

Annual Report

African Angels Trust

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Educating Good South African Citizens

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African Angels

African Angels Trust operates the African Angels Independent School, the Chintsa East Community Learning Centre and Siyanqoba Vulnerable Boys Mentoring Programme. It also supports and mentors the lead teacher at the Ikhwezilomso Creche.

In 2019 the African Angels Independent School in Chintsa East, just outside East London provided a quality primary school education by exceptional teachers for 142 children who will innovate and be the hope for our future. African Angels educates children who have limited resources and live in situations that are unimaginable to most of us, yet they are determined to grow into educated, productive and responsible citizens.

Four grade 7 learners were accepted into Queens College and Queens Girls High School, in Queenstown for 2020. We saw our first grade 7 accepted into Merrifield College in East London on a full academic bursary for the 2020 school year.

The Chintsa East Community Learning Centre is a community located computer hub and book exchange, providing 2 079 community members with free wi-fi and access to laptops.

Lindiwe Sigqaza was transferred from African Angels Independent School, where she had been employed as the Grade R class assistant since the school opened in 2012, to Ikhwezilomso Creche, to strengthen the Grade RR curriculum and provide increased support to parents in the Chintsa East township.

The Siyanqoba Vulnerable Boys Mentoring programme was established in 2019 in partnership with The Character Company, connecting boys attending African Angels with positive male role models on a regular basis. The aim is to help boys grow into better men, directly tackling South Africa's epidemic of gender-based violence.



Chairperson's Letter

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2019 was our sixth year of partnership with Mercedes Benz South Africa (Ltd). We welcomed a number of new donors and supporters through 2019, and they are included further into this report. Educating children is a long-term project, and we are grateful to our partners who understand long term, sustained commitment is needed.

Our school community experienced a number of gender-based violence incidents through the year, and in response we partnered with The Character Company, implementing a boys mentoring programme for boys aged 10-14 years who attend African Angels. We continued to support and protect our older girls through the provision of safe and family style hostel accommodation, and were joined by the

Chairperson's Letter continued



Carmel Curlewis Trust, whose mandate is to protect women and girls.

Our first sponsored Angel graduated from Lilyfontein School, and was accepted into the University of the Western Cape to study Bachelor of Law. 23 Angels started at 16 different high schools including the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for Girls, Queens College, and Selborne College.

For the first time, under the leadership and guidance of Sharon Edworthy, as Administration Head and Farai Nyamavuvu as the Academic Head, we had zero teacher turnover for 2019.

In 2019, we also saw Lindiwe Sigqaza transferred from African Angels to Ikhwezilomso Creche, to teach a formal grade RR class (pre Grade R or Reception year) to improve the school readiness of the learners applying to enter the Grade R year. Lindiwe is guided and mentored by our Administration Head, Sharon Edworthy, and has regular access to resources on an exchange basis.

All teachers at African Angels attended the Independent Schools Association of South Africa Proudly Primary Conference in Durban, networking with other teachers from Independent Schools and attending valuable professional development workshops and plenary sessions. We believe it is important to invest in the growth of our teachers, ultimately benefitting our learners' education.

As the Chairperson and co-Founder of African Angels I was privileged to be named the Businesswomens Association Social Entrepreneur of the Year.

At the start of 2020, we facilitated the donation and installation of 160 streetlights in a collaboration project between Beka Schreder, the community of Chintsa East and African Angels. This uplifting project was the first time Chintsa Village has had light at night since its establishment in 1996.

Our total income in the 2019/20 financial year was R3 639 642, of which R813 526 was school fees, either from sponsors or parents, and R2 826 116 from donations, and fundraising.

We are proud that our administration expenses form a minimal 2.4% of our total expenditure. Salaries for our teachers and support staff remain our biggest expense, accounting for 71% of our total expenditure.

We are sincerely grateful for every person who has contributed in cash, time, or encouragement, to support us in 2019 so that we can continue to change the future for the children of Chintsa.



Our Partners

We realise that we can't deliver on our vision for each child to reach their full potential alone. We know that we will have much more success if we work together with like minded people and organisations that connect and support our purpose.

INDIVIDUAL SPONSORS

We have a host of individual sponsors who, by Sponsoring an Angel, financially support the most needy of our children through their primary school years at African Angel Independent School.

OUR DONORS

We are also proud to have established, long term relationships with our **corporate donors**. With their help we are able to implement our programmes.

Principal Corporate Donor

Mercedes Benz South Africa has been our principal donor since 2013.

