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Message from the Director

Welcome to our first annual report as the African Impact Foundation!

Making an impact to people’s lives and changing their story continues to be at the heart of what our Foundation does every day. I see it in the team around me and so many of the volunteers and interns that join us. Making someone smile when they are feeling unwell, through to building a community a new hospital, changes the pathway of people’s lives for the better. Together with African Impact, we create opportunities for people in vulnerable communities to take a different path and be more informed about their choices.

My passion for what we do grows stronger all the time, especially when I visit our amazing projects. I am writing this introduction from Livingstone with the aim to see the changes our Foundation has made since I was last here 3 years ago. It is so inspiring and a big reminder to me of the difference our donors make to people’s lives. The stories I have heard from people in the communities here take my breath away and bring to life how we all have the power to change people’s stories for the better.

As well as creating opportunities for progressive change with each community we are working with, measuring our impact is also really important. It helps us tell you, our supporters, how your donations have made progress happen, it’s how we build trust with people, and it’s how we learn with communities what is working and what we can improve. I am excited to have extended our team to bring these specialist skills to all our projects, to strengthen this vital aspect our Foundation.

If you love what we do come join us at the Foundation. You can volunteer, intern, donate or fundraise knowing that anything you do, however small, is contributing to changing someone’s story.

I’d like to thank my amazing team, our super passionate friends at African Impact and our energetic interns for putting their all in every day to make our Foundation a success.

Thank you so much

[Signature]
Who we are

African Impact Foundation has been working in community development in East and Southern Africa over the past 10 years. Our mission is to implement long-term, positive change in the lives of individuals, families, communities and wildlife in Africa. Our commitment to ‘Educate, Enrich and Empower’ points to our five main areas of focus: education, empowerment, health and nutrition, gender equality and conservation. We recognize the importance of identifying and fully understanding the unique needs of each community in order to effectively and sustainably address them. Our experience has enabled us to develop our expertise and sustainability approach to the way we work on the projects we support. We continuously monitor and evaluate our projects, so we can ensure they achieve both a measurable impact and remain sustainable.

Where we work

Cape Town  St. Lucia  Greater Kruger Area  Livingstone  Kilimanjaro  Zanzibar  Cape Town  St. Lucia  Greater Kruger Area  Livingstone  Kilimanjaro  Zanzibar
Education & Enrichment

Education is the foundation for a sustainable community and can lead to the development needed to catapult communities out of the cycle of poverty. Our education programs include helping pre-school and primary school children to learn the basics through extra lessons and one-on-one attention, sponsoring children so that they are able to attend school, and running reading clubs to encourage literacy and encourage free thinking. We are also supporting adult education, for those who have missed out as a result of the poverty cycle.

We also fund the building of educational facilities such as additional classrooms, provide books and educational resources, and provide communities with a safe, conducive learning environment. Due to lack of resources, funds, energy or time, the enjoyable opportunities outside of the classroom are not available to students. Therefore, the Foundation provides enrichment opportunities to schools, communities and partners to enhance students learning and allow for creative and fun educational trips.

IMPACT

115 CHILDREN
sponsored to stay in school in Livingstone

1 classroom built so 60 more children can go to school at Zambezi Sawmills, Livingstone

2 preschools refurbished to create safer spaces for children to play

Jambiani center expanded with a rain cover for the community center, improving learning

20 teachers trained

105 children at Kuyasa Edu centre in Cape Town are now registered and supported by the government

10 creches impacted

667 children better educated

240 students in Zanzibar

100 CHILDREN
in Cape Town enriched through OUTINGS
Seeing how the students are dedicated and eager to learn made me realize how privileged I was to receive an education early in my life that enabled me to become an empowered individual. As I progressed into my internship roles, I became very aware of the positive impact that the teaching program creates in the lives of our students. Many of the adult students graduate to be employed using the language skills taught at the Jambiani Education Center, empowered to create a better future for themselves and their families.”

