

Etafeni Day Care Centre Trust

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT 2003/4



The ETAFENI DAY CARE CENTRE TRUST is attempting to develop a best practice model of sustainable community-based care for AIDS-vulnerable children and their caregivers. We hope that the model, when it is complete, will be of use to South Africa and to all AIDS-affected developing countries in their struggle to address the needs of vulnerable children.

The Trust, in partnership with the local community, is building a multi purpose Day Care Centre in Nyanga which takes into account the holistic needs of children, the needs of those who care for them and the needs of the community who will, of necessity, be their safety net.



■ OUR VISION

Growing out of an understanding of the attachment needs of children, the Etafeni Trust is trying to provide a non-institutional alternative to what is all too often a disrupted childhood, coming on top of traumatic loss, for an AIDS-affected child. Our success will depend on the way that the Etafeni community habitually responds to vulnerability, their own and others'. For this reason, the important work at Etafeni is unseen and involves a slow but consistently loving response to all the needs of all the role players. The physical structures and services on site are a metaphor, as it were, for what we hope to see happening inside everyone: the gradual growth of trust, of softness, of creativity and of enjoyment of self and others.

■ THE PAST YEAR

There have been dramatic changes at Etafeni in this last year. The community builders have served over a year of their training period, doing excellent work on site, ably supported by a dedicated Building Committee and architect. They are poised to move on to the third building at the Centre.

■ THE OPENING

The preschool was officially opened in November 2003 by Dr Wallace Mgoqi, the Manager of the City of Cape Town. It was a joy to have him with us and all the many people who have played a pivotal role in the development of the Centre. It was a special privilege to have one of the founders, Sister Aine Hardiman OP, as well as many Etafeni mothers, trustees, architects, staff, donors and well-wishers with us on the day. It was encouraging to hear Dr Mgoqi hold out hope, once the Centre is complete, for the employment of the Etafeni builders in building the infrastructure of Nyanga.

■ PRESCHOOL AND PLAYGROUND

The preschool and playground are now in daily use by a large number of children, cared for by the Etafeni Playgroup Project mothers under the able leadership of Princess Mchunu and Nokhaya Myoli. We are aiming at fifty AIDS-affected children in the preschool, with ten small visitors each day from one of the other five Etafeni Playgroup Project groups. Although the visitors aren't necessarily AIDS-affected, they come from an under-resourced community and they love having access to the playground, the preschool facilities and equipment. They bring their own gift too: their presence breaks down the stigma that still, sadly, surrounds HIV infection in the community.

The playground lawn is a saturated green, cared for by Kehle Makabeni and Mzoxolo Menyo – and fruit trees were planted on the inside of the walls in October 2004.

The children are given a nutritious breakfast and lunch each day and they are regularly weighed and measured by the mothers to check that they are flourishing.

The preschool is a lovely light-filled space, with an attractive wooden mezzanine gallery which gives children the chance to find a quiet place during the day. There are mattresses and blankets available for a lie-down or an afternoon nap – as well as beautiful children's books for the children who don't want to sleep but just rest. The Etafeni Playgroup Project mothers excