



About NELSON MANDELA CHILDREN'S FUND

“One night, just before the country’s first democratic elections, I was leaving a Cape Town hotel where I had attended a meeting, when a group of children ran up to my car. It was freezing, and yet they were scantily dressed. I could have given them some money, and with my conscience eased, gone home to a good night’s rest. I talked to them for a while, trying to find out where they came from and where their parents were. I had a sleepless night, tossing and turning. I knew that it was not good enough to say that their problems would be solved along with the problems of an entire country. That is when I conceived the idea of a children’s fund, dedicated to the needs and aspirations of our youth and pledged one-third of my annual Presidential salary to found and perpetuate the Fund...”

Nelson R. Mandela

Founder and Chairperson, Nelson Mandela Children’s Fund

THE VISION FOR THE NMCF

The Nelson Mandela Children’s Fund works to give children a better life and better future. It fundamentally believes that you cannot separate the well-being of children from the communities in which they live.

NMCF is an organisation run by highly qualified South Africans who understand not only the issues and approaches to addressing them, but also the culture and context in which they are working.

NMCF has developed rapidly since its foundation, and is now recognised as one of the leading charities working for children in South Africa. It works in productive partnerships with national and provincial government to inform and influence policy affecting children.

Taking a long term view, NMCF works closely with community partners, aiming to develop and strengthen them so that they can continue the work for children into the future. In this way NMCF’s work ensures a better, more stable future for children and young people.

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Work of the Fund....

Child Safety and Protection

- Unsafe schools
- Lack of scholar transport
- Poverty and lack of resources

Youth Leadership

- Youth Self Help Groups
- Social Entrepreneurship
- Food production
- Youth led enterprises
- Youth Involvement
- Girls' Symposium
- AU Children's Supplementary Report
- Nelson Mandela Children's Parliament



Child Survival and Development

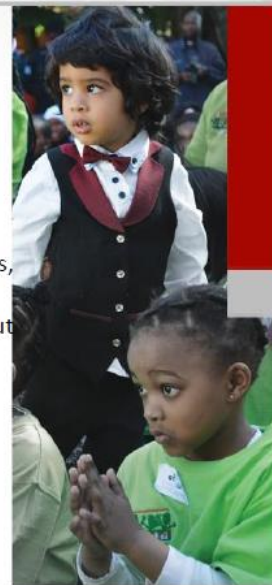
- Focuses on the first 1000 days of the life of a child.
- SA loses nearly 1000 children on average each year, with highest rates in Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal and Eastern Cape.

Integration of Sustainable Livelihood

- Self-help groups utilise savings: Groceries, assets, educational support
- Household Entrepreneurship of youth in and out of school



Nelson Mandela
Children's Hospital



THE FUTURE

In the words of Mr Mandela; *"In the light of the complex challenges facing humankind... it has become imperative that the Children's Fund should, and must, outlive future generations and ourselves."*

The Nelson Mandela Children's Fund has in the past year helped and supported over 80,000 children and young people. There are still thousands of children who need our help.

We are very grateful to all the schools who continue to demonstrate their support for our work, and in doing so help to carry forward Mr Mandela's vision for a better future for South Africa.

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“After 90 years of life, it is time for new hands to lift the burdens.

It is in your hands now.”

Nelson Mandela (Founder)

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