– Mashal, Zanzibar Intern –
Health & Nutrition

Goal 2 of the UN Sustainable Goals is to end hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture. Goal 3 encourages healthy lives and well-being for all at all ages. Our health and nutrition programs aim to empower communities to maintain healthy lifestyles by teaching good nutrition and general health habits.

Through a relief, rehabilitation and development program, we encourage and assist people who are unwell to regain their health and to get back on their feet after an illness.

Many areas in Africa are in dire need of proper health facilities. To help address this, the Foundation works in partnership with local health departments in order to improve or build new hospitals and clinics so adults and children have access to better quality healthcare.

IMPACT

- Nutritious meals were provided to 80 children under 6 at Redhill creche in Cape Town.
- 270 students participated in the dental hygiene and handwashing program in Zanzibar.
- 280 trips per year to the clinic and back.
- In St. Lucia, South Africa, 43 support group members attend weekly sessions.
- 320 hours of support.
I have seen the nutrition programme here in St Lucia go from strength to strength over the 7 years that I have worked with African Impact. Our patients grow healthier and happier each week and really appreciate all of the support that they get from African Impact and our volunteers. They are always so happy to see us when we visit them. We have a lot of exciting plans for the future of our nutrition programme over the next 12 months and are constantly striving for better results for our patients and overall sustainable development.

- Shwele Gumede, Medical Coordinator -
Empowering Communities

Our community empowerment projects work with an array of individuals, from the Ministry of Education and Health, local tribes and chiefs, other NGOs, as well as families and individuals to ensure our programs benefit the largest number of people in the best way.

Through meeting with these local leaders and communities, we are able to jointly identify the specific needs of their populations. We are also able to assist with programs that move entire communities forward and uplift all individuals to create a culture of empowerment and self-development. To do so, we focus on skills training, income generation activities, healthcare improvement and educational enrichment.

IMPACT

17 rooms were renovated at Langoni's Old People's home in Moshi, Tanzania

200+ children participated in Sports Development tournament

30+ community members became paid employees of the Sports Development project

12 young adults joined our Farmers of Future program in Kruger

2 ablution blocks built which benefits 98 members of the Linda Farm community in Livingstone
Sports has the opportunity to keep children safe as well as happy, healthy and motivated. By adding a competitive edge it also breeds determination, teamwork and commitment!

- African Impact Cape Town Project team -
The Girl Impact’s goal is to support and educate young girls to help them make better informed decisions as they move towards womanhood, provide educational workshops and encourage income generating activities. Further, we look past just girls and women and empower surrounding boys and men to join and encourage the movement of gender equality. Currently, The Girl Impact is located in Cape Town, South Africa; Moshi, Tanzania and Livingstone, Zambia.

The Girl Impact projects aid in the development and education of girls between the ages of 11 and 18; a crucial time when a girl’s future potential and opportunities can flourish through education, learning skills and social support, or be stunted and stifled by the irreversible effects of child marriage, early pregnancy, HIV and other preventable hardships.
IMPACT

Cape Town

Buyelekhaya feeding project provided 13 children with a hot meal each week.

Moshi

With NAFGEM, 7 girls completed Computer Skills Development training

17 education packs were given to the girls in Girls Club at Msaranga Primary School to assist them to register for the 2018 Academic year.

Overall we spent 22 hours per month facilitating workshops with 98 Boys and Girls on gender equality topics.

Livingstone

The Boys club started in September 2017, with 15 boys joining and having great discussions. 60 girls benefited from the AGEP program which increased farming skills and knowledge about themselves.

Grade 5 career talks. One girl said: “I want to be a doctor when I grow up because then I can help people who are sick”. Having this career talk motivated this girl to work hard to reach her dream of being a doctor.

In the women’s group we have had an entire course on women’s health, with important topics like: cervical cancer, smear test, breast cancer, breast lumps, pregnancy, safe sex and healthy diet.

