



Give a Child a

...it's where they belong

family

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VISION & MISSION

Children in secure families... it's where they belong!

- Protect children by placing their best interest at the centre of all GCF programmes.
- Provide communities and organisations with skills and competencies to ensure a nurturing and safe environment for children.
- Promote temporary safe care for orphaned and vulnerable children with a focus on family based care as an alternative to long term institutionalisation.
- Pursue our commitment to be a quality service provider, capacity builder and mentor, innovator and agent of change.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN



On behalf of the GCF Board of Trustees, I would like to pronounce our heartfelt gratitude to the Almighty God who has allowed us to be part of what He has been doing during the 2018 year of activities at GCF. We have no doubt that it is by God's grace that GCF is even able to hold this AGM.

Over the past twelve months we have witnessed God's hand on GCF in different ways – among which are the following:

1. The building and completion of the cottages that were desired to host visitors that come to GCF. The Lord's provision was evident in this project.
2. The completion of the Strategic Plan 2030 under the watchful eye and able assistance of Patricia Martin. The strategy was approved by the Trustees and the Exec was mandated by the Trustees to develop it further. As Trustees we are happy with the emphasis of this strategy on Integrated Child Protection Services, Deinstitutionalisation, Foster Care, Kinship Care, Inclusive Care and Protection for Children with Disabilities and Capacity Building to Strengthen Child Care and Protection.
3. A successful meeting was held with the Child Rights Commissioner, Ms Angie Makwetla, and UNICEF, where a plan was started, forging Child Protection forward for 2019 and onward.
4. Monica was also nominated for the South African Heroes programme and featured on E-TV as a South African Hero for the whole month of December 2018.

We thank the Lord for enabling Monica to keep GCF relations with the international world alive and active. During the past year, Monica traveled extensively overseas. The results of these travels are evident in the returns that GCF has earned. We continue to enjoy the support of our longstanding supporters as well as new friends that have been added to our list of supporters.

As we all know, nothing happens in this world in the absence of money. The Lord says in His Word that the silver and gold are His. We also know that GCF is owned by Him. It is for this reason that in the past year, God has again ensured that GCF's needs were met. He did this by providing us with the finances we needed. We thank God for our sister Charmaine Wagenaar who is responsible for the daily use of GCF funds. Charmaine has again fed the Trustees with the right information that has helped us to make the decisions we made over the past year. We trust that our conservative approach in the use of God's money at GCF has met with the staff's appreciation of the hard times we went through in 2018 – without compromising job security.

The Trustees are thankful to the Lord for the work that God is doing in the lives of the children He has entrusted GCF with. We also thank Him for the whole team that He has put together to take care of these children under the able leadership of Monica and the passionate Executive Team. But most importantly, we thank God for His continued presence at GCF.



George Muisi

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In 1979 the need to protect the rights and welfare of the African child was noted by the Organisation of African Unity (origin of the African Union). This culminated in the development of the African Charter. South Africa ratified the African Charter on 7 January 2000. However, 40 years later the situation remains the same...

AFRICAN CHARTER ON THE RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF THE CHILD
OAU Doc. CAB/LEG/24.9/49 (1990), entered into force Nov. 29, 1999.

NOTING WITH CONCERN that the situation of most African children, remains critical due to the unique factors of their socio-economic, cultural, traditional and developmental circumstances, natural disasters, armed conflicts, exploitation and hunger, and on account of the child's physical and mental immaturity he/she needs special safeguards and care.

The above is an extract from the AFRICAN CHARTER ON THE RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF THE CHILD.

Leaving a blotch on us as South Africans and honestly speaking, very little change has taken place as far as Child Protection, Rights and Responsibilities are concerned.

When moving around Africa as we have been doing for years, very few people know little and understand less on anything about the Rights and Welfare of the Child. Many Africans believe it is a modern European concept imposed on us, HOWEVER, with the right input, education and training, it is amazing to see the 'AHA! Factor' when people are exposed to the truth and faced with THE MANY FACES OF ABUSE. There seems to be a genuine desire to bring change.

Thereafter the desire to be the change agents materialised - leaders in 6 countries in Africa have taken Child Protection to another level.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IN AFRICA – FOR AFRICA BY AFRICA – GCF'S SOCIAL JUSTICE IS AN AFRI-CENTRIC PROGRAMME

An innovative tool to bring about understanding for children's safeguarding, ensuring there is a commitment to Child Protection and Policies for organisations; Faith Based Organisations, Boards, Traditional Leaders, Municipalities, Businesses, Schools and Communities

If you are neutral in situations of injustice you have chosen the side of the oppressor.
– Desmond Tutu



"LET US BE THE CHANGE WE WANT TO SEE IN THE WORLD"

I remember being asked in an interview, "so all this child protection, will we ever see change?" I would love to believe that we will, as we continue to find ways and means of bringing truth and tools to the challenges we face in Africa and South Africa.

IT IS TIME. We will continue the struggle until it is done! Strength and growth come through continuous effort, prayer, persistence, patience, self-sacrifice and unselfishness.

A big thank you to the Board for their ongoing commitment to the vision of 'Children in Secure Families', keeping us focused and accountable. We are so blessed to have you all as our guides, support and mentors. Dr George Mnisi (Chairperson) leads with a strong but gentle spirit. Basil Woodhouse (Deputy Chair) leads us with years of experience of the NGO world and much wisdom. Roger Jasson, Dudu Khowa, Kasturi Naidoo, Louise Kretzschmar, Musa Ngcongo you are all valuable and we are very grateful for your support, dedication and the expertise you all bring to the table.

To the Directors, no one can be more blessed to have such a strong, dedicated and committed team in and out of season. Charmaine Wagenaar, Lydia Gordon, Nomvuyi Sukantaka and Steven Wetton, you are all unique and together we will see the change we talk about! Let's keep focused on the GOAL! "*Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*" Galatians 6:9

To the Management, Staff and Volunteers, you are all just beyond amazing in your commitment to these beautiful children, families and organisations. Thank you all!

In going back to the roots and basics, one of the things that was a reminder to us in 2018 is that PRAYER is still the only way that changes things and people, so monthly prayer times were set up again, where staff could join on a voluntary basis, and these meetings have been such a blessing to us all. They are led by Nico and Alma Leonard. "*He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who wait on the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.*" Isaiah 40:29-31

The year was very much spent at looking at the way forward for Give a Child a Family; strategizing, learning and being stretched to grow and develop further (please see page 27). The plans have been accepted and passed by the Board of Trustees, GCF 2030 here we come...



ADVOCACY AND COALITIONS - TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER!!!

"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."
— African Proverb

Monica Woodhouse

INTEGRATED CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES

The objective of the department is to provide prevention and early intervention services ensuring that GCF contributes to strengthening and building capacity of our beneficiaries, both internal and external.

SOCIAL SERVICES

During the year we experienced an increase in requests for social relief and family support services. The effective referral system to other service providers ensured that families received the services that were needed.

