



ANNUAL REPORT 2011

Educate. Enrich. Empower.

THE HAPPY AFRICA ANNUAL REPORT 2011

Dear Friends and Supporters,

This year has brought with it some considerable changes. Firstly, this is our first Annual Report, which is fantastic! Secondly, we have refined the way we work with African Impact so that volunteers together with the charity support and funding, create a great partnership that allows us to do more together than we could on our own.

Since taking on the role of Charity Manager I have seen the potential The Happy Africa Foundation has to effect positive change over the coming years. I'm so proud to be part of something so meaningful and would like to thank everyone who supports our charity and continues to believe in us.

Sincerely,
Michelle Procter, Charity Manager



WHO WE ARE | WHAT WE DO

The Happy Africa Foundation was founded in 2008 as a responsible way to manage donations received from African Impact volunteers on community projects across Africa. It has since matured into an independent organisation that provides support and expertise on sustainable development within local communities and on volunteer projects, to create a positive, long lasting impact.

Our commitment to 'Educate, Enrich and Empower' points to our three main areas of focus: Education and Enrichment, Health and Nutrition and Empowering Families. By building strong relationships with community leaders, we work together to find solutions for overcoming the issues people face every day. We make a positive difference in the direction of people's lives through education and enrichment programs in schools, crèches and orphanages; provision of health and nutrition through home-based care and vegetable gardens; and family support groups. We look at how we can build or improve community facilities to best support the needs of residents and help develop the community as a whole.



KEY AREAS OF DEVELOPMENT

Education and Enrichment | Health and Nutrition | Empowering Families

ACHIEVEMENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA:

KwaZulu-Natal:

- Providing the children of Inkanzezi crèche a safe and a secure play area
- Enhancing play through the provision of two jungle gyms
- Supplying medical support to over 80 families
- Development opportunities given to 10 'at risk' families
- Empowering of communities through support groups.
- Initiating community projects
- Fencing at Mdlethshe School for safety and security of children
- Construction of a grade three class room, reducing the amount of children per class
- Equipping a school library with 600 books for children to practice English
- Engaging in conservation education with 250 children to help them learn about and appreciate their natural environment.



Western Cape:

- Development of food security initiatives at 2 preschools, feeding 80 children
- Holistic development of teaching skills at partner schools, better equipping the teachers.
- Enhancement of educational environment

KEY AREAS OF DEVELOPMENT

ACHIEVEMENTS IN ZIMBABWE:

- Supplied fresh water to over 500 children through a bore hole at Mokba 4 Primary School
- On-going development of Mickey Mouse preschool, serving 110 local children.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN KENYA:

- Enhancement and enrichment of Hope School through provision of supplies and the up grading of the environment.
- Equipping families with the knowledge and means to initiate and develop small business.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN MOZAMBIQUE:

- Providing all the children of A Escolinha de Boa Esperanca two nutritional meals a day, in order to combat the rife malnutrition in the area.
- Up grading of the school building to provide the children with a safe learning environment.
- Assistance given to families to make sure their child's birth is registered.



KEY AREAS OF DEVELOPMENT

ACHIEVEMENTS IN ZAMBIA:

- Raised the funding to ship 23,000 books from the USA to Livingstone for all the local high schools
- Completion of Nakatindi Health and Education Centre, which provides a hub for the local community and income generation for the school
- Provision of shelving for improved filing system at a local clinic so patients' notes can be easily accessed.
- Enhanced learning environment for 30 classrooms in Mulwani School
- Enabled 30 children to return to school with full sponsorship – giving an amazing opportunity for children to get a better education



SUCCESS STORIES: EDUCATION & ENRICHMENT

LAUNCH OF COMMUNITY PROJECT AT THANDA

The population of KwaZulu-Natal has been devastated by the effects of poverty and the HIV/AIDS pandemic. The rate of unemployment sits at around 48% in the district; and a staggering 40.2% of people in the province are estimated to be infected with HIV, 10% of who have full blown AIDS. There is limited access to education, health services and income generation projects. Unlike many parts of South Africa there are very few NGO's that operate in the area and the people have very limited access to basic services.

