2008</b>		<b>Post 17 April 2008</b>	
Anthony van der Meulen	Chairman	Craig Coombe	Chairman
Phumlani Ntanz	Deputy Chairman	Phumlani Ntanz	Deputy Chairman
Brad Leech	Treasurer	Brad Leech	Treasurer
Craig Coombe	Member	Michael van der Meulen	Member
Michael van der Meulen	Member	Zodwa Khumalo	Member
Janine Pepper	Member	Selvan Pather	Member
Willa Fourie	Member	Anthony van der Meulen	Chief Executive Officer

### 2.2 Financial Records

Vukukhanyes accounts are managed on a day-to-day basis and submitted quarterly to 'Peter Cottrell Business Support', who prepare quarterly management accounts; as well as managing the creation of Section 18A donation tax receipts. Vukukhanye transitioned from internet banking to Business Online Banking.

Baker-Tilly Morrison Murray manage Vukukhanyes payroll and audited Vukukhanyes financial statements for the year-ending 28 February 2009.

## 2.3 Staff

Vukukhanye employed seven staff members during 2008/9:

POSITION	NAME	FULL/PART-TIME
CEO	Anthony van der Meulen	Full-time
Administrator	Kate van der Meulen	Full-time
Social Worker	Janine Pepper	Full-time (as of November 2008)
Eastern Cape Area Manager	Jenny van der Meulen	Full-time
House-Parent (Foster Home)	Tryphina Mhlanzi	Full-time
Domestic Worker (Foster Home)	Irene Ndimande	Full-time
Donor Liaison (Community Safety)	Joan Young	Part-time (as of August 2008)

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.

## 2.4 Volunteers

The ongoing operation of Vukukhanye, and in particular the Westville Foster Home, is largely thanks to voluntary support from various individuals, churches and organisations in the Westville/Durban area. Volunteers are integral to the operation of all projects and assist with duties such as transport, collections, medical supervision and care, homework and school support, repairs and maintenance, counselling, entertainment, child-minding, domestic help, outings for the children, and the provision of resources etc. To mention a few: Woolworths Bulwer Road continues to supply weekly 'waste' food, and Cygnet Pre-Primary collects food on a weekly basis. The Westville Rotary Club, Westville Rotary Anns, St. Elizabeth's Church, St. Martin's Church, Westville Christian Fellowship, as well as some friends overseas are a consistent source of support. The project teams are greatly strengthened by the services of volunteers and members of the Chesterville Residents Association who played a vital role in the planning and implementation of new projects towards the end of 2008, such as Sport for All, the Bursary and School Partnership projects, One-Stop and Welfare projects, and the implementation of street committees.



### 3. PROJECTS

#### Overview of projects

##### Primary projects since formation:

Vukukhanyes activities since 2001 have included the care of orphans and vulnerable children, primarily through the operation of a Children's Foster Home, community-based child and caregiver support, HIV/AIDS training, as well as the support of preschools in Chesterville.

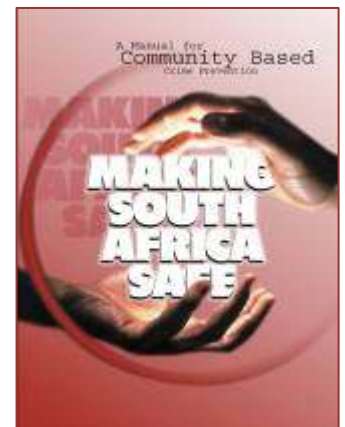
- 1) Children's Foster Home & other OVC support
- 2) HIV/AIDS Training
- 3) Early Childhood Development - Support of Preschools

##### New/scale-up projects (Community Safety Initiative):

In July 2008 Vukukhanye expanded its objectives to include 5 new projects, which formed part of a Community Safety Initiative aimed at the continued holistic development of the community of Chesterville. These included:

- 1) A Tertiary Education Bursary Project
- 2) A School Partnership Project
- 3) An After-School Sport Project (Sport For All)
- 4) A One-Stop Crisis Centre and associated community welfare support, and
- 5) The establishment of Street Committees in Chesterville

This Community Safety Initiative is based on a document commissioned by the South African Government and compiled by the National Crime Prevention Centre (SAPS), the CSIR Crime Prevention Centre and the Institute for Security Studies entitled "A Manual for Community Based Crime Prevention – Making South Africa Safe" (2000). It is an example of good policies and frameworks which if implemented effectively could produce favourable crime prevention outcomes. The approach makes use of international best practice, which includes the key principles of 'prevention', 'teamwork' and a 'holistic approach'. The strategy for Chesterville seeks to intervene at the 'social', 'environmental' and 'law enforcement' levels; as well as manage the three basic elements of a crime, namely: the victim/potential victim, the offender/potential offender and the environment.



By the end of the period under review, implementation of each of these projects had commenced to varying degrees. Progress is summarised below.

## 3.1 Orphans & Vulnerable Children

### 3.1.1 Westville Foster Home

#### General



This Home, situated near the border of Westville and Chesterville, was established in 2001 to provide a source of care for orphans and vulnerable children, particularly in response to the HIV epidemic in KwaZulu-Natal.

The aim is to provide vulnerable children with a stable home environment and associated services (education, nutrition, legal, financial, psychological, health etc.) in order to help them grow up to be healthy, educated, socially well-adjusted adults. The children are cared for by a full-time foster-mother (Tryphina) who receives daily assistance with domestic work from Irene.

Placement of the children at the Home, as well as transition of children into alternate long-term care is overseen by social workers, including Vukukhanyes social worker Janine Pepper. We have continued to co-operate with institutions such as Durban Children's Society, The Department of Welfare and Christian Social Services.

#### Children in care since 2001

Destination of Children 2002-2009	
In care at Foster Home	7
Transitioned to care by family	18
Adoption	1
Foster Care	6
Children's Home / Other Institution	15
Living independently	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>49</b>

Since its inception in late 2001, a total of 49 children have been cared for in the Home and 7 children were in care at 28 February 2009 (**Table 1**).

**Table 1: Destination of children cared for at Foster Home (2001 to 28/02/2009)**

It is intended that wherever possible children be reintegrated into their family/community or placed with foster/adoptive 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.

#### Children cared for during 2008/9

During the 2008/9 period, 14 children were cared for at the Foster Home (**Table 2**).

Children cared for 2008/9	
Ongoing, long-term care <sup>1</sup>	9
House-Parent's daughter <sup>2</sup>	1
Short-term care (Dept. of Welfare) <sup>3</sup>	2
Short-term family care <sup>4</sup>	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>

1. Thabile, Nompilo, Sanele, Thobekile, Thanda, Mtkoko, Sli, Mloni, Mxolisi
2. Tracy
3. Phindile, Bongumusa
4. Mbali, Celukthula – siblings hosted during holidays

**Table 2: Children cared for at Foster Home (01/03/2008-28/02/2009)**

## Educational Support (School)

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 potential. At the same time we are mindful that basic foundations are often not entrenched due to missed or inadequate schooling. We are grateful for the partnership we have received in facilitating quality education, whether through the investment of time and energy or financial support. The number of volunteers helping the children with homework on a regular basis is very encouraging. An additional, sponsored tutor who is fluent in isiZulu and has a number of years tutoring experience has been helping the older children.

All children of school going age are enrolled in local schools. Expenditure on school education (fees and associated needs) during the 2008/9 period amounted to R57,140.