SOCIAL WORK SERVICES

GCF believes in the work that the social workers do, their role, their services are vital to the well-being of the country and our children and families. However the challenges they face are insurmountable and devastating having to pick up the pieces of a broken society that we live in. Social workers are burning out and leaving the profession and moving into the business sector, or going into the international realm.

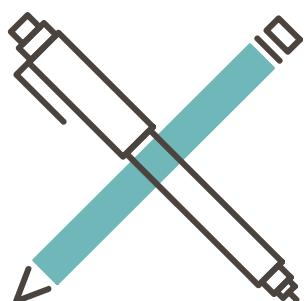
Locally GCF tries in a small way to bring relief to the local social workers by running quarterly forums in order to enhance and create "a joy" in the life of our social workers, fostering connectedness, wellness and de-stressing. These forums were attended by 62 Social Service Professionals quarterly. Two meetings were held with managers to link and learn from each other.

Nationally and Provincially our GCF Social Workers are involved in the bodies together with Department of Social Development around the Children's Act Amendment, National Plan of Action For Children, and any other matters pertaining to the work of Children and their well-being.

02 Social Work Students from Jönköping University in Sweden

01 Block Placement from Walter Sisulu University

01 Human Rights Protection Practitioner from Zimbabwe



FOSTER CARE RESULTS

- 08 Foster Care Recruitment Sessions
- 22 Foster Care Information Sessions
- 16 Foster Care Applications
- 25 Foster Care Screenings
- 05 Foster Care Trainings
- 04 Foster Care Approvals
- 22 Foster Care Placements (Internal, External & Holiday Placements)
- 24 Foster Parents/Families on our Database
- 165 Foster Care Support Group Attendance
- 245 Annual Foster Care Forum Attendance



**Children have the right
to be protected within
the family...

and the responsibility to
do their part for the
family to function as a
unit.**

HELPDESK



Adoption enquiries referred to Child Welfare Port Shepstone or Social Workers in private practices. It has emerged that there were last minute adoption amendments to the Children's Act which might change the face of adoptions in South Africa. One proposal by DSD is that there should be no fees paid for adoption services. Currently, there has been a lot of public debate regarding this matter.

ADOPTION FACES A CRISIS IN THIS COUNTRY. The Children's Amendment Bill is under review. GCF is part of the process, influencing and bringing change on a policy scale to this very important matter!

Development Division

LOCAL UGU DISTRICT TRAINING, CAPACITY BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT

GCF implements Prevention and Early Intervention Programmes in the Ugu community focusing on empowering women, children, youth and families.

FAMILY STRENGTHENING

133 Parents/Caregivers - Recruitment and baseline assessments

223 Children of above - Recruitment

133 Parenting Skills training

54 Coping with Death and Trauma

IKHAYALETHU HOME OF LOVE AND CARE

27 Volunteers and Caregivers were trained in Basic Child and Youth Care in Residential Facilities

CAPACITY BUILDING

9 Abounding Hope Community Development staff and board members trained in Board Development and Good Governance

SOCIAL JUSTICE

60 Religious Leaders trained in KwaNdwalane Accountability Church Council (KACC) - Betania Circuit



2,000,000
CHILDREN
INFLUENCED

PROTECTIVE BEHAVIOURS

15 Schools

6504 Learners

2 Crèches

55 Crèche Learners

31 Training/Information Session/Workshop

1577 Participants attended Training/Information Session/Workshop



Children have the right to not get bullied and to stand up for themselves...

and the responsibility to not bully others and to be kind to everyone.

WE ALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO FEEL SAFE AT ALL TIMES!

Protective Behaviours is an empowerment and safeguarding tool for children, educators and families. Successful partnership with the Ugu District Municipality's Office on the Rights of the Child, enabled the team to reach prioritised schools in the Ugu District.

"I feel empowered to change the life of not just my children, but also other children."

"I learnt how to report abuse."

"I learnt to anticipate that children really want someone to feel safe with that they could confide in."

#CHILDRENSLIVESMATTER

DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

MOZAMBIQUE

After the long delay and effort expended in getting the registration as a Temporary Safe Care facility for Matsatse approved, there was great excitement to hear that it finally came through in February 2018. Marred with various other challenges and further delays, including the death of an important staff member, the project will be revisited in early 2019.

The government was in the process to implement some new laws into the children's sector, so there was no work done in 2018 with UNICEF, the Mozambican Government and GCF. We received a final reply on 18 October 2018 to indicate that as we don't have a staff member directly employed that was fluent in Portuguese, we could not be considered for the next round of the application. We hope that this will change when the Matsatse project gets up and running again.

RWANDA

GCF conducted Good Governance sessions in partnership with Läkarmissionen and our involvement in this project has officially ended.

KENYA

After ten years of working in Kenya, being the first to introduce Foster Care to the Kenyan Government and other NGO's, it is time to say goodbye to our office in Kenya. Unfortunately we had to close the doors as there was not enough funding to sustain the work in Kenya.

In April 2018, Steven and Monica were invited to attend the Lumos Conference for Family Care and Deinstitutionalisation and although it was sad to say goodbye to Grace Mwangi, it all worked out that her resignation and subsequent employment with Lumos, will give GCF an opportunity to retain some kind of presence in Kenya whilst not having to bear the cost of maintaining an office. There is much opportunity and the relationships are maintained as there will be further opportunity to work together in the future.

The great work at Pumwani hospital in Nairobi will continue as the abandonment of babies has reduced in the five years we have worked there, from 119 abandoned babies to almost ZERO!!!



HOW?? PARENTING SKILLS TRAINING!!!

GCF believes that if ALL PARENTS were given the same opportunity to be developed and trained, there would be a remarkable shift toward nation building in Africa.

3760

Parents, Child Care Workers and Religious Leaders trained

IT IS EASIER TO BUILD STRONG CHILDREN THAN IT IS TO FIX A BROKEN ADULT.



TRANSFORM AFRICA ALLIANCE

Transform Africa Alliance Partners meeting was held on the 19th to the 20th of November 2018 in Kampala, Uganda. Partners from 8 countries come together to discuss successes, challenges, linking and learning strategies to end the institutional care of children in Africa. The countries include South Africa, Uganda, Ghana, Rwanda, Kenya, Tanzania, Sudan and Lesotho, who has just joined the Alliance. The Alliance also seeks to influence funding to focus on family based care rather than funding institutions globally.

**Children have the right to
a nationality...
and the responsibility to
be respectful and law
abiding citizens.**

COMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT MEETING, LONDON

Ntombi Qoyi was identified by TAA to represent care leavers in Africa at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in London in April 2018.

She had several opportunities to talk to various Heads of State and dialogues around 'Leave No One Behind'. The youth put forward various matters that they wanted the member states to commit to and we are happy to report that it was accepted!