Mdlethshe School provides quality primary education to 170 children in the Umkhanyakude district. Education is the only way that these children will be able to change their circumstances and school is often the only guaranteed access to food they have.

In KwaZulu-Natal, since the project was initiated, a fence has been put up at Mdlethshe School, ensuring the safety and security of 171 local children. An area has been levelled for a football pitch, enabling the children to participate in team sports and exercise regularly. A classroom was built for grade 3 learners, reaching 44 children per year. There have been 600 books collected for a school library and a vegetable garden was implemented which now supplies vegetables to boxer super market. In early childhood development a playground for 60 children has been put up and 2 classrooms painted. In addition, a conservation education program has been implemented that reaches out to 250 local children every year.



SUCCESS STORIES: HEALTH & NUTRITION

MOZAMBIQUE COMMUNITY PROJECT

A 2011 nutrition study by Care International established that nearly 5% of the Pre-School children are severely underweight, 25% moderately underweight. 30% suffer from severe stunted growth.



Nelio is four years old and lived with his grandmother and elder brother. In February, his grandmother died and Nelio went to live with his Uncle, but the family was very poor. Nelio has stunted growth and was already thin and underweight for his age. After his grandmother died, Nelio continued to lose weight and his health began to deteriorate, suffering from severe diarrhoea and malaria. With the support of the teachers, we were able to monitor this and ensured he received plenty of e-pap (nutritious porridge) in the morning and a lunch before he went home. On the days when Nelio was too sick for school, we ensured his family had a supply of e-pap for him to eat at home. By October, Nelio had regained weight and had a lot more energy. He also began to speak and his confidence at school continues to grow.

SUCCESS STORIES: EDUCATION & ENRICHMENT

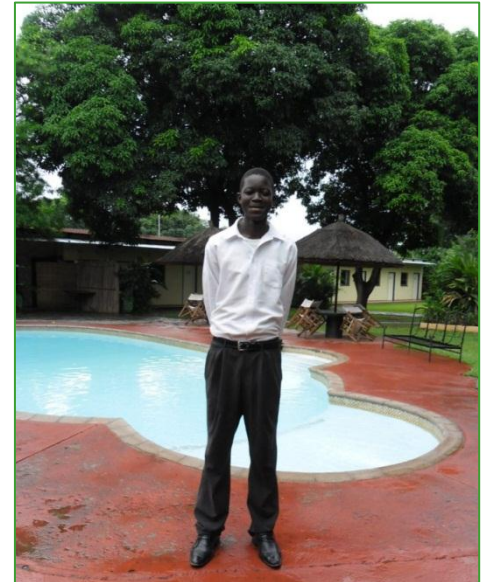
SPONSOR A CHILD PROGRAMME, ZAMBIA

The Sponsor a Child project started in 2009 with 18 children; we now sponsor more than 60 children. Of these 60, four are at Livingstone Institute of Business Studies (LIBES). The first student at LIBES was Victor Muchindu studying Purchasing and Supply for one year. Sponsor a Child's general fund assists with the development of the schools our students attend. This ranges from painting, textbooks, school equipment and stationery.

Alfred Sitwala was given the opportunity to further his education through our Sponsor a Child program.

"Education is very important for someone to have a bright future.

This program has really impacted my life; it gave me hope for tomorrow. I don't know where I would be without sponsorship. When I qualified to grade my mother did not have enough money to pay for my school fees and to buy me the school requirements but when this program started I was given an opportunity to be in class again. I'm very proud to be one of the first graduates that Happy Africa Foundation will be having at the end of the year."