- Algoa FM
- Anonymous Swiss Foundation
- Beka Schreder
- Brewcon cc
- Carmel Curlewis Trust
- Charteris and Barnes
- East London Golf Club
- East London Rotary Club
- EDP Accounting
- Encona
- Ezulweni Construction
- Fraser Family
- Froetek
- Gateley Rotary Club
- Gladys Jacobbson Trust
- Herotel
- IDA Care Foundation
- Imbono Architects



CORPORATE DONORS (Cont.)

- Ironman4thekidz
- Jumbo Clothing
- Katholische Kircheng
- Lilyfontein School
- Maclears Stationers
- Mail and Mechanisation
- MHG Property Development Specialists
- Mickey Turner Agencies
- MMPA QS & PM
- Morningside Hardware
- MySchool
- New Settlers Foundation
- NWest Holdings
- Respect Tombstones
- Rotary Club of Arcadia
- Round Table #1
- SPAR @ Crossways
- Stichting Wereldwijs
- Sugarbrook (Pty) Ltd
- Talisman Hire East London
- Treeline Stationery
- Tudhope Family
- Vincent Park Shopping Centre
- Vusiswe Community Trust
- WildWomen on the Run

FUNDRAISING PARTNERS

We have relationships with the following international fundraising organisations:

GLOBAL GIVING
USD
36 849.48

UK FUND FOR CHARITIES
GBP
3 440.46

GIVEN GAIN
USD
2 497.00



2008

Non profit organisation established with Section 18(a) tax deductible status.

Sponsorship model to access quality education.



2012

28 learners Established the African Angels Independent School.

Partnership with Mercedes Benz South Africa established.



2014

Widespread acceptance and support from the Chintsa community for African Angels.



2017

Registered with the Department of Education.

On track for Umalusi accreditation.

Biggest primary school in Chintsa and surrounds.

First graduating grade 7 class

Our History



2019

140 children enrolled in African Angels Independent School.

40% of graduating grade 7 learners achieve bursaries to quality high schools



2019

Established Guardian Angels group for African Angels Alumni.

The group will be used to give back and to support the current African Angels learners



2020

First African Angel accepted into university. She will be studying Law at the University of the Western Cape



Year at a Glance

142

2020 LEARNER ENROLLMENT
Grade R to Grade 7

97.14%

2019 LEARNER ATTENDANCE

97.96%

2019 TEACHER ATTENDANCE

0%

 STAFF TURNOVER

40%

OF GRADE 7 LEARNERS ACHIEVED
HIGH SCHOOL BURSARIES

23

 AFRICAN ANGEL GRADUATES ARE ATTENDING

12

 DIFFERENT HIGH SCHOOLS

ANGELS FUNDRAISING

Successful annual fundraisers :

- *African Angels Ale Trail,*
- *Jumbo Angels Big Walk*
- *African Angels Golf Day (Inaugural event)*

EXTERNAL FUNDRAISING

Round Table #1 - IronMan

K2K Ride for Education

Santa Shoebox

MHG Property Development Group -

Tins for Tummies

Wild Women on the Run

Lilyfontein School and Vincent Park Shopping Centre

FOOD SUPPLIERS

Crossways SPAR - who donate bread and regularly answer the call for help when it goes out

Lunchbox Fund - who donate bulk food supplies on a monthly basis

SUPPLIERS

Jumbo Clothing - shopping vouchers being awarded to children who consistently demonstrate positive behaviour at school AND donations of clothes, umbrellas and shoes

MacClear Stationers - photocopy paper and stationery

Treeline - stationery

Mica Hardware - paint and stationery



MORE THAN A SCHOOL

All of our community projects are based in Chintsa, and are designed to bring about long lasting and sustained change to improve the future of its residents.



We have a fully equipped **computer lab** providing all Chintsa residents in range with free uncapped wifi thanks to Herotel

We employ a full time community **early childhood practitioner** who helps run a quality preschool programme and parent workshops to improve parenting skills



Installed **160 street lights** in collaboration with Beka-Schreder, Great Kei Municipality, the Chintsa East community and Eskom. [Watch the video](#)



Understanding the impact of fatherlessness on our boys we launched the **Siyanqoba Vulnerable Boys' Mentoring Group** to help our boys grow into good men





SETHU

Our first African Angel was accepted to study law at the University of the Western Cape



AHLUME

Ahlume has started his high school education at Queens College in Queenstown, South Africa. He is being supported by a friend of African Angels who lives in the USA



IVA

Iva was awarded a bursary to one of East London (South Africa) finest high schools, Merrifield College, on a full scholarship. Iva will hopefully finish high school in 2024 with an IEB National Senior certificate



EMIHLE & LISA

Emihle and Lisa were accepted to Queens Girls High, a very well run high school, with a long and proud history of 100% pass rates for their matriculating (graduating) class.

Success Stories



NOPINKIE

Nopinkie has been accepted at Maclear High School in the Amatola Mountains. She is supported by a team of individuals who have committed to fund her education until the end of high school



YONELA

Yonela received 1st place in her class in IGCSE Accounting and Economic Management Services



DOMINIC

Dominic, one of our African Angels graduates was elected a grade 9 class leader at Queens College

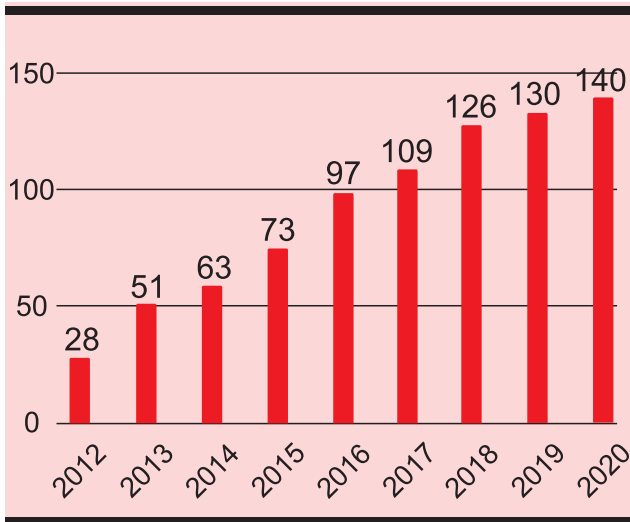


JULY

Lou Billett, founder of African Angels, won the Social Entrepreneur category in the 2019 East London Business Women's Association 'Business Woman of the Year Awards'



2019/20 ENROLLMENT



2019/20 LEARNER PASS RATE

98.4%

2020 Goals

African Angels receives no government funding and our school fees are necessarily kept to a minimum.

Our current funding model relies on corporate and individual donors and is potentially risky for our long term future.

We have applied our minds and are planning to create new , recurring sources of funding.

400 recurring monthly donors

We aim to increase our number of recurring monthly donors to 400 thereby guaranteeing a fixed monthly income to contribute towards our regular monthly expenses including teacher and support staff salaries.

Social Enterprises for sustainability

We plan to create sustainable social enterprises to generate profit that will be invested in the school and create a regular recurring income.



Financials

Like all non profit organisations, a portion of our funds are spend on fundraising and administration. We've kept our administration and fundraising costs to a modest 2.4% of total overheads.

The following summarised financial information has been extracted from 2019/20 audited financials.

Other income	ZAR
School fees income	813 526
Donations received	2 826 116
TOTAL INCOME	3 639 642

Operating expenses	ZAR
Accounting fees	26 313
Advertising	12 777
Bank charges	11 823
Cleaning	5 247
Computer expenses	15 099

Depreciation	367
Employee costs	2 563 204
Entertainment	10 791
Fines and penalties	11 438
Food	100 766
General expenses	56 044
Insurance	35 126
Learner support	51 716
Lease rentals on operating lease	116 920
Leasing and hire costs	3 735
Management fees	26 854
Motor vehicle expenses	102 256
Municipal expenses	400
Printing and stationery	71 967
Repairs and maintenance	53 980
School fees expenses	259 909
Small assets expenses	38 213
Subscriptions	11 193
Telephone and fax	10 193
Training	14 875
Travel - local	18 242
Uniforms	15 729
TOTAL EXPENSES	3 760 177
Deficit for the year	-120 535

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We help companies achieve points on their B-BBEE scorecard.

As a Level 1 B-BBEE Service Provider, we assist companies with their Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment goals and help them achieve points on their B-BBEE scorecard.

Donations to African Angels are tax deductible with a Section 18A certificate being issued.

DONATE

Want to be part of our plan to educate South Africa's future?

To donate please use the following details:

South African Banking Details

Name: African Angels Trust

Bank: Nedbank

Branch: Vincent Park

Account Number: 1206067217

Swift Code: NEDSZAJJ

Reference: [Your name or company name]

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SOUND GOVERNANCE

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ASSOCIATIONS



ISASA

Independent Schools Association of Southern Africa

Quality Values Diversity



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL
CHANGE ENTITIES IN EDUCATION