The Commonwealth Youth Forum Final Document article 53, states:

All member states to renew their commitment to 'Leave No One Behind', recognizing that many millions of children and young people still live in institutions, in Africa, they are denied the love of a family and at increased risk of harm, neglect and violence. As part of this commitment, member states should:

1. Allocate funding to end institutionalization by transforming their care system to one that supports families not institutions;
2. Gather better data about children's care status, family environment and the scale of the proliferation of institutions of children; and
3. Build the capacity and expertise of youth workers, social workers and health workers to be drivers of change and reform.



SOCIAL JUSTICE

CHILD PROTECTION IN SA: A BLEAK STATE OF AFFAIRS

GCF's Social Justice is very Afri-centric, working with the African Charter has made this programme extremely successful in bringing change to the religious fraternity in Africa.

It is a Kin-aesthetic way of learning through: Workshopping, Dialoguing, Group and Tactile Work.

Social Justice is an exciting programme to be part of and the idea that #ChildProtectionIsEveryonesBusiness makes everyone believe that they have the power to change things now, which is what we want to achieve! Immediate change in communities, schools and households with regards to child protection.

Give a Child a Family believes that KNOWLEDGE IS POWER. EMPOWERMENT is the process of becoming stronger and more confident, BUILDING people and releasing and unlocking the doors for growth and change.

Commitment samples made of South African Faith Based and Traditional Leaders:

- "I commit to make sure my home is a safe space for children, woman and the vulnerable."
- "I commit to making sure no one's rights are trampled on in any space I find myself in."
- "I commit to being a person that anyone, including children, can trust wholly to ensure that I don't betray anyone's confidence in dealing with their sensitive matters."
- "I commit to being a brother, uncle, father, and a positive role model to anyone that might want to follow my example."
- "I commit to never turn a blind eye on anyone's rights being compromised and help in any way."
- "I commit to advocate for child rights, start group sessions for awareness, mobilise communities for consultations, work with relevant stakeholders to advance knowledge and preach openly about child protection and how God views children."

Comments from participants:

"I've learned what I used to do to my children and grandchildren needs to change, imposing thing to them without considering their views and feelings. Learn to listen to my children. Learn to stop being angry with my children when they have done something wrong. Stop being a monster."

"I have learned that we cannot continue to blame the past for things that happened before instead we can stand together and prove our way forward. I felt that as things stand the abuse of the upbringing of kids around South Africa, people are too busy to see what is wrong or not try to help a little one, instead we spend so much on things not important."

"Unity in our diversity. Never get stuck on past negative practices. Make family units conductive to raise kids."

SOCIAL JUSTICE TRAINING - SOUTH AFRICA

Social Justice is a powerful tool to bring lasting change - "You don't know what you don't know"

- **Murchison with KwanDwalane Accountability Council of Churches - Official Delegates**



KPACC for the development of the Child Protection Policy.

- **Hluhluwe with South African Holiness Union Church Board**



- Cape Town for UNICEF Traditional and Religious Leaders and National DSD Child Protection Unit**



This was a big opportunity to be recognised by the Faith Based and Traditional structure in South Africa and a further benefit was that this coincided with the Men's Parliament held the Sunday after the training. Social Justice is an excellent tool for the promotion and development of #ChildrensSafetyNo1 and ensuring that there is a Child Protection Agenda in every religious, and traditional organisation throughout South Africa.

An accountability group was formed from this group of leaders which Nomvuyi Sukantaka from GCF is part of and the follow up will be to source funding to roll out the programme in all the provinces with all the various structures.

Our involvement in the Social Justice Workshop in Cape Town has the possibility to really yield further results in terms of the Promotion of Child Protection in South Africa. The workshop was well received by delegates and further deliberations will continue for the various provinces.

- Pretoria for the Interact Project**



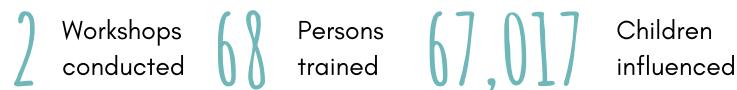
GCF continues mentoring the trained facilitators. The area of influence over children grow as the facilitators continue to grow and develop their own spheres of influence, being communities, government's radio, TV and Principals of other schools.

SOCIAL JUSTICE TRAINING - AFRICA

- Tanzania - Kibondo Area at Muhange Mission**



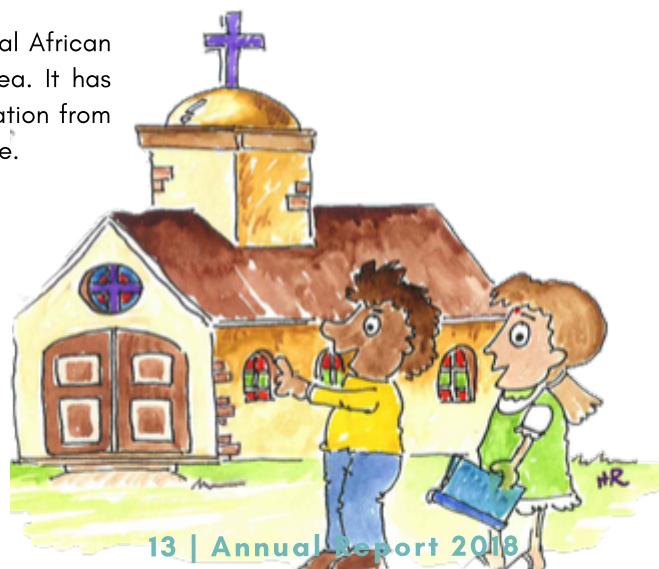
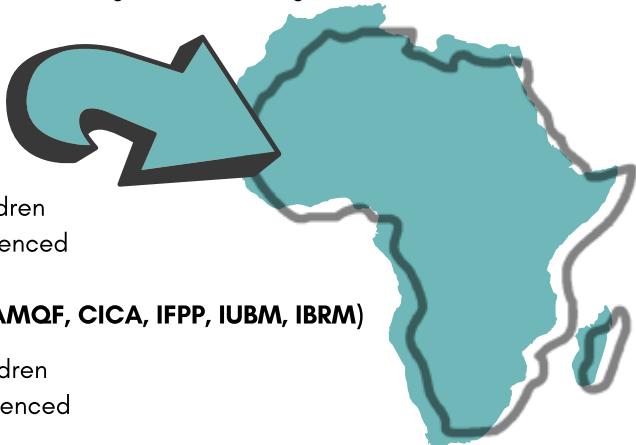
- Maputo - IFPP Training Institute (5 organisations: AMQF, CICA, IFPP, IUBM, IBRM)**



The workshop was well received and one of the very pleasing outcomes was that Children's Rights (as taught by GCF) has been included in the curriculum taught by IFPP, (teachers training institute) which is the only recognised non-university trainer of Pre-School teachers. This translates into a huge reach in the country of Mozambique for Children's Rights.

Unfortunately the follow up visit that was planned for the Central African Republic did not happen due to unrest and violence in the area. It has been decided that it might be better to engage with the delegation from the C.A.R. in another country as the situation remains volatile there.