<b>Children's Foster Home (Westville)</b>		
<b>Pre-school education</b>		
1. Bamba Izandla Pre-Primary	Mxolisi	Grade 00 (08)
2. Berea West Pre-Primary	Mxolisi	Grade 00 (09)
3. Berea West Pre-Primary	Mlondi	Grade R (08)
<b>Primary School Education</b>		
4. Berea West Junior Primary	Mlondi	Grade 1 (08)
5. Berea West Junior Primary	Tracy	Grade 3 (08)
6. Berea West Senior Primary	Tracy	Grade 4 (09)
7. Browns School	Sli	Grade 3, 4 (08,09)
8. Mayville Primary School	Thanda	Grade 7 (08)
9. Mayville Primary School	Mthoko	Grade 7 (08)
<b>Secondary (High) School Education</b>		
10. Mayville Secondary School	Thanda	Grade 8 (09)
11. Mayville Secondary School	Mthoko	Grade 8 (09)
12. Mayville Secondary School	Sanele	Grade 11,12 (08,09)
13. Mayville Secondary School	Thobekile	Grade 9 (08)

**Table 3: Children's school enrollment (03/2008-02/2009)**

## Repairs & Maintenance

The 'Paw Paw Foundation' sponsored an extensive painting and upgrade project, which has made a tremendous difference – the entire house was painted (inside and out), a new sewer line installed, the kitchen enlarged and tiled, the kitchenette was stripped and converted into a bedroom; as well as various other repairs, tiling etc.

Other upgrades that have taken place were completing the installation of burglar guards throughout the house and the installation of a donated front driveway gate.



Vukukhanye again hosted a "Soul Action" Team of 10 volunteers from England, who worked at the Home for two weeks in July doing repairs and maintenance, gardening and teaching.

### 3.1.2 Follow Up Support

Vukukhanye continues to provide follow-up support for the children who leave the Home as well as their caregivers where needed. This takes the form of helping to link the caregiver with social welfare and other support structures, assistance with food & infant formula until government grants are secured, helping children enroll in schools and assistance with school expenses.

We have maintained close contact with the sisters Nosibusiso and Olwethu who have been fostered by their aunt in Chesterville, with Sindi and her foster mother Maureen from Malukazi (Isipingo), Bongumusa at Lily of the Valley and Ncami & Lwandile.

Nompilo and Thabile who moved out of the home into independent living also receive periodic support where necessary.

## 3.2 Early Childhood Development



### 3.2.1 Bamba Izandla Preschool

Vukukhanye has a long association with the Bamba Izandla Preschool, which was established in 1989 and presently enrolls forty children (aged 2-6). Vukukhanye is in the process of raising funds towards the construction of a new school building, and has so far secured some funding from the DT Hudson Charitable Trust, as well as a matching grant through the Westville and Lake Murray (USA) Rotary Clubs to fund equipment, furniture, teaching resources and toilets at the new school. In 2008/9 Vukukhanye supported the school with teaching resources and helped at the school's annual year-end graduation/Christmas Party in December 2008.

### 3.2.2 Chesterville Preschool Network

In 2008 Vukukhanye established a Preschool Network of 7 preschools in the Chesterville area (Bamba Izandla, Sicheluthando Educare Centre, Ekuthuleni Educare Centre, Mazenod, Zamokuhle, St Barnabas and Nobantwana). The main aim of this network is to provide training and support of staff, equip the schools for creative play and learning and facilitate adequate resources for curriculum development. The first meeting took place in 2008 and was followed by a sharing morning at Berea Primary School. Schools such as Cygnet and Saturn Pre-Primary Schools have continued to assist with the donation of classroom furniture which will be distributed according to the needs from the Preschool Network.

## 3.3 After-School Sport (Sport For All)



### 3.3.1 The Sport For All Model & the vision for Chesterville

Sport For All Franchising (Pty) Ltd is South Africa's first social franchise, which is devoted to community development in previously disadvantaged areas. Vukukhanye decided to pursue the implementation of the Sport For All model in Chesterville as it has been tested in a number of similar communities in South Africa (e.g. Katlehong & Palmridge). The model also includes life-skills training, creates employment for local coaches and is largely self-sustaining due to the R30 per month membership fee as well as a built-in fund which sponsors orphans and vulnerable children.

Community stakeholders in Chesterville such as schools, local coaches, the Chesterville Residents Association and the ward councilor were in support of the initiative, which would augment existing sport's programmes and make sport available to a larger proportion of the school-going youth within Chesterville.

The overall aim of the project is to “keep children off the street” i.e. to use sport as developmental tool by providing formal sports coaching with life-skills training in a trusted, safe environment and in this way contribute to youth development, crime prevention and the development of sporting talent within the school-going youth of Chesterville.



The Sport For All Franchise consists of a complete Franchise Management Programme (that focuses on creating a self-sustaining business), a world-class drill-based **coaching system**, a smartcard based **player management system**, a complete inventory of sports **equipment**, uniforms and kit, all **marketing material** required to advertise the franchise and enlist membership, a 20-foot branded **container** used to store sports equipment (including a small classroom for training), **stationery** (including membership and indemnity forms) and ongoing **training** and support.

### 3.3.2 Summary of progress

Negotiations and planning to implement the Sport For All model in Chesterville started towards the end of 2008, which led to the approval of Vukukhanye as ‘Franchisee’ for Chesterville. In collaboration with the Chesterville Residents Association, two franchise operators from Chesterville were identified, who are responsible for the implementation of the project but receive ongoing support from Sport For All, Vukukhanye and the Chesterville Residents Association. Mandla Mchunu and Mandla Sithole completed an intensive 1 week training course in Johannesburg in October 2008. This included practical experience at existing Sport For All projects and the formulation of a marketing strategy for Chesterville. An Operations Manager, Sipiwe Qwabe provides management support to the franchise operators. A pool of local coaches were identified and trained.



The Chesterville Team (Mandla, Sipiwe & Mandla) with Trevor Locker (CEO of Sport For All) after completing the training course.

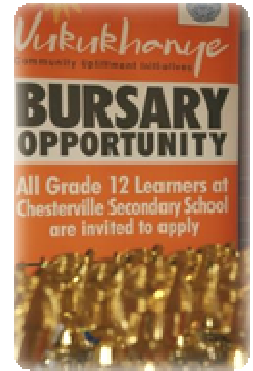
The Sport For All container (with sports kit and equipment) was transported from Johannesburg (thanks to Container Conversions) in time for the official launch of the project on Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2008 at the Chesterville Sport's Ground.

At the end of February 2009 nearly 100 children were attending coaching each day after school. Formal registration of those children, as well as the set up of the electronic smart-card based management system was in progress. A number of sporting codes are offered and participation across a number of codes by each child is encouraged. These include soccer, cricket, netball, basketball, cricket, hockey, rugby & drum majorettes. More sports, such as swimming, indigenous games, golf and athletics may be added over time.



### 3.4 Bursary Project

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August 2008 the Bursary Project was launched at Chesterville Secondary School. The goal was to advertise the bursary on an annual basis in Chesterville Secondary School and to provide two new tertiary bursaries per year for 5 years, starting in 2009. The bursary, for full-time or part-time study in a field of the bursars choice, includes tuition fees and mentoring. The main aim of this project is to motivate the senior learner body, reward achievement and facilitate tertiary education for deserving, disadvantaged learners.



The Grade 12 class of 2008 was invited to apply and eleven application forms were received. These were reviewed by a panel who selected two candidates based on the quality of their applications (including their academic history and a letter of motivation) as well as input from the educators from Chesterville Secondary School. The first two successful candidates, Philile Mafu and Samukelo Phosile, were announced at the schools annual prize giving on the 17<sup>th</sup> of October 2008. Mentors were assigned to the bursars to provide support, monitor progress and assist them in the process of applying for tertiary study. Career guidance counseling was also provided.



**Bursary Recipients:**  
Philile and Samukelo, with the school principal Mr. Shabalala



Philile, whose fees were sponsored by The Victor Daitz Foundation, registered at the ICESA Matric School in order to repeat Grade 12 Maths and Physical Science. Philile has also received extra Maths tuition to help improve her marks to enable her to qualify to study Dietetics or Food Technology in 2010. Samukelo enrolled for a comprehensive computer literacy course through UNISA and will be studying Public Relations in 2009/10.

### 3.5 School Partnership Project

#### 3.5.1 Aims

The school partnership project was implemented to facilitate the transformation of Chesterville schools, starting with Chesterville Secondary school, into models of excellence by instilling a clear vision and code of ethics, sound governance, skilled and inspiring educators, a disciplined and motivated learner body who take pride in their school, and a school facility that is well equipped and conducive to providing quality education.

The objectives of this project are:

- **Maintenance of the school buildings & property.** To create an environment conducive to learning including security, grounds maintenance, school building repair.
- **Classroom & teaching facility upgrades & equipping.** To help resource the school with equipment and teaching aids necessary for each subject provided e.g. computers/IT, hospitality & catering, staff room.
- **Support & transfer of skills to the Principal, Governing Body & Management Team**
- **Facilitate catalyst projects to spark vision & enthusiasm.** Identify and implement projects and programmes that educate, enthuse and envision learners and educators.
- **Encourage & support incentives & rewards for performance (e.g. annual prizegiving).** Create a culture of hard work and excellence among learners and educators by providing incentives and rewards for effort and performance.

### 3.5.2 Summary of Progress

#### Computer Room Upgrade

This priority project was started in November 2008, and phase 1 was completed in March 2009. A suitable classroom was identified and secured, 20 computers were donated to Chesterville Extension Secondary as part of the Mr. Price's 'Compstart' Project. The room was painted by a work-party from Investec, with materials donated by Shave Paints. Granite work surfaces were then installed (February 2009) and African Areté set up the computers with the required software. The room is now fully functional, with plans to provide further improvements as part of phase 2 of this project.



#### Dreambuilders Institute

Vukukhanye facilitated a partnership between Chesterville Secondary School and 'The Dreambuilders Institute'. Their tested 3-year programme focuses on releasing the potential of high school children, as well as challenging and facilitating change in the school environment through working with the principal and educators. Dreambuilders began implementing the programme, in tandem with the Life Orientation educators in 2009 - initially the Grade 8 classes will be targeted, in 2010 Grades 8 & 9, and in 2011 Grades 8-10.



#### Annual Prizegiving

Vukukhanye was privileged to be involved in Chesterville Secondary Schools' first ever formal prizegiving ceremony, which was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of October 2008. Trophies and certificates were presented to the top achievers of each grade, as well as to children who excelled in a particular field, such as debating. Teachers, who set an example, had achieved a 100% pass rate among learners in their class, or were making a significant contribution in the community were also awarded certificates in recognition of their efforts.



This was the start of a tradition of annual prizegiving ceremonies, which we trust will add significantly to the goal of creating a culture of excellence at this school - among learners and educators alike.

The schools' Grade 12 pass rate improved significantly i.e. from 47% in 2007 to 70% in 2008. Consequently the school was awarded the "Annual Mayoral Matric Award 2008" (Ethekekwini Region) for the "Most Improved School". Congratulations.

## 3.6 Community Welfare Support

### 3.6.1 Scale-up of welfare support in Chesterville

In 2008 Vukukhanye expanded its community welfare support in Chesterville, working closely with the Chesterville Residents Association, Highway Hospice, Durban Children's Society, Department of Welfare, Department of Health (including local Municipal Clinic staff and supervisors), the South African Police Services, other NGOs operating in the Cato Manor area, The Westville Rotary Club, as well as experienced individuals, businesses and others who were willing to support the initiative.



Janine Pepper, Vukukhanye's full-time social worker, facilitated the training and supervision of 10 community workers, who started field-work in Chesterville in October 2008. These community workers conducted home visits gathering information from over 400 families by completing family contact forms. This information is being used to create a database of social needs, and has facilitated direct intervention, follow-up and referrals as needed. This has included cases of orphans & vulnerable children (child abuse and neglect, child-headed households, school registrations & waiving of fees), poverty and unemployment, identity document issues, referrals to Home Affairs, and assistance with foster care grant applications. The community workers received training on the counselling of children, food security, types of grants available and requirements needed to access them. Health-related cases (ill and disabled) have been referred to the Highway Hospice or other appropriate organizations.

The community workers were able to distribute 180 blankets, 50 food parcels, stationery and 100 toys donated by Edgars Pavilion, The Westville Rotary Club, Rotary Anns, East Coast Radio and the Starfish Greathearts Foundation between August and December 2008.

Janine also formalized the cooperation and relationships with all Chesterville stakeholders, including the establishment of a Welfare Forum and a Church network forum.



### 3.6.2 Chesterville Satellite Hospice

Vukukhanye continued to work closely with the Chesterville Satellite Hospice, a project of Highway Hospice. A nurse and community workers provide those infected/affected by HIV/AIDS and other illnesses with home-based care, nursing and counselling support, as well as meals at the Day-Centre, and an opportunity to sew and engage in other craft activities. Vukukhanye, Highway Hospice and The Chesterville Residents Association are working on plans to expand the days of operation of the Day-Centre from 2 to 5 days per week.

### 3.7 One-Stop Centre

In light of the high prevalence of rape and abuse, a multi-disciplinary team was established to pursue the establishment of a 'One-Stop Centre' in Chesterville. The aim of the One Stop Centre is to provide a 'victim-friendly' facility, along with appropriately trained staff and volunteers, which will serve the social needs of the community of Chesterville, with a particular focus on rape, domestic violence, child abuse, HIV/AIDS, TB & other diseases, orphans and vulnerable children and vulnerable families.



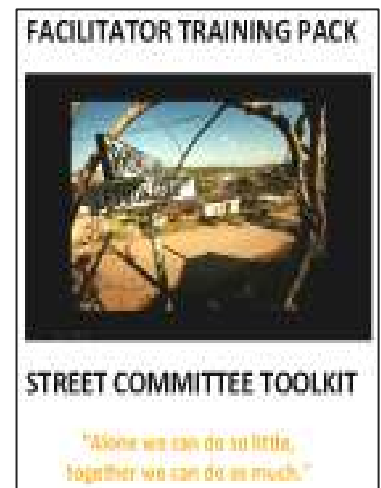
An existing building adjacent to the Chesterville Municipal Clinic, Road 3, Chesterville has been identified as an ideal venue for the One Stop Centre, given its centrality, the number of rooms, and its close proximity to the Chesterville Municipal & Provincial clinics. It was decided to follow the model of a 'Forensic Pathology Service Unit' aligned with the existing Thuthuzela Care Centre, Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital, Umlazi. This Centre will provide a source of support and counseling, as well as facilitate proper evidence collection and follow-up, for survivors of rape, domestic violence and child abuse. It is also intended that the FPS Unit include a satellite police station as the distance to the Cato Manor and Westville Police Stations are a significant barrier to proper reporting and response to crime in the area. The services will be phased-in depending on the need in the community and the availability of resources/personnel.

This project is still in its planning phase. 'As-built' plans of the building, as well as plans for the conversion of two offices in the left wing to ladies and gents toilets were completed pro-bono by Kaye & Kussial Architectural Consultants.

### 3.8 Street Committees

#### 3.8.1 Background & Aims

Forming part of the broader Chesterville community Safety Initiative is the drive to resuscitate Street Committees in Chesterville. The aim is to facilitate the formation of committees of street residents who cooperate to prevent and follow-up on crime. Close cooperation with the South African Police Services, relevant government departments and other stakeholders, as well as with local business is integral to the process. It is also intended to facilitate the necessary training and administration to help these committees function more effectively. Implementation in Chesterville is largely the responsibility of the Chesterville Residents Association, with Vukukhanye providing logistical and organisational support. It is intended to establish a central office in Chesterville, from which the day-to-day management of Street Committees can be conducted.



Facilitator training (November 2008)

A communication and training specialist was co-opted to formulate training materials and guidelines which will guide the implementation process. These included a 'Facilitators Training Pack', 'Community Meeting Toolkit', 'Street Meeting Toolkit' and 'Induction Training Materials'. A legislative review was conducted and a "Street Committee Policies & Procedures Manual" drafted. A Street Committee Brochure has also been designed, to be used as a communication & education tool. Ten Street Committee Facilitators were trained and assisted with monitoring during the busy December/January period.

### 3.8.2 Pavilion-Chesterville Partnership

During the December/January holidays, two Chesterville residents were appointed as "Community Liaison Officers" to work alongside security personnel at the Pavilion shopping Centre. This was part of the growing partnership between the Pavilion, Chesterville and Vukukhanye - to help improve safety and security at the Pavilion, as well as protect Chesterville residents (many of whom are Pavilion staff) particularly when walking between the Pavilion and Chesterville.