SUCCESS STORIES: EMPOWERING FAMILIES

ST. LUCIA COMMUNITY PROJECT



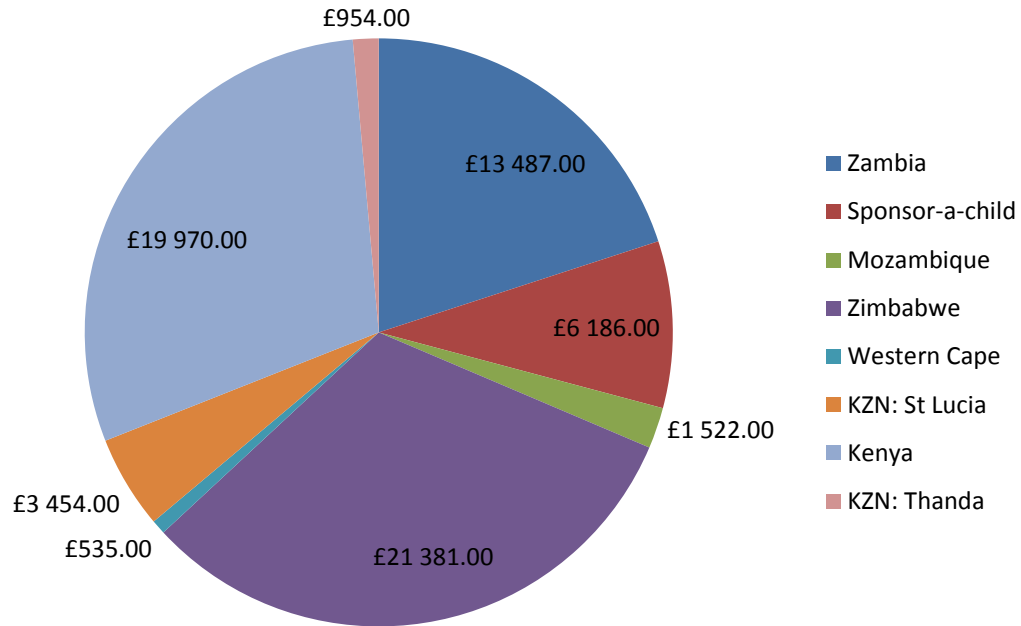
When volunteers and staff first met Gogo Joyce and her family, they were living in a dilapidated hut in Ezwenelisha Village in KwaZulu Natal. Gogo Joyce ('Gogo' meaning 'grandmother' in Zulu), had taken in a number of her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and relatives and was in great need of our help. Since our first meeting, her family has flourished as we have provided her with a fence for her garden, clothing donations, an HIV education course and even lobbied for her to receive a government house. The family has now been transformed and although they still have their struggles, Gogo Joyce is a regular member of our Ezwenelisha Support Group, and we support her and her family through these regular meetings.

Her property now boasts a thriving garden and a beautiful new government-issued home. With added knowledge through HIV education Gogo is able to better care for her family.

AREAS OF DEVELOPMENT – IN NUMBERS

- 1** Building project completed
- 3** Support groups held to provide a platform for community growth
- 5** Countries reached
- 8** Projects worked with
- 12** Schools improved
- 40** Children sponsored in Zambia
- 50** Vegetable gardens completed
- 700** Food parcels delivered to help those recovering from illness

2011 CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE BY COUNTRY



2011 PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT

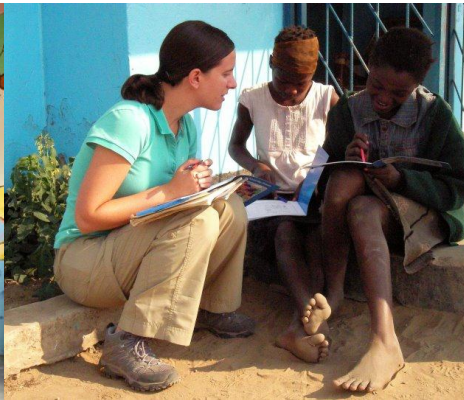
					31 December 2011			2010
					Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
					Funds	Funds		
					£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES								
Donations					18,194	73,254	91,448	76,820
RESOURCES EXPENDED								
Direct charitable expenditure					-	67,489	67,489	51,220
Governance costs					17,412	-	17,412	12,242
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED					17,412	67,489	84,901	63,462
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS					782	5,765	6,547	13,358
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2011					(367)	21,145	20,778	7,420
Fund balances carried forward at 31 December 2011					415	26,910	27,325	20,778
All transactions are derived from continuing activities.								
All recognized gains and losses are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.								

THANK YOU

On behalf of The Happy Africa Foundation we would like to thank everyone who enabled us to do all the work we accomplished in 2011, every little bit of support makes a big difference.

We would also like to make a few special acknowledgments:

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