Once again, Social Justice has proven to be a versatile programme that is relevant to the needs of the organisations that we are working with. It was most pleasing to note the results that are coming out of the Interact Partners reports, with activities like radio shows and training for Government Officials being noted. The Interact project is now drawing to a close. However, there is a possibility for further development with other organisations that are requesting further intervention.



CHILD & YOUTH CARE CENTRE OPERATING AS TEMPORARY SAFECARE

Give a Child a Family's Child and Youth Care Centre focuses on the nurturing developmental needs of all children in temporary safe care. These children did not ask to be here, so it is important that they stay as short as absolutely necessary, ensuring that they are restored and reintegrated to safe and secure families only. It is vital that whilst they are with us that they are exposed to life outside of the walls of the centre.

rescue

43	Children admitted
28	Case Conferences
128	Individual Development Plans
94	Care Plans



restore

94	Children in the CYCC for the whole year	46	Children prepared for discharge
194	Play Therapy Sessions	41	Children referred to external professionals
93	Individual Therapy Sessions	18	Life Skills Group Work Sessions
27	Group Therapy Sessions	97	Family Connect Sessions



**Children have the right
to a good education...**

**and the responsibility to
study and respect their
teachers.**

23 Children attending Brainboosters

14 Children attending ECD

9 Children attending Grade R & Remedial

14 Children attending Grade 1-6

Outings

Town Library
Beach - creative sea art
Annual Sports Day
Year-end Graduation
Holiday Bible Club

Holiday Programme	
Cinema	Shopping Malls
Beach Outings	Hiking
Oribi Nature Reserve	
Ice Skating	Crocodile Farm

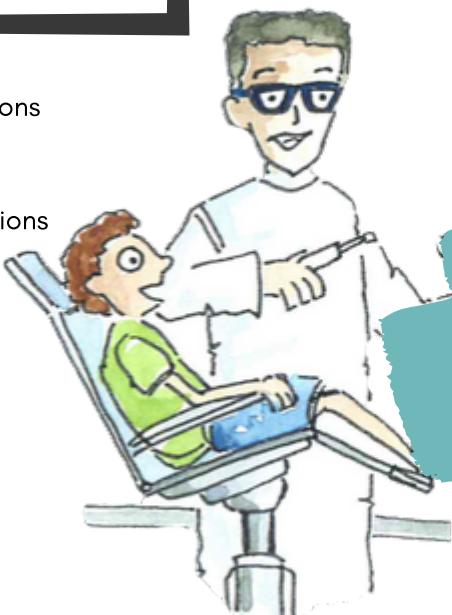
502 Internal Health Interventions

566 External Health Interventions

54 Health Risk Assessments on Admission

60 Dental Services

18 Hospitalisations



**Children have the right
to quality medical care...**

**and the responsibility to
take care of themselves.**

9 Children with Special Needs

2038 Sessions with Occupational Therapist



reintegrate



**Children have the right
to a safe and
comfortable home...**

**and the responsibility
to share in keeping it
clean.**

42

Children discharged

18

Children on Leave of
absence

REASONS FOR DISCHARGE

Reunification - 30

Foster Care - 4

Children's Home - 8

THE PAST OF THE CHILDREN

CANNOT BE CHANGED, BUT GIVE

A CHILD A FAMILY IS CHANGING

THE FUTURE FOR EVERY CHILD,

ONE CHILD AT A TIME.

DE-INSTITUTIONALISATION (Back to Family Programme)

Reunification Services with focus on "Children in secure families, it's where they belong!"

Outcomes

51 Children in the programme who have been assessed

26 Assessments of families have been conducted

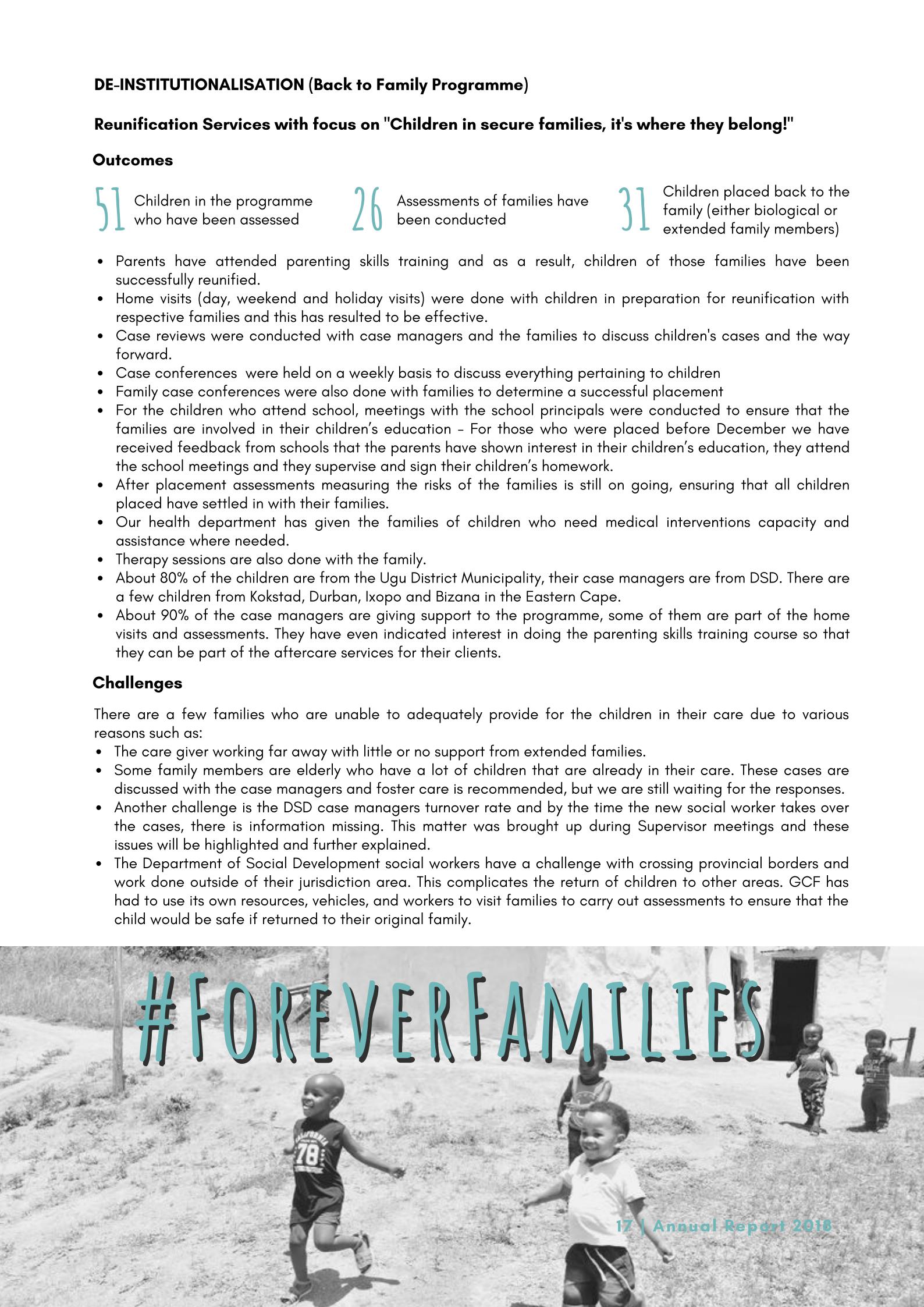
31 Children placed back to the family (either biological or extended family members)

- Parents have attended parenting skills training and as a result, children of those families have been successfully reunified.
- Home visits (day, weekend and holiday visits) were done with children in preparation for reunification with respective families and this has resulted to be effective.
- Case reviews were conducted with case managers and the families to discuss children's cases and the way forward.
- Case conferences were held on a weekly basis to discuss everything pertaining to children
- Family case conferences were also done with families to determine a successful placement
- For the children who attend school, meetings with the school principals were conducted to ensure that the families are involved in their children's education – For those who were placed before December we have received feedback from schools that the parents have shown interest in their children's education, they attend the school meetings and they supervise and sign their children's homework.
- After placement assessments measuring the risks of the families is still on going, ensuring that all children placed have settled in with their families.
- Our health department has given the families of children who need medical interventions capacity and assistance where needed.
- Therapy sessions are also done with the family.
- About 80% of the children are from the Ugu District Municipality, their case managers are from DSD. There are a few children from Kokstad, Durban, Ixopo and Bizana in the Eastern Cape.
- About 90% of the case managers are giving support to the programme, some of them are part of the home visits and assessments. They have even indicated interest in doing the parenting skills training course so that they can be part of the aftercare services for their clients.

Challenges

There are a few families who are unable to adequately provide for the children in their care due to various reasons such as:

- The care giver working far away with little or no support from extended families.
- Some family members are elderly who have a lot of children that are already in their care. These cases are discussed with the case managers and foster care is recommended, but we are still waiting for the responses.
- Another challenge is the DSD case managers turnover rate and by the time the new social worker takes over the cases, there is information missing. This matter was brought up during Supervisor meetings and these issues will be highlighted and further explained.
- The Department of Social Development social workers have a challenge with crossing provincial borders and work done outside of their jurisdiction area. This complicates the return of children to other areas. GCF has had to use its own resources, vehicles, and workers to visit families to carry out assessments to ensure that the child would be safe if returned to their original family.



#FOREVERFAMILIES

international volunteers



- | | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| • Mina Jerlström | 7 months |
| • Emelie Mansson | 4 months |
| • Elin Bergenbrink | 4 months |
| • Alina Edlund | 4 months |
| • Linn Hallberg | 4 months |
| • Rikard & Vilma Mases | 7 months |
| • Maria Smeds | Regular Volunteer |

ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS WERE MATURE,
COMPETENT, COMPASSIONATE AND TRUE
SERVANT LEADERS!

It was also special to see how volunteers build friendships with each other and how they stay connected, even after leaving GCF. They are also great ambassadors in Sweden for the work of GCF. A big thank you to these special people who give of their time and money to serve Give a Child a Family. We really appreciate our volunteers. They bring in so much extra skills, needed hands and lots of love and compassion to make life better for all of us!

THE HEART OF A VOLUNTEER IS NOT MEASURED IN SIZE, BUT
BY THE DEPTH OF THE COMMITMENT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS

SUPPORT SERVICES

HUMAN RESOURCES

Seven Child and Youth Care Workers started the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) course in Child and Youth Care Work. National Association of Child Care Workers (NACCW) facilitates the course at GCF's training venue. These colleagues will be qualified Child and Youth Care Workers by August 2019.

The residential social worker and the therapy assistant were given the opportunity to study through UNISA. The social worker completed the one-year course "Dealing with Problem Behavior for Children" and the therapy assistant is in the final year of the two-year course "Advanced Counselling".

In 2018 there was an increase requirement for extra workers, mainly in the childcare department. Reasons are the above-mentioned course as it has one week a month in-class training as well as predominantly children with special needs were frequently admitted at hospitals due to their complex health condition. These workers, who work on a casual basis, are stars as they often get a 'last-moment' phone call and they drop whatever they are busy with and come to assist with the care of the children at GCF.

78	Staff at the beginning of the year
8	Terminations – 4 Resignations, 4 Contracts expired
9	Appointments for vacancies
79	Staff at the end of the year

Long Service Awards



IT

The biggest challenge in the department was the loss of critical data due to hardware failure in October! It took a few months to recover most of the information while some of the information was lost permanently.

MAINTENANCE

The maintenance team is responsible for maintaining two properties - Child and Youth Care Centre, with a house and two newly-built cottages on the other side of the dam, and Family Based Care Centre in Raleigh Road. The team perform a high standard of maintenance on buildings, projects and garden services. The team works strictly according to the National Building Regulations.

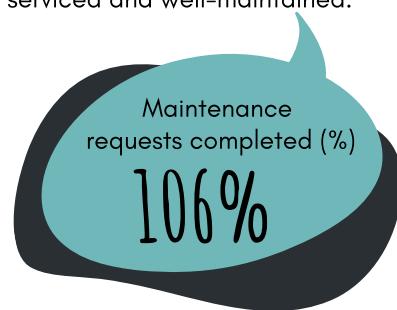


COMPLETION OF HOUSES WERE DONE IN 2018

The maintenance team also ensures that the fleet of 13 vehicles are cleaned, serviced and well-maintained.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

GCF believes that Health & Safety is a vital component of the organisation - a good Health and Safety record goes hand in hand with increased productivity and high standards, therefore we are busy implementing the new ISO 45001 International Standard for Occupational Health and Safety. Employees are the most important asset to this organisation, and therefore their safety, health and welfare is a priority at all times. GCF also want to ensure the safety, health and welfare of all residential children, volunteers, visitors and service providers.



The organisation believes that prevention is not only better, but cheaper than cure. From a legal perspective, the organisation is committed to ensuring that it complies with all relevant Health and Safety legislation. Where it is reasonably practical to do so, the organisation will strive to go beyond the requirements of legislation.

GCF is committed to on-going monitoring and review processes, so that continual improvement in the management of Health and Safety can be achieved.

The following training was given to GCF staff:

- OHS Basic Training
- Fire prevention Training
- Hazard Identification Risk Training
- Driver Training
- Evacuation Training
- ISO 45001 Training

84	Safety Inspections	03	Reportable Incidents
04	OHS Committee meetings	11	OHS Representative meetings



HOUSEKEEPING

The housekeeping team was responsible for sorting of donations, the cleaning of all the buildings, and the smooth running of the laundry. Our Laundry staff worked 365 days a year, washing an average of 60kg of laundry per day.