The following comment from Lynette Ntuli (Pavilion Manager) sums up the success of the intervention: *"The partnership was very successful, especially in such a busy period. I feel the most significant aspect of the liaison was that it was apparent to all that we had created links in the community and these were beneficial both ways. The officers were part of the JOC team and they played their part where called upon to assist in the matters they were drawn into. Another significant mention is that we had no (major) incidents on the Chesterville path reported to us. The collaboration between Security, JOC members and the Safer Cities volunteers meant there was constant monitoring in that area. This is the type of net result I certainly hoped to see and would like to continue to see."*

Procedures have also been put in place to deal with child offenders found misbehaving or shoplifting at the Pavilion. Such children, who live in Chesterville, are referred to community leaders who follow up on the case with the children's parents/caregivers. This approach has been implemented since December 2008 and has proved very successful.

## 4. COMMUNICATION

Vukukhanye is fortunate to have partnered with accomplished documentary photographer Matthew Willman, who is assisting with creating a record of the process being followed in Chesterville. Besides photo shoots, Matthew has created two documentary DVD case-studies on the lives of Chesterville residents, which can serve as an example and encouragement to others. One case-study focuses on renowned boxer Dingaan Mahlasela, and the other on a man who is rebuilding his life after spending a number of years in the Westville Prison.



Communication is important to the sustainability of all projects. Vukukhanye seeks to improve the effectiveness of its communication to its partners and to the general public. Efforts in this regard include the website ([www.vukukhanye.org](http://www.vukukhanye.org)), regular newsletters, periodic public meetings, special events and communication via the media.

## **5. SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT**

### **5.1 Focus on Ithemba**

The year under review has been both interesting and challenging. I continued to work part time for Focus on iThemba, providing supportive services to the Foster Homes. It was also a busy time in assisting in the screening of new parents for a new home as well as the screening and placement of children into the existing homes. During this time I was privileged to attend a two-day workshop in Johannesburg on Cluster Foster Care, organized by the National Department of Social Development. Ithemba was invited from KZN as an example of a best practice model for cluster foster care. It is important that this model is recognized as it is one of the only models in the country where a married couple take care of children. It was a good opportunity for networking as well as learning how cluster foster care fits into the new Child Care Act. Cluster foster care is relevant to the Westville Foster Home as well as any homes we may start (or advise) in the future. At present we are still working under the old system of 6 children under 1 foster parent. The new Act will enable registered church and community based NPOs to run several homes, with house mothers/parents, where the children will be placed through court with the organization and the organization will place the children with the house mothers/parents and be responsible for all supervision. This will benefit the children and organization as funding and grants will be far more accessible.

In August 2008 my contract with Ithemba was up for renewal. Some tough decisions had to be made as both Ithemba and Vukukhanye were growing and required the services of a full time social worker and it was getting difficult to juggle both. Sadly I had to reduce the hours at Ithemba and phase-out the work and by December was full time with Vukukhanye.

### **5.2 Durban Children's Society**

Durban Children's Society requested the assistance of a part time social worker on a short term contract basis for a few weeks from March 2008 at their Newlands East offices. It was agreed to do the work, which was also an opportunity to network with Durban Children's Society (now known as Child Welfare Durban & District). I assisted them 1½ days a week during March & April 2008.

### **5.3 Vukukhanye**

#### Westville Foster Home

Thanks to Kate and her great organizational skills as well as the team of Simon and Sue Barff and Zodwa Khumalo, the home itself has run quite smoothly and I was able to focus on the placement of children and their follow up once they left the Home.

A young orphan, Bongumusa stayed with us for several weeks and was placed at Lily of the Valley by Christian Social Services. He is thriving in his current placement where he is on ARV's and attending school regularly. We have continued to facilitate holiday placements with his grandmother and provided food for the family when he visits at home.

Lwandile was placed at the Home for several months as his mother had been placed at School of Industries by the Department of Welfare. He was then moved to his grandparents care in Molweni. Vukukhanye assisted the family with food and formula whilst Department of Welfare screened the family as prospective foster parents. In June 2008 Tryphina organized for the younger children to visit the family to celebrate Lwandile's 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday. We had a great time and he loved his cake and presents. Lwandile's placement with his grandparents did not work out due to several family issues that we were unable to resolve. As a result his mother chose to leave school and take Lwandile with her to Johannesburg and try to start a new life at the end of 2008. Lwandile's mother continued to have contact with us as we continued to be her only consistent support base. Most of Lwandile's time in Johannesburg has been in shelters where he and his mother have been staying. His mother saved up her money and returned to Durban recently where she has requested assistance in placing Lwandile in Foster care as she has no accommodation and no means to support him at present.

Zama is another young orphan who required assistance. We facilitated his placement at Hillcrest High School and paid his school fees as part of the then Bursary Fund and attended parent/teacher meetings at his grandmother's request. He had a challenging year as he had to take on two new subjects in his Grade 12 year. Private funders assisted with payment of extra lessons and proper accommodation was secured during his final exams to assist him with his studies. We are proud to say that he passed Grade 12 and is registered to study social work at UKZN in 2010. Unfortunately he could not study this year as the Education Department mixed up two of his subjects and the results only came quite late into the year. Zama is also a talented young gymnast that was selected to represent KZN at Nationals. Testimony to this young man is that he won several awards at the school including best newcomer to the school (as voted by his peers) as well as receiving a trophy for excelling in a sport not offered by the school.

A young mentally challenged child from Chesterville was placed at the Home during December 2008. She was then moved to Umlazi Place of Safety where her social workers were located and the matter was transferred for follow up.

Thobekile was placed at Pregnancy Crisis Centre at the end of 2008 and I continued to work closely with Judy McNaughton in her ongoing support and subsequent birth of her baby. Judy has been invaluable in the emotional support she has provided this young lady.

### Church Forum

Vukukhanyes desire is to share resources and empower and assist other organizations wherever possible. There is clearly a need for more social workers in the private sector as we regularly receive calls from various churches and organizations seeking social work assistance. After meeting with most of these church organizations on a one-on-one basis I realized that many of the issues were similar. Some organizations were starting off and others were well established but had a bumpy road getting there. I felt it would be great for all these organizations to get together in order to share resources, ideas, expertise etc. as well as to serve as a support system to each other. This passion was shared by the Westville Baptist Church and we jointly agreed to run with the forum. We try meet every quarter and to date have had 3 meetings. The forum consists of several Highway churches and Christian individuals running NPO's. The main focus to date has been the geographical mapping of the churches/organizations as well as the mapping of the types of work/ministries provided and for each church/organization to share on the work they are doing in the communities. Difficulties and problems encountered are shared and the forum provides a great opportunity for networking.

One of the main issues highlighted is the need for social auxiliary workers and for the present volunteers in the organisations to be trained in social auxiliary work. This requires an accredited course as well as supervision by qualified social workers. The forum is looking into the various opportunities and seeking to source funding for the training of volunteers.

I continued to work closely with Kloof Harvest, His Church (Transformation Marianridge & Pearl of Price) and Victory Faith Centre (now Redemption Point) on an advisory capacity in setting up cluster foster care homes, as well as a home for women from backgrounds of prostitution, as well as linking them to the appropriate welfare organizations in their areas of operation.

I also assisted the churches with some individual cases such as the placement of children and linking them to the appropriate resources for follow up.

I was approached by attorneys to be an independent consultant on an adoption case, which has taken over a year to reach finalization.

## Community Work – Chesterville

Due to my availability only being part time up to December 2008 much of the work in Chesterville was done on an ad-hoc basis where crisis cases were attended to. Most of these cases were referred by Highway Hospice and involved facilitating the placement of children and putting the families in touch with the right resources. On average 2 to 3 cases were dealt with per month up to October 2008.

I also had several meetings with Child Welfare (Durban and District) and the Department of Social Development as the main welfare organizations in the community in order to network and establish a working relationship them.

In October 2008 the Chesterville Residents Association (CRA) provided Vukukhanye with ten workers to do community health work. I supervised the workers, who visited families in Chesterville in order to establish a database of the types of needs/problems experienced in the community. The purpose of the database would be to provide a platform for planning appropriate intervention in the community. Over several weeks I trained the workers in completing in-depth Family Contact forms which included information such as the number of people living in house, ages occupation, schooling, employment, those accessing grants and social services, type of housing, electricity, water etc., and the types of problems they were experiencing e.g. orphans, HIV, poverty, unemployment, accessing ID's, social grants etc. The mandate was to try to identify orphaned and vulnerable children, child-headed households and those suffering with terminal illnesses. For the period under review approximately 400 families were interviewed.

I have had to check each form individually to understand the nature of each case and identify any urgent cases. I met with the workers on a weekly basis to discuss the forms and how to handle the cases. In some cases home visits were required or appointments made to interview the families. The families are further divided into categories such as orphans & child-headed households, poverty & unemployment, ID and grant issues and the terminally ill. The main purpose is to identify which families are accessing resources and to refer those families that aren't to the appropriate resources. In so doing we avoid duplication of services to families by different organizations and are able to stretch resources further and are thus able to assist and empower far more families. We are trying to fill the gap between formal welfare and the community by rendering services that the formal organizations do not have the capacity to render.

Part of our strategy for Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVCs) has been to provide families with material support e.g. food and clothing, whilst rendering assistance with accessing grants. Unfortunately this is hugely dependant on the availability of funding which has been very scarce for the period under review.

Much time has been spent on things that do not require funding but can still assist the community such as sending letters to schools waiving school fees, assisting with ID and birth certificate applications in order for families to be able to access social grants and referring for Foster Care applications. Many families have been waiting several months to years to access these grants. Unfortunately the process is slow as much of the work requires a social worker or auxiliary social worker to address all the needs. I have been dealing with one case at a time – as the saying goes – 'you eat an elephant one mouthful at a time'.

The community workers have also received training from various organizations on HIV/AIDS counseling, counseling children, food security etc. This training has continued in 2009 and despite the contracts coming to an end in May 2009 we have continued to secure funding for ongoing training.

## Welfare Forum

As a result of the problems identified and networking with the formal welfare sector a need for a Welfare Forum in Chesterville was identified. This was sanctioned by the Cato Manor ABM (Area Based Management Office) and the Department of Social Development. Although the Forum was officially launched in April 2009 a lot of the networking and groundwork with the different organizations took place in 2008. Organisations included in the forum are Department of Social Development, Child Welfare (Durban & District), Highway Hospice, Khulisa, APD (Association for the Physically Disabled), Durban & Coastal Mental Health, SANCA, FAMSA, Muthande Society for the Aged, Ngilonde and the local schools and Department of Health.

Other Forums attended:

KPACC – KZN Office of the Premier on the rights of the child. This forum forms part of a National Forum. Two meetings were attended during this period as well as a capacity building workshop. The Forum is useful for purposes of networking and keeping up to date with relevant issues affecting children and how they can be addressed.

Cato Manor Area Based Management (ABM) HIV/AIDS Forum. I represent Vukukhanye at this forum where all organisations dealing with HIV/AIDS working in the greater Cato Manor area meet on a monthly basis.

## One Stop Crisis Centre

This project has been in the planning stages for the whole of the period under review and I am part of the planning committee. From a social work perspective I will be involved in facilitating the psycho-socio support component of the centre and hope that this will ultimately be able to provide a venue for all the formal welfare organizations to operate from, and in so doing provide a holistic and comprehensive one-stop welfare service to the community.

## Early Childhood Development (ECD)

I attended a two day conference in January 2009 on ECD organized by UNICEF. This conference highlighted the need for quality educare centres to prepare children for school. The conference highlighted the lack of training and supervision of staff as well as issues such as salaries etc.

Towards the end of 2008 we called a meeting with the various Chesterville ECD's we've been involved with over the years, with some Grade R teachers from various Durban schools that were willing to share their time and resources. This meeting was very fruitful with an ongoing relationship being developed. Fortunately this has been taken on board very enthusiastically by Kate.

From the social work side for 2009/2010 I would like to work more closely with the Centres in identifying the OVC's and following up on the families as well as running some parenting programmes.

## 5.4 Going Forward

Almost all the families in Chesterville to some degree can fall under the Orphans and Vulnerable children sector and overlap in all of Vukukhanye's projects. There are OVC's in the schools we partner with, OVC's in Sport For All, OVC's in Health and Welfare, OVC's identified by street committees etc.

All children in South Africa are vulnerable today not just the orphans. Whether it be poverty & unemployment, HIV/AIDS, alcohol and drugs, domestic violence, rape, child abuse etc. I would like to focus on the Welfare Forum running effectively and ensure that all cases are dealt with swiftly and appropriately by the relevant organizations.

I would also like to see us planning to go one step further than just meeting and helping to meet the basic needs of the families, by offering support such as parenting/caregiving courses and support groups to help restore values in the community and help each member of the community take and accept responsibility for themselves and their family. Not just to those deemed poor, ill or marginalized but those that are doing the best they can but require emotional support.

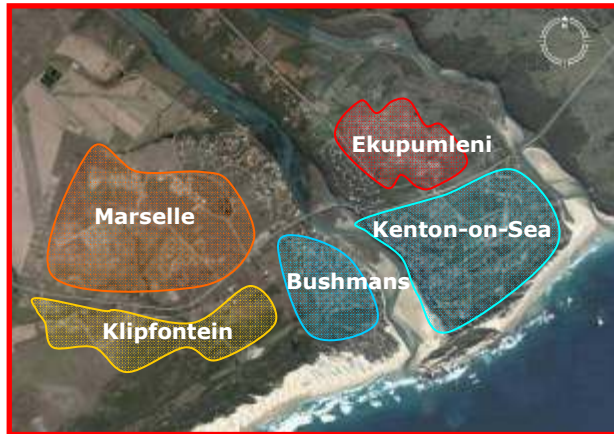
This once again requires funding as we are stretched to the limits in our current capacity but there is no harm in thinking big!!!



**Janine Pepper**

(Social Worker)

## 6. EASTERN CAPE REGION



Ndlambe (Eastern Cape)

### 6.1 Vukukhanye Eastern Cape: 2008/9

Since 2005 Vukukhanye has provided management and governance support to a number of community development projects in the Ndlambe Region of the Eastern Cape (Bushmansriver mouth, Ekuphumleni, Harmony Park/Klipfontein, Kenton-on-Sea and Marselle). These projects are the result of close collaboration with local welfare organizations e.g. Child Welfare SA Kenton/Bushmans, Thokomala, local government, community leaders and business.

Community-based projects include the care of orphans and vulnerable children, crèche/pre-school development and support, support for those affected/infected by HIV/AIDS, community advice services, counselling, assistance with social welfare grant applications and job-seeking for the unemployed.

### 6.2 Current Projects

#### List of current projects

##### Orphans & Vulnerable Children

Thokomala Cluster Foster Home in Marselle (Project Management)  
Asibavikele Project "Let us Protect them" (Project Support)

##### Early Childhood Development

The Valley of Hope Combined Crèches Network  
Klipfontein Pre-school (Fundraising & support, building extension)  
Early Childhood development and Mapping Project  
Kodesh Music Ministry / Klipfontein (Pre- School and youth education)  
Kamvelihle Pre-School  
Marselle Pre-School (fundraising & support; re-surveying and re-fencing the school grounds)

##### Youth and Adult Education

Shalom Computer Centre (Klipfontein)  
ABET Adult Basic Education Supervised by Cynthia James in the Kamvelihle Creche in Marselle  
JOT Reading Club in Ekuphumleni

## Thokomala Cluster Foster Home Marselle

Vukukhanye provided input into the setting up and operation of the Thokomala Cluster Foster home in Marselle, a particularly underserved community in the Eastern Cape. The project represents a collaboration between Child Welfare SA Kenton/Bushmans, the Kenton Anglican Church, Thokomala Orphan care organization and Vukukhanye. A foster mother is responsible for the care of up to six OVC's, supported by collaboration members, including a social worker operating from an office attached to the home. Jenny van der Meulen, the project manager for the Eastern Cape, submits monthly reports to the Department of Social Development and Child Welfare SA Kenton/Bushmans.

### Thokomala Foster Home day trip

Sibuya Game Reserve became involved with the Thokomala children in December 2008 and every few months the team endeavours to arrange something special for the children and the foster mothers. The most recent outing was a day trip to Sibuya. They fetched the Thokomala family on a chilly winter morning, wrapped them up in Sibuya ponchos and headed out on a day filled with popcorn, marshmallows, fun and adventure.



## Asibavikele Project (Let us protect them)

Vukukhanye networks closely with 24 Asibavikele volunteers who identify cases of orphan and vulnerable children, child abuse, domestic violence etc. The volunteers conduct home visits and refer cases to the social worker at the Thokomala Cluster Foster home in Marselle. To date 610 OVC's have been identified. There have been a great number of changes at the organization. The Thokomala Social Worker, Olga Pieterse is leaving, but remains in the Child Welfare family and has accepted a post as programme co-ordinator for the Asibavikele project. Rose Young will be responsible for the social work aspects of the post and Zelda Jacobs will take up residence in the social work office from September 2009 and manage the Asibavikele project on a daily basis.

## The Valley of Hope Combined Crèches Network

Vukukhanye is responsible for the supervision and support of six crèches representing over 500 pre-school children within the disadvantaged communities of Ekuphumleni, Harmony Park/Klipfontein and Marselle in the Ndlambe region of the Eastern Cape. Support includes administrative and fundraising support for school teachers, supervisors, repairs and maintenance, teaching resources; as well as identification of children requiring counselling or home-visits and referral to social workers.



The children at Kamvelihle Crèche and Lukhanyo Preschool enjoying their toys from Heike Neuhaeusser (Germany).

## Klipfontein Preschool

Vukukhanye, in partnership with other organizations, is assisting with the upgrade of the Klipfontein Preschool. Klipfontein Preschool is catering for 70 children from the three disadvantaged communities of Ekuphumleni, Klipfontein and Marselle. A local builder was given the contract and extensions to the toilet block commenced early in 2009.

The new building will consist of two new classrooms, an office/reception, extension to current kitchen and toilet block, a covered walkway, play area, adequate security fencing. Indoor and outdoor play educational equipment is also required. To date, the extension to the bathroom has been mostly completed and a new jungle gym has been installed. These improvements have been kindly sponsored by David & Virginia Lardner-Burke from the UK and Roland & Heike Neuhaeuser from Germany.



## Early Childhood development and Mapping project

This project, conducted in association with the EISS University in the Netherlands, provides a database of young children whose parents are unknown, ill or deceased. The database includes a profile of each child giving the information of his/her birth and family situation. Information about the children in Marselle Township has been gathered and documented by EISS University students who have spent extended periods in the community, and supervised by pre-school principals and Vukukhanye.

It is now time to enlarge this database further to include the community of Klipfontein. The intention of this project, based on the childhood mapping project, includes gathering information on the whole family and their needs. In some circumstances students are required to do house visits within the community in order to find out if the family does receive certain grants. Volunteers and EISS students will be equipped to face difficult situations like child abuse, HIV/AIDS and domestic violence.



The outcome should result in giving each family the opportunity to improve their living conditions. This project includes administrative work such as documenting all gathered information about families and their needs.

Vukukhanye Eastern Cape's future projects include:

- Advice Centres, Drop-in Centres and Soup Kitchens linked to existing schools i.e. Klipfontein Lukhanyo Preschool (Marselle) and Vezukhanyo (Ekuphumleni).
- Shalom Computer Centre (Klipfontein)
- Kodesh music ministry (Klipfontein)
- Youth and child care workers training and support

These projects are aligned with the Department of Social Development's holistic approach to the HIV/AIDS negative impact on families within underprivileged communities.

## **7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & TREASURERS REPORT**

### **7.1 Treasurer's Report**

Last financial year we were at the beginning of a new era in the life of Vukukhanye with its expanded objectives, these are now developing rapidly and are taking on a life of their own. The Westville Foster Home under Tryphina's leadership and that of a dedicated committee have continued to improve the lives of the children who live there. We have seen the roll out of a community based programme, Sport for All, which allows school children from ages 6 to 18 the opportunity to be exposed to and play a number of different sports codes every week-day afternoon for a fee of just R30 per month. This programme has proved to be a great success and has in excess of 100 children playing varying sports every afternoon, being coached by some dedicated members of the Sport for All Chesterville franchise.

In addition on the educational side the first tertiary education bursary was awarded to two students from Chesterville Secondary School (one female and one male) the successful candidates are currently in the first year of their chosen courses and are also being mentored to increase their opportunity of successful completion of their studies. Further to this the partnership programme to support Chesterville Secondary School to improve their environment continued to bear some fruit with the upgrading of the computer room by the staff of Investec and the installation of the computers donated by Mr Price.

Another large project we embarked on, initiated by Mr Terry Rosenberg at the request of a number of businessmen, was the Community Safety Initiative (CSI). Craig Coombe and Peter Watt were commissioned to prepare a plan which would revive the old street committee system which was effective in looking after the community's needs and preventing crime in the 1980's and early 1990's. The re-establishment of this system has demanded much time researching and meeting with the community to ensure the implementation of the system is done properly and will be effective as there is community buy-in. The effective implementation has been carried out in the 2010 financial year however there were expenses relating to the CSI re-establishment process during the financial year under review.

As documented above, the activities have increased dramatically from last year and each objective will continue to expand in the new financial year and the financial years to come. Thus the pressure on maintaining the sustainability of the projects will remain and as a result place great pressure on the fundraising team to ensure there are sufficient funds for the projects to continue. The fundraising efforts achieved to date are a great tribute to this team and in particular Craig, Selvan, Anthony and Kate, who have worked tirelessly to raise the finance required in these difficult economic times. To this we would also thank Mr Terry Rosenberg for the funding opportunities he has exposed the Vukukhanye team to explore.

For the year under review Donation Income grew to R 1 416 616 from R 960 675. This represents a 46% increase. The continued support from regular donors and the interest and considerable support from new donors is greatly appreciated. A huge thank you to all the donors for your interest and involvement in the work of Vukukhanye and investment and involvement in the lives of the children of the Westville Foster Home, without your generous support Vukukhanye would not be able to function.

The operational costs of Vukukhanye also rose substantially as the projects grew, costs increased to R 1 723 168 from R 860 217. This represents an increase of 100.3%. This increase is not in direct relation to the growth in income as Vukukhanye had to establish the infrastructure from which to grow. This infrastructure is in the main established and thus growth in costs should be in line with normal inflation increases in future financial years.


The cost areas which grew and were not associated with corresponding income were as follows:

Salaries	R 384 696
Equipment	R 14 002
Functions, events and meetings	R 34 219
Rentals	R 18 800
Printing, Stationery and Postage	R 18 255
Telephone and Fax	R 18 557
Transport	R 35 323

- The growth in the salaries expense is as a result of a few factors, the main being the attempt to bring the current staff salaries to a more market related level and secondly the creation and filling of two positions being an Operations Manger and a Donor Liaison for the CSI project.
- A new office computer system was purchased for the office to support the increased activities.
- We had a number of functions to promote and support the projects that Vukukhanye is involved in, specifically to support the Street Committee establishment, Matthew Willman's 1<sup>st</sup> Presentation and Vukukhanye's AGM.
- As Vukukhanye staff has grown there was a need for more office space. We were able to take over the majority of the space they currently share with Westville Chiropractic Clinic.
- The printing costs increased as a number of new projects such as an improved monthly newsletter, numerous fundraising proposal documents and a proposal document specific to the CSI proposal.
- The phone expense increased due to the increased efforts to raise the necessary funding for Vukukhanye. In addition phone allowances are provided to assist CRA executive with the costs of assisting the roll out of the projects.
- Travel costs have increased, as travel allowances are paid to CRA executive on a reimbursable basis to a maximum amount monthly for Vukukhanye project work, as well as there were increased travel requirements by the Foster Home.

Vukukhanye's operations for the year under review created a loss which amounted to R 245 904 and consumed some of the accumulated surplus which had built up over the last few years. The accumulated surplus as at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2009 amounts to R 208 830. The current trend of increased overheads is of concern however Vukukhanye in partnership with the CRA have achieved much this year. Donation income has been affected by the current poor economic climate. Despite this companies and individuals have been very generous in their giving. With the economic climate set to improve we are confident that donation income will improve and with expense infrastructure established we will reflect a small surplus in future years. Vukukhanye does not have a profit motive but is motivated to ensure that project expenditure and infrastructure costs are met.

Thank you again to all who have contributed to the success of Vukukhanye by way of finance or personal involvement or both, it is greatly appreciated.



**Brad Leech** (Treasurer)

## **7.2 Audited Financial Statements (year-ending 28 February 2009)**

The audited Financial Statements for the year-ending 28 February 2009 are attached (Appendix 1).

## **8. DONORS & VOLUNTEERS**

### **8.1 Financial Donors**

#### **Companies:**

ACRES, Container Solutions, Frontline Underwriting Managers, Grid Construction, Imbewu Capital Partners, Investec, Non Ferrous Metals, TFM Manufacturing, The Pavilion, Witon Chemicals.

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

Alison Stent Family Trust, Cygnet Pre-Primary School, Eiss University, Johnston Cell Group, Paw Paw Foundation, Simunye Apostolic Ministries, Soul Action, St Martin in the Fields, St Michaels Cluster Group, The Bridge, Triomf, Victor Daitz Foundation, Westville Christian Fellowship.

#### **Individuals:**

Grant & Megan Attwood, Alan & Sue Balding, Simon & Sue Barff, J. Barton, Jean Luc Bertrand, Sylvia Blumenthal, Louise Bohlken, Lynne Boys, Sheryl Campbell, Craig & Lauren Coombe, Colin Coombe, Debbie & Andrew Cranna, John Davison, Cathy Dedman, Vicki & Mike Ferguson, Bill Hobbs, J. Hubert, Bruce & Phillippa Hurley, Phanny Kiepiela, Kit McCabe, Peter & Denise McCulloch, Belinda Mills, Lara Milne, Penny Mitchell, Paul Myers, Paula Nel, D. Owen, S. Pather, T. Rosenberg, M. Saunders, T. Skinner, Shayne & Tara Wadsworth, John Wilkie, Basil & Stella Wulfsohn, Joan Young.

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

#### **Companies:**

ACRES, African Areté, Baker-Tilly Morrison Murray, Balefire, Cosmix, Crompton Hospital, East Coast Radio, Edgars, FMI, Frontline Underwriting Managers, IEC, Investec, Kalahari Kids, Kercy's Motor Repairs, Laser Junction, Maxprop, Nel Plumbers, Netstar, Netwise, On the Outside Designs, Peter Cottrell Business Support, Shosholozza, Sesalos, Shave Paints, Spar, The Floor Sanding Specialists, The Kitchen Studio, Transnet National Ports Authority, Ward, Harvey & Associates, Waynes Services, Witon Chemicals, Woolworths (Bulwer Road).

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

British Cultural & Heritage Society, Christian Social Services, City Couriers, Cygnet Pre-Primary School, Olive Leaf, Our Lady of Lourdes Youth Outreach, Roundtable, Saturn Pre-Primary, Soul Action, Starfish Foundation, St Martin-in-the-Fields, Tree Tops, Westville Christian Fellowship, Westville Junior Primary School, Westville Rotary Anns, Westville Rotary Club.

#### **Individuals:**

Lenny & Deepa Abrahams, Lynette Abrahams, Kelly & Bevan Andries, Tessa Antoni, Alan & Sue Balding Tamara Balding, Barry Barrat, Kirsten Bartman, Dr. Steve Blankenburg, Wendy Booysen, Ashley Botha, Lynne, Boys, Jessica Bush, Pat Campbell, Pru Campbell, Lisa Cestari, Caroline & Billy Clark, Carl & Amanda Clark, Craig & Lauren Coombe, Janice & Malcolm Coombs, John Davison, Cathy & Maurice Dedman, Pat Durrans, Kim Foxon, Winsome Fuller, John & Morag Geach, Mrs. Grey, Juliet & Craig Hartley, the Hartmans, Margaret Harvey, Vivien & Denis Hawksworth, Dean & Nicky Hay, Priscilla & Denzil Hill, Julie & David, Toni Johnstone & family, Jaco Jordaan, Yogesh & Cheryl Jivan, Zodwa & Gabriel Khumalo, Phanny & Andrzej Kiepiela, Corne & Cecile Krog-Scheepers, Andrew & Bev Law, Natasha & KJ Lee, Brad & Jane Leech, G. Lister, Graham & Sue Lucey, Bhojie Mabasu, Steaphan & Belinda MacDonald, Bashni & Mervyn Maistry, Sue Markram, Tim & Heather Maxwell, Judy McNaughton, Maureen, Gladys Mpambaniso, Paul Myers, Erin Naude, Paula Nel, Steve & Mandy Pearson, Debbie Pennesi, Brad & Janine Pepper, the Perumals, Kercy Pillay, Jody Pons, Marlys Portman, Godfrey Radloff, Wendy Radloff, Niki Ridgeway, Terry Rosenburg, Bryony Ross, Rob & Penny Ryna, Michelle Saunders, Andrea Smith, Jim Smith, Cynthia Summers, Ros & Brad Toerien, Phillipa Tostee, Mark Turnbull, Diane van Dam, Kate van der Meulen, Mike & Lindy van der Meulen, Shirley Vernon, Illana & Brendan Vickers, Jaques & Debbie Viviers, Shayne & Tara Wadsworth, Peter & Sandy Watt, Maverick & Tanya Webbstock, Ruth & Gary White, Greg and Ash White, Shelley White, Matthew Willman, Bruce Winship, Rose Williams, Lisa & Hamish Wilmot, Mrs. Wilson, Bruce Woolley, Basil & Stella Wulfsohn, Storm Wulfsohn, Sidney Zulu.

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

## APPENDIX 1

**VUKUKHANYE  
(REGISTRATION NUMBER 017-325 NPO)  
ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2009**

# Vukukhanye

(Registration number 017-325 NPO)

Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 28 February 2009

## General Information

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<b>Area of operation</b>	South Africa
<b>Nature of operation</b>	Contribute to the holistic transformation of historically disadvantaged communities in South Africa
<b>Management committee</b>	Craig Coombe (Chairman) Anthony van der Meulen (CEO) Brad Leech (Treasurer) Selvan Pather (Fundraiser) Michael van der Meulen (Project Manager) Zodwa Khumalo (Education Specialist)
<b>Registered office</b>	Suite 17B Westville Centre 52 Norfolk Terrace Westville 3629
<b>Postal address</b>	P O Box 567 Westville 3629
<b>Bankers</b>	Standard Bank
<b>Auditors</b>	Baker Tilly Morrison Murray Chartered Accountants (S.A.) Registered Auditor
<b>NPO registration number</b>	017-325 NPO
<b>Public Benefit Organisation number</b>	18/11/13/2073

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The annual financial statements set out on pages 4 to 10, which have been prepared on the going concern basis, were approved by the management committee on 22 September 2009 and were signed on its behalf by:

  
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Craig Goombe (Chairman)  
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Brad Leech (Treasurer)

# Report of the Independent Auditors



To the management committee of Vukukhanye

We have audited the accompanying annual financial statements of Vukukhanye, which comprise the balance sheet as at 28 February 2009, the income statement, the statement of changes in funds and cash flow statement for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, as set out on pages 4 to 13.

## **Management Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

The management committee are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these annual financial statements in accordance with the South African Statement of Generally Accepted Accounting Practice for Small and Medium-sized Entities, and in the manner required by the Companies Act of South Africa, 1973. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of annual financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

## **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these annual financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the annual financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the annual financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the annual financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the annual financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the management committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the annual financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

## **Qualification**

In common with similar organisations, it is not feasible for the organisation to institute accounting controls over cash collections from donations and similar income prior to the initial entry of the collections in the accounting records. Accordingly, it was impracticable for us to extend our examination beyond the receipts actually recorded.

## **Qualified Opinion**

In our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been necessary had we been able to extend our procedures on cash collections, the annual financial statements have been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the accounting policies as disclosed in note 1, and in the manner required by the Non-Profit Organisations Act, 1997.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Verburg'.

Baker Tilly Morrison Murray  
Registered Auditor  
Westville  
Per: H Verburg

22 September 2009

## Vukukhanye

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### Balance Sheet

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2009	2008
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	2	64,117	33,833
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Trade and other receivables	3	1,200	700
Cash and cash equivalents	4	177,024	426,263
		<b>178,224</b>	<b>426,963</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>242,341</b>	<b>460,796</b>
<b>Funds and Liabilities</b>			
<b>Funds</b>			
Capital funds		-	-
Accumulated surplus		208,830	454,734
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	5	33,511	6,062
<b>Total Funds and Liabilities</b>		<b>242,341</b>	<b>460,796</b>

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## Income Statement

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2009	2008
<b>Income</b>			
Donations received		1,416,616	960,675
KwaZulu Natal Department of Welfare - foster care grants		15,930	20,310
		<b>1,432,546</b>	<b>980,985</b>
<b>Other income</b>			
Other income		-	2,800
Recoveries		-	36,000
Insurance claim		-	3,326
Interest received		44,718	19,485
		<b>44,718</b>	<b>61,611</b>
<b>Operating expenses</b>			
Accounting fees		-	(2,500)
Assessment rates & municipal charges		(7,844)	(7,778)
Bank charges		(13,102)	(9,626)
Building projects		(87,670)	(53,765)
Clothing		(6,721)	(12,374)
Cleaning and office teas		(2,114)	-
Computer expenses		(2,568)	(19,763)
Depreciation, amortisation and impairments		(23,130)	(14,000)
Employee costs		(710,090)	(325,394)
Entertainment		(3,843)	(2,685)
Equipment expensed		(61,484)	(47,482)
Equipment and fees - Sport for All		(200,420)	-
Functions, events and meetings		(34,819)	(600)
Groceries		(41,746)	(49,190)
Insurance		(9,089)	(6,095)
Lease rentals - premises		(76,612)	(57,812)
Medical expenses		(13,245)	(11,485)
Motor vehicle expenses		(31,283)	(27,785)
Other expenses		(9,514)	(9,426)
Professional fees		(119,515)	-
Printing, stationery and postage		(21,435)	(3,180)
Repairs and maintenance		(13,533)	(43,246)
Security		(17,089)	(21,915)
School expenses		(66,963)	(40,388)
Telephone and fax		(56,143)	(37,586)
Tertiary education		(4,301)	(11,030)
Transport		(46,923)	(11,600)
Utilities		(27,545)	(24,788)
Workshops and training		(14,427)	(8,724)
		<b>(1,723,168)</b>	<b>(860,217)</b>
<b>(Deficit) / surplus for the year</b>		<b>(245,904)</b>	<b>182,379</b>

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### Statement of Changes in Funds

Figures in Rand	Accumulated surplus	Total funds
<b>Balance at 01 March 2007</b>	<b>272,355</b>	<b>272,355</b>
Changes in funds		
Surplus for the year	182,379	182,379
<b>Total changes</b>	<b>182,379</b>	<b>182,379</b>
<b>Balance at 01 March 2008</b>	<b>454,734</b>	<b>454,734</b>
Changes in funds		
Deficit for the year	(245,904)	(245,904)
<b>Total changes</b>	<b>(245,904)</b>	<b>(245,904)</b>
<b>Balance at 28 February 2009</b>	<b>208,830</b>	<b>208,830</b>

Note(s)

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### Cash Flow Statement

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2009	2008
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash receipts from grants and donations		1,432,516	980,985
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		(1,673,059)	(800,529)
Cash (used in) generated from operations	7	(240,543)	180,456
Interest income		44,718	19,485
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>		<b>(195,825)</b>	<b>199,941</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	2	(53,414)	-
<b>Total cash movement for the year</b>		<b>(249,239)</b>	<b>199,941</b>
Cash at the beginning of the year		426,263	226,322
<b>Total cash at end of the year</b>	4	<b>177,024</b>	<b>426,263</b>

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## Accounting Policies

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### 1. Presentation of Annual Financial Statements

The annual financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for the measurement of certain financial instruments at fair value, and incorporate the principal accounting policies set out below. They are presented in South African Rands. They are presented in South African Rands.

These accounting policies are consistent with the previous period.

#### 1.1 Property, plant and equipment

Costs include costs incurred initially to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment and costs incurred subsequently to add to, replace part of, or service it. If a replacement cost is recognised in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment, the carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised.

Property, plant and equipment used directly in the work of the organisation is carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. Property, plant and equipment purchased for community projects is expensed on acquisition.

Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method to write down the cost, less estimated residual value over the useful life of the property, plant and equipment, which is as follows:

Item	Average useful life
Motor vehicles	5 years
Office equipment	5 years

The residual value, depreciation method and the useful life of each asset are reviewed at each financial period-end.

#### 1.2 Financial Instruments

##### Financial instruments at amortised cost

Financial instruments may be designated to be measured at amortised cost less any impairment using the effective interest method. These include trade and other receivables, loans and trade and other payables. At the end of each reporting period, the carrying amounts of assets held in this category are reviewed to determine whether there is any objective evidence of impairment. If so, an impairment loss is recognised.

##### Financial Instruments at fair value

All other financial instruments are measured at fair value through profit and loss.

#### 1.3 Employee benefits

##### Short-term employee benefits

The cost of short-term employee benefits, (those payable within 12 months after the service is rendered, such as paid vacation leave and sick leave, bonuses, and non-monetary benefits such as medical care), are recognised in the period in which the service is rendered and are not discounted.

#### 1.4 Revenue

Interest is recognised, in profit or loss, using the effective interest rate method.

Revenue from donations is recorded on a receipt basis.grants is recorded on an accrual basis when due.

Revenue from grants is recorded on an accrual basis when due.

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## Notes to the Annual Financial Statements

Figures in Rand 2009 2008

### 2. Property, plant and equipment

	2009			2008		
	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Carrying value	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Carrying value
Motor vehicles	70,000	(50,167)	19,833	70,000	(36,167)	33,833
Office equipment	5,785	(193)	5,592	-	-	-
IT equipment	47,629	(8,937)	38,692	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>123,414</b>	<b>(59,297)</b>	<b>64,117</b>	<b>70,000</b>	<b>(36,167)</b>	<b>33,833</b>

#### Reconciliation of property, plant and equipment - 2009

	Opening Balance	Additions	Depreciation	Total
Motor vehicles	33,833	-	(14,000)	19,833
Office equipment	-	5,785	(193)	5,592
IT equipment	-	47,629	(8,937)	38,692
	<b>33,833</b>	<b>53,414</b>	<b>(23,130)</b>	<b>64,117</b>

#### Reconciliation of property, plant and equipment - 2008

	Opening Balance	Depreciation	Total
Motor vehicles	47,833	(14,000)	33,833

### 3. Trade and other receivables

Deposits	200	200
Staff loans	1,000	-
Other receivables	-	500
	<b>1,200</b>	<b>700</b>

### 4. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of:

Bank balances	111,443	21,482
Moneymarket account	65,581	404,781
	<b>177,024</b>	<b>426,263</b>

### 5. Trade and other payables

Trade payables	(1)	-
Accounting fee accrual	-	2,500
Accrued expenses	33,512	3,562
	<b>33,511</b>	<b>6,062</b>

### 6. Taxation

No provision has been made for 2009 tax as organisation is registered as a Public Benefit Organisation for income tax purposes. Donations to the organisation are tax deductible in the hands of donors under section 18A to the Income Tax Act.

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### Notes to the Annual Financial Statements

Figures in Rand	2009	2008
<b>7. Cash (used in) generated from operations</b>		
(Deficit) / surplus for the period	(245,904)	182,379
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation and amortisation	23,130	14,000
Interest received	(44,718)	(19,485)
<b>Changes in working capital:</b>		
Trade and other receivables	(500)	(500)
Trade and other payables	27,449	4,062
	<b>(240,543)</b>	<b>180,456</b>