



MASICORP



SNAPSHOT 2020

Our Vision

Everyone in Masiphumelele will have access to quality education, training, advice and support.

Our Mission

To work with the people of Masi and key partners, offering opportunities through education to help residents progress out of poverty towards a sustainable livelihood.

Message from Milli Firth, MD

"There is always light. Only if we are brave enough to see it. There is always light. Only if we are brave enough to be it." (Amanda Gorman, National Youth Poet Laureate US)

The Covid 19 pandemic disrupted much of the world in 2020 and beyond. There was considerable uncertainty that characterised education in SA with substantial lost time spent in the classroom during 2020. Masicorp had to focus on the impact this would have on nutrition, hygiene and learning. Breadwinners were without income as businesses and companies closed.

In 2020, we learnt about rapid change, uncertainty, new levels of resilience and doing things differently. Masicorp had to look at the resources on hand, adapt our programmes and see how to spread our assistance to others in the community. Our Annual Report reflects how we kept learning alive, through our "Let's Keep Learning Campaign", - we were in lockdown but learning in Masi was still happening within our programmes.

We also generously supported the work of others and spread our reach to False Bay Hospital, other NGO's and local Primary and High Schools. Special mention must be made of our partnership with Yandiswa Mazwana from the Masi Creative Hub in a number of feeding initiatives. These efforts spearheaded our work in the community.

A massive fire broke out in December and over 4,000 people were left homeless. We donated a number of blankets to those who had lost everything, working through a partnering NGO Living Hope. In addition, we assisted a number of our direct beneficiaries who had lost everything.

The Masicorp Team and many Friends of Masicorp (from Masi and from surrounding areas), all collaborated to do better for Masiphumelele in 2020. Thank you for the part you have played in this!



FUNDING PRIORITIES FOR 2021

UKHANYO PRIMARY LEARNING LABS ZAR 900,000

Our 3 Learning Labs (Maths, English, Science) reach hundreds of children from Ukhanyo Primary each year. These programmes model teaching effective methods and classroom management using practical methods of skills transfer to the teachers, improving learner confidence and comprehension.

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT ZAR 300,000

Our various skills development courses offer instruction in sewing, English, computers and life skills for unemployed women, as well as training in sewing aimed at high school learners from the Masi Community.

COMPUTER TRAINING ZAR 700,000

Our newly established accredited ICDL (International Computer Driving License) centre will be running ICDL courses, coding courses as well as basic IT skills for youth from Masi High in 2021. The Computer Lab operating at Masiphumelele Library will continue with offering basic computer training to the Masi community.

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Life Skills

19 Trainees graduated from the Evangeline Life Skills programme this year. This six-month programme trains students in computers, English and sewing, rewarding them with their own sewing machine at the end of the course.

English...Please!

These small group lessons are provided to Masi children attending English speaking schools, helping them to improve their English skills. During the lockdown period the children benefited from weekly hardcopy work packs so learning could continue at home.



ECD

266 children attended our two educare in 2020. Due to the nationwide COVID-19 lockdown, schools were forced to close for five months. During this time, these children and their families were supported with hygiene, feeding and educational packs to help them during this difficult period.

Computer Training

We were proud to announce the opening of our new ICDL (International Computer Driving License) Training Centre at the beginning of 2020. During lockdown, our students were able to continue their studies by accessing their course material online, with virtual support from our trainers.



COVID-19

In 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic affected all of our programmes and the community of Masiphumelele as a whole. As well as looking after our own beneficiaries, Masicorp supported many local schools and community organisations with supplies and funding for PPE, food and mobile data. As well as leading the way in the fight against hunger, Masicorp ensured that learning continued despite school closures through our Let's Keep Learning campaign.



Learning Labs

Our Learning Labs at Ukhanyo Primary School continued their work of reaching hundreds of learners and their teachers during 2020, instructing them in English, Maths and Science. When schools re-opened after the national lockdown this year, classes were staggered and strict COVID-19 protocols were implemented in the classrooms to keep teachers and learners safe.

MASICORP IN NUMBERS

All statistics used reflect 2020

BENEFICIARIES

- Nearly 6,000 Direct beneficiaries
- 14 Other NGO's

DONATIONS IN 2020

- ZAR 10,600,000

26 PROGRAMMES & PROJECTS

SPORTS

- Three new educators have joined our coaching ranks and 12 educators volunteer as sports coaches
- All 1,950 learners at Ukhanyo Primary School do Physical Education weekly with three instructors and their teachers
- 60 chess players across both Masi schools
- Rugby has attracted over 100 players for the first time
- 23 coaches now coach sport
- Girls can now participate in seven sports

COMPUTER TRAINING

- 30 children (13 girls / 17 boys) graduates
- 14 young adults were involved in the coding class
- 71 young adults were involved in the ICDL training course

MASIFUNDE

- 18 children (7 girls / 11 boys)
- Improvements in reading age, accuracy and story writing

ENGLISH HUB

- Pre-COVID: (Grade 2 & 3) 13 teachers, 513 learners
- COVID restrictions: (Grade 3) 7 teachers, 269 learners

- Afterschool clubs pre-COVID: (Grades 4-7) 120 learners
- Afterschool clubs COVID restrictions: (Grades 3-7) 10-20 learners per day
- Break library time (Grades 3-7) 50-60 learners per day, 450 books borrowed per week

MATHS LAB

- Pre-COVID (Grade 3 & 4) 14 teachers, 566 learners
- COVID restrictions: (Grade 3) 7 teachers, 269 learners
- Afternoon clubs: (Grade 4) 15-20 learners, (Grade 5-7) 30 learners

HIGH SCHOOL SEWING

- 14 learners in Grade 8-10
- Weekly training workshops

COMMUNITY SPORT

- 112 Soccer players
- 110 Netball players

STAY & PLAY

- Pre-COVID: 270 children & 14 informal creches
- COVID restrictions: 127 children, 8 informal creches

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

- 266 children
- 2 educare

THANK YOU

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