We celebrated the International Day of the Girl Child which turned out to be a huge success for the girls, women, volunteers and staff that were present. With the girls, we have held lessons about feelings, and emotions, had them make a book about themselves, held talks on career, nutrition, and we started an environmental and climate talk with those in grade 5.
High ambitions are left only for the boys. But, attitudes are changing and, through our Girl Impact project, we are teaching girls to aim high. Girl Impact student Sipiwe has taken this quite literally and dreams of becoming a pilot. She shrugs-off the belief that it is not a job for women. It is considered a bad thing for girls, boys think girls can’t fly a plane. But, with hard work, I can be whatever I want.

- Sipiwe, GI Participant
Africa is famous for its amazing wildlife. We assist in its conservation through our wildlife research and monitoring work. Our work also impacts on tourism regulations that benefit wildlife and provides useful data to enhance ongoing research by other organisations.

African Impact Foundation works towards reducing the negative impact of humans on conservation by:

- Environment and species protection through research, action and monitoring
- Conservation education and inspiration
- Improving animals lives in sanctuaries and assisting with release programs

**Conservation**

1. 1250 photographs taken to identify individual predators in Kruger
2. 18 Camera traps were donated to track movements of predators
3. 8 boat drivers were trained in responsible dolphin watching practices in Zanzibar
4. 80 students participated in conservation club in Zanzibar to appreciate the marine environment
In the past year our foundation has contributed substantially to the better understanding of leopard populations and densities in the Greater Kruger area, a topic of research that is [surprisingly] largely unknown and under resourced. This has been achieved through the acquisition of numerous camera traps which are crucial to this research. With this information we are better able to protect this iconic and illusive apex predator that are essential in healthy and balanced ecosystems within their natural habitat. Our ultimate goal being to ensuring the long term and sustainable survival of leopards.

- Stuart Isham Fairbairns, Business Manager - Greater Kruger Area.
What's to come in 2018

With our new name change to The African Impact Foundation, an extremely passionate team, and dedicated donors, we expect 2018 to be a thriving year. 2018 brings an exciting time to celebrate our 10 years of impact in Eastern and Southern Africa. We will join together to celebrate what has been accomplished in these past ten years and how our impact will expand over the next ten years!

To give you a sneak peak into 2018, you can expect some projects to include:

New space to expand the Maasai Literacy program in Moshi
Seedballs Throw and Grow Conservation Program in Kenya to enrich the environment
Creche Builds and School Refurbishments in Cape Town, Livingstone, Limuru and St. Lucia
Phototherapy Machines in Kenya to help babies born with jaundice recover
Farmers of the Future Program in Greater Kruger
Wakipa Women Business and Development Program in Moshi
Starting a new Girl Impact Community centre in Livingstone to expand our program
As African Impact Foundation’s impact is continuously growing, so is our team. We were proud to include 8 interns in 2017. These interns brought extreme value to our team, bringing fresh perspectives, fundraising ideas, collecting and reporting impact data and assisting with our social media and finances. Our interns come from countries all around the world which include: Austria, Japan, Malta, Norway, UK and USA.

One of our intern reflects on his internship: “The internship also offered me a great opportunity to deepen the understanding of development and NGO management. Working on the grass route level allowed me to observe how the community is changing, and how NGOs have been contributing towards its development. It was very interesting to learn how the team manages the projects, and being able to see how the projects are making impacts on the community even in a short term was amazing.”
African Impact Foundation would not be able to remain sustainable without your extremely generous donations, whether big or small. We would like to extend a very warm thank you to each and every donor who made 2017 such a successful year.

We would also like to thank:

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**Partners**

- NAFGEM
- Sporting Chance
- GAPA
- Café Roux
- African Impact
How to get involved

African Impact Foundation would love for you to get involved whether it is through donating, volunteering, interning or using your influence.

Donate:
To make a donation, please visit our website at www.africanimpactfoundation.org/donate

Volunteer:
To volunteer on our projects, please visit www.africanimpact.com

Intern:
To build your skills through a hands-on experience in NGO Management inquire about our internships in seven different locations at info@africanimpactfoundation.org
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