KITCHEN

The kitchen team was responsible for preparing food for the children, volunteers, and staff as well as catering for training and functions.



FINANCE

12 financial reports were submitted during the year and the annual audit was completed. The Audited Financial Statement is prepared, distributed and available on request.

THE PLACE OF RESTORATION TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at

31 December 2018

	Notes	2018 R	2017 R
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	2	7 058 133	7 660 170
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	3	527 130	920 265
Cash and cash equivalents	4	4 771 062	1 984 368
		5 298 192	2 904 633
TOTAL ASSETS		12 356 325	10 564 803
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES			
Funds			
Trust capital	5	100	100
Accumulated funds			
- Funds representing fixed assets values		7 058 133	7 660 170
- Unrestricted funds		(34 379)	(614 476)
Total Trust Funds		7 023 854	7 045 794
Liabilities			
Non-current liabilities			
Restricted funds	7	4 427 280	2 397 897
Long-term borrowings	8	261 281	522 562
		4 688 561	2 920 459
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	6	382 629	337 269
Current portion of long-term borrowings	8	261 281	261 281
		643 910	598 550
Total liabilities		5 332 471	3 519 009
TOTAL CAPITAL and LIABILITIES		12 356 325	10 564 803

THE PLACE OF RESTORATION TRUST

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 December 2018

	2018 R	2017 R
Revenue	9 404 570	7 142 966
Other income	3 581 098	5 285 508
Total income	12 985 668	12 428 474
Operating expenses	(14 268 246)	(13 710 278)
Operating deficit	(1 282 578)	(1 281 804)
Investment revenue	66 532	42 074
Capital expenditure expensed	1 194 106	557 410
Net deficit for the year	(21 940)	(682 320)

FUNDRAISING & MARKETING

FUNDRAISING

Anyone working in the NGO space knows the challenges of fundraising and it is no different for us. Immediate results seem to be required, without the thought of sustainable services. Politics in Africa has made its way into the NGO space and NGO independence is something that we have to continue advocating for; our voice, our way of doing things, our service delivery, our care.

We said goodbye to Irene Chetty who helped us out for a season as a consultant, but we were thoroughly blessed with Sindile Kubayi who started in May 2018. She has been a gem and taught us much about corporates and CSI, and we have also really started pursuing the monthly contributions of individuals which is growing by the month.

137 Proposals submitted 17 New monthly contributions 121 Individual donors

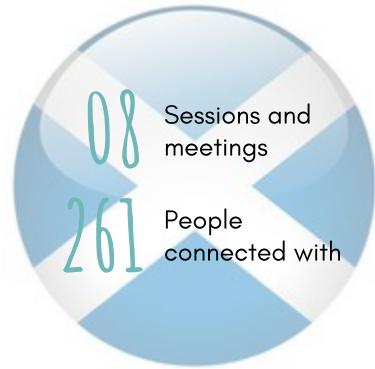
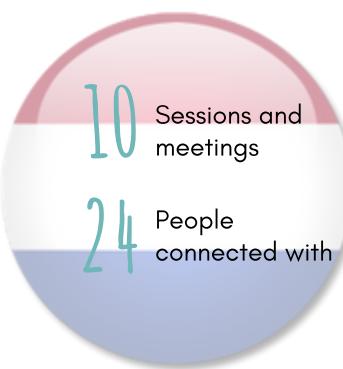


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FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION AND
SUPPORT IN 2018!

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- OSA Creative Marketing
- Port Shepstone Rotary
- Pick n Pay
- Child Welfare Margate
- Benoni Word Life Church
- Albany
- Must-Byt Fisheries
- Beekman Group
- Shoprite Margate
- SARS Port Shepstone
- Coastals
- San Lameer Country Club
- Dutch Reform Church
- Screens and Signs (Lightning Printers)
- Jabrew Café
- The Mercury Children's holiday home
- BMW
- Super Tyres Durban North
- South Coast Rotary Club
- EFF Womens command of UGU
- Sage Foundation
- Credit Guarantee Institute Group

- Harcourts Shelly Beach
- Lobster Pot Ramsgate
- Blue Lagoon Ramsgate
- News Café Umhlanga
- Food Forward SA
- Deloitte and Touche
- Mac Banana
- Woolworths
- Radio Sunny South
- Fidelity Security Group
- Margate Sands
- Crossfit Wild Coast
- Fish on the River
- ECR - Toy story
- Petra Bikers Fellowship
- Santa Shoebox
- Uvongo River Resort
- Hibiscus Helping Hands
- Converse Strategy
- Beyers Joubert
- South City Pre-Primary
- Roaring Trade Magazine





INTERNATIONAL FUNDRAISING

"... There are no easy answers. A number of organisations such as the International Monetary Fund, World Bank and SA Reserve Bank have reduced South Africa's growth prospects and tough conditions are unlikely to ease in 2019 for the local NPO sector... As long as NPOs challenge themselves to be innovative, not only in terms of funding models, but also in terms of practices and approaches, they will continue to survive and to provide essential services and support." This article was written by Nomvula Dlamini, Inyathelo trustee and executive director of the Community Development Resource Association and first appeared on biz community website www.bizcommunity.com taken from SANGONET.

With 201,000 NGO's clamoring for funding, NGO's need to be nimble and innovative. So, we continue to serve our nation and Africa with professionalism and we are so grateful for all the amazing people, organisations and businesses that support us in all our endeavors.

DONOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We are truly blessed with the most supportive funders, who not only believe in the work we do, but who also has the vision of the long term goal that we want to achieve. They see the impact and understand our vision, and carry us through our difficult times to continue fighting for a better tomorrow for all. We are so thankful and grateful to have all of them on board and we sometimes feel that a 'thank you' is not enough to express our sincere gratitude. Without them and God on our side, our dreams of a better, safer world would not come true.

Donors 2018 incl Capital Funding > R100,000

- 30% - Läkarmissionen
- 17% - Rheinhallt Jones Trust
- 16% - Department of Social Development
- 7% - Mergon Foundation
- 5% - GCF Sweden
- 5% - National Lotteries Commission
- 5% - Sackaios
- 5% - Johannabode
- 3% - DG Murray Trust
- 2% - Various - Local
- 2% - Fresenius Kabi SA
- 2% - Evangeliska Frikyrkan
- 1% - Friends of GCF Scotland



MARKETING

2018 was a very exciting year in Marketing. We had quite a few campaigns and with the assistance of Sneha Shangase as the Marketing Assistant, Monica Woodhouse was featured on ETV as a South African Hero for the whole month of December 2018. We launched our beautiful new website at the AGM on 20 July 2018. Our 'Going Green' campaign was presented at local schools as part of a fundraiser and to educate and empower children on personal safety. The wonderful bikers from Petra Bikers Fellowship also had a successful 'Bikers Against Child Abuse' run with hopes of it becoming a national run in 2019. 2018 also saw the start of one of the most exciting campaigns so far, the Dundee2Dundee campaign, and has garnered much support and many followers from around the world. Quarterly articles about GCF were featured in Coastals and Roaring Trade magazine and we were also given 'air time' on local radio station, Radio Sunny South, on various topics related to child protection. A very successful Women's Day Auction was held at JaBrew Cafe and Mandela Day was a massive success! Thank you to everyone who contributed to all our campaigns.



Networking



ORGANISATIONS AND STAKEHOLDER	PURPOSE
RADIO SUNNY SOUTH	The purpose was to reach the wider UGU community and share information bi-weekly pertaining to their social wellbeing and also addressing issues affecting vulnerable groups and children.
CLINICS: THEMBALESIZWE, BREAMER, MURCHISON, GAMALAKHE, BHOMELA AND GCILIMA CLINICS	The aim of the clinic drives was to inform people about organisation services and recruitment for Foster Parenting.
SPECIAL INVITES PROTECTIVE BEHAVIOUR RECEIVED FROM: SIZOPHUMELELA (UMZINTO), HIBBERDENE ACADEMY, MAFUMBUKA HIGH SCHOOLS (UMLAZI) JOHN PAUL CHILDREN'S CENTRE BETHANY EVANGELICAL CHURCH(HOLIDAY PROGRAMME GROUP)	Stakeholder engagements with specific topics with the specific target groups "Creating Safe Spaces for Children".
DSD PROVINCIAL CHILD CARE AND PROTECTION FORUM	This is the DSD quarterly meeting where all offices working with children come together and discuss Child care and Protection matters including foster care services, Community Based Organisations, Child and Youth Care Centres, Social ills.
CHILD PROTECTION WEEK AWARENESS/CAMPAIN	Promoting 365 days of child protection in collaboration with various civil society organisations and government departments. Community campaign drives included local doctors' rooms, medical centres, hospital and library to represent our organization and to encourage people to participate in Child protection matters.
LEGAL-AID	Legal services available to GCF and attending the annual stakeholders meeting where Legal aid team share about their yearly achievements, highlights, challenges and the services they render to the public.
ISIPHEPELO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT(UNDERBERG)	This organisation contacted us as they were interested to know about our foster care services. They would like to implement similar programme in their organisation.
VIANNEY CHILD AND YOUTH CARE CENTRE (NDWEDWE)	Linking and learning and future partnership.
MARGATE CHILD WELFARE WOMEN'S PROGRAMME FOR SENIOR CITIZENS	The aim of this programme was to celebrate the lives and acknowledge the important role of our senior citizens in caring for their grandchildren.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ADOLESCENT YOUTH HEALTH FORUM	This is a Forum formed by Department of Health (DoH). Its goal is to provide guidance to departments and organizations working with DoH on how to respond to the health needs of young people.
WOMEN'S PROGRAMME (CHILD WELFARE PORT SHEPSTONE)	This was a Women's month celebration event. In South Africa, 9 August is Women's Day and the month of August is National Women's Month. This is an opportunity to celebrate women's achievements and the important role that women of all races and religions have played and continue to play in South African society.
CHILD WELFARE MARGATE AND PORT SHEPSTONE 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM	The issues around women and child abuse were unpacked by different officials from different departments like SAPS, Thuthuzela Centre, Family Child Services, etc.
UGU NPO SOCIAL ACTION COALITION (UNSAT)	Born in June; a group of 20 local NPO's joining up to serve as one voice for Child Protection and Family Matters in the Ugu District.



KWANDWALANE ACCOUNTABILITY CHURCH COUNCIL - KACC	Social Justice Training, The World Needs a Father.
MEDIA GATE	Filming of the GCF Programmes for fundraising presentations.
ETHIOPIAN PARTNERS WITH LÄKARMISSIONEN	Training and capacity building of Läkarmissionen Partners.
E-TV	E-TV did a photo shoot of the work of GCF and ran SA Heroes programme throughout December 2018 and part of January 2019.
COMMISSIONER OF CHILDREN RIGHTS, ANGIE MAKWETLA	Meeting held at the HRCSA Offices in Johannesburg as a start to the development of GCF Advocacy Programme.
WAR ROOMS:	Work in the War Room is related to Community Work, within the ambit of GCF's field of Prevention and Early Intervention Services - all the work we do is accounted for in the War Room as per Operation Sukhuma Sakhe Programme (Strengthening Families and Child Protection). War Rooms attended in the following Wards: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ward 3 - KwaMasinenge (Informal settlement)• Ward 7 - Gcilima, Matathi, Thokotha Ngwemabala, Matshekethsele• Ward 8 - Gcilima, Nkothaneni, Dumezulu, Nkaphini• Ward 9 - Gcilima, Bhokodisa, Khuswini• Ward 21 - Murchison, Nobamba, Mdanzi, Mbayimbayi, Mtengwane, Ngayazi• Ward 24 - Betania, Bhomela, Nyandezulu• Ward 25 - Gamalakhe, Madwaleni, Msikaba
NACCA - NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN LIVING WITH AIDS	Our strategic plan determined that GCF has to be selective in the networking work, so we will be leaving some groups.
KZNCSOC - KWAZULU NATAL CIVIL SOCIETY COALITION	Monica Woodhouse handed over Chairmanship to Debbie Heustice - 170 organisational members
PCSSEF - PROVINCIAL CIVIL SOCIETY SECTORIAL ENGAGEMENT FORUM - OFFICE OF THE PREMIER	This started off well, but as the Premiers changed in the Province this group became defunct.
UGU - OFFICE OF THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD	To ensure children's rights are upheld in the local UGU District. Monica Woodhouse - Chairperson. All municipalities in the UGU district are represented.
DTT - DISTRICT TASK TEAM - UGU	All municipalities, government departments, and some civil societies.
DDP - DEMOCRACY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME	Social and Capacity Building Solutions.
VEP - VICTIM EMPOWERMENT (ANTI-RAPE)	Stakeholders Forum - Chaired by Port Shepstone SA Police Cluster
CHILD WELFARE - MARGATE AND PORT SHEPSTONE	Foster Care Database utilisation and Case Management.
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - UGU DISTRICT	NGO's Social Service Professionals - Social Worker Forums.
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	Court Matters and Children's Court.
PASTORS OF CONCERNED CHRISTIAN GROUPS	Capacity Building.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	Health services available to GCF and Stakeholders meetings have been attended as per request by the residential nurse.
NATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	GCF were at the National Child Protection Forum with DSD, and we were part of the National Action Plan of Children 2018-2023.
TRANSFORM AFRICA ALLIANCE (TAA)	The Transform Africa Alliance seeks to influence funding to focus on family based care rather than funding institutions globally.
SIYAVUNA DEVELOPMENT CENTRE	Assistance with Good Governance.
NATION BUILDERS - KZN COLLAB WITH MERGON FOUNDATION	Meetings held quarterly to connect with NGO partners.
NEDBANK CLIENT BREAKFAST	Client Connect
BDO BROKERS	Client Connect
WERELDKINDEREN	Working on EU proposal together submitted 21 August 2018 – unsuccessful, however relationship with WK continues.
UNICEF SA	Child Wellbeing Tracking Tool Concept, Religious and Traditional Leaders training.
NELSON MANDELA CHILDREN'S FUND	Meetings to connect and discuss partnership and joint work.
OAK FOUNDATION	Exploring partnership to safeguard their organisations in Africa.
WILDEGANZEN - HOLLAND	Visit from Ex Funders - looking at new possibilities of connecting.
ABOUNDING HOPE	CBO working in Masinenge Informal Settlement and Good Governance Training and Capacity Building.
DG MURRAY TRUST	Strategic Planning Discussions and Proposals.
LUMOS	Deinstitutionalisation and Conference in Kenya.
WIZO	Wheelchair Distribution to Thuthukani, Harding School, Ikhayalethu, ORC Families UGU, from Israeli Consulate.
INTERACT	Work in 6 countries in Africa with Social Justice and Child Protection Policies for Religious Organisations.
LÄKARMISSIONEN FILM CREW	Film crew filming for a Swedish TV programme, shown on 27 May 2018 for Mother's Day in Sweden called "Mammagalan", a fundraiser that LM was doing.
NATIONAL CHILD CARE AND PROTECTION FORUM	Department of Social Development Nationally – National Social Development Focus Group on Strategies for Child Protection.
KWA ZULU PROVINCE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN	Provincial Body for Child Protection and Children's Rights. Children's Parliament.

We had the pleasure of assisting with the distribution of 28 wheel chairs to children with special needs in the Ugu District. Glory to God!

When the Wheelchairs of Hope donation came from WIZO SA, we had a very special boy in mind. The boy is about 8 years old now, but he was reintegrated with his family two years ago. He had a wheelchair when he left GCF, but it was not in a very good condition and would not have lasted long. We remembered him and knew that he would definitely benefit from the wheelchairs donated to GCF. We made contact with the family, and what a joyous occasion to experience the gift of mobility, not just to him, but also to his parents. He had no other means of 'transport' but an old dilapidated pram.



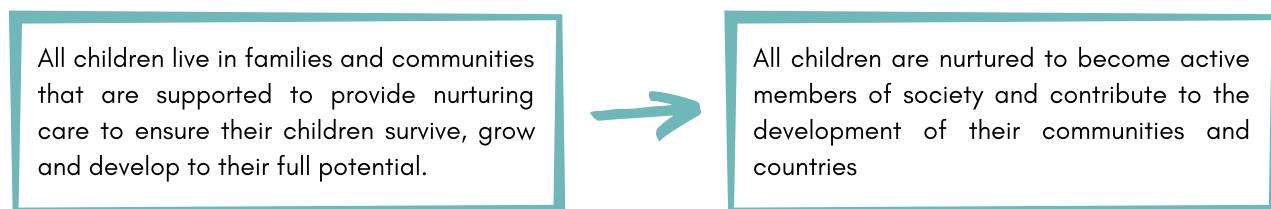
The joy on the faces of the boy, his family and neighbours, will be a lasting memory to us. Our heartfelt thanks goes out to WIZO South Africa for making a difference in this boy's life. He now has the gift of freedom and mobility!

GCF STRATEGIC PLAN 2030

This past year time has been spent on formulating the organisation advocacy plan which will bring about the realisation of children's rights and placing their best interest at the centre of all GCF programmes.

OUR VISION

CHILDREN IN SECURE FAMILIES... IT'S WHERE THEY BELONG!

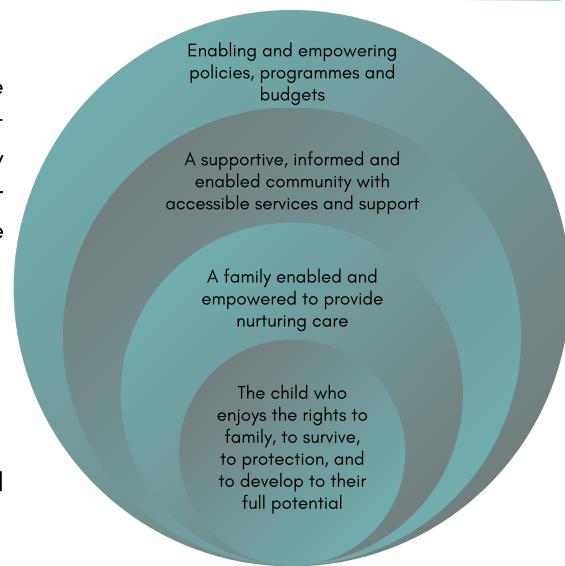


OUR STRATEGY - SYSTEMS STRENGTHENING

GCF's strategy is to ensure that all vulnerable children live with a family that is supported by a network of services that respond to local risks and opportunities. All families will only receive services that they need if South Africa (and other countries) has an effective child-centred, national child care and protection system that is strong at 4 levels:

1. The child that knows and enjoys their rights
2. An enabled and empowered family
3. A supportive and informed community of service providers
4. Enabling policies, programmes, budgets, human resources, information and reporting systems

We work at all 4 levels to strengthen the child care and protection system.



OUR STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES

- **An Integrated Child Care and Protection Programme sustainably implemented in the Ugu District.**
Objective: Vulnerable children in the Ugu District live with families and receive the nurturing care they require to survive, be protected and develop to their full potential.
- **Deinstitutionalisation Programme**
Objective: An ethical and child-centred Deinstitutionalisation (DI) agenda is adopted and pursued by African countries. The agenda advances to two mutually dependent and supporting outcomes:
 - The placement of all children at risk in need of alternative care with families; and
 - All families caring for children at risk are supported by a systemic and sustained Family Strengthening Programme that creates the conditions necessary for the provision of nurturing care.
- **Unrelated Foster Parent Recruitment and Training Programme**
Objective: An adequate supply of community-based foster parents is recruited and trained to be ready for placement of children identified as needing alternative care in Ugu and KZN province.
- **Kinship Care**
Objective: Children in the care of kin or biological caregivers in Ugu District are identified and they can their caregivers receive the cash and care they need to support the provision of nurturing care, so that these children may survive, be protected and develop to their full potential.
- **Inclusive Care and Protection for Children with Disabilities**
Objective: Children with disabilities in the Ugu District live in families that are supported to provide nurturing care, that ensures their survival, protection and development to their full potential through their access to GCF's full suite of inclusive Family and Community-Based Support Programmes.
- **Capacity Building to Strengthen Child Care and Protection**
Objective: Role players responsible for planning, delivery, monitoring and reporting on Child Care and Protection systems are capacitated to engage in effective systems strengthening initiatives.
- **Organisational Development of GCF**
Objective: GCF is recognised and has the capacity and partners necessary to be a credible, legitimate and valuable advocate for strengthening the national child care and protection system and in driving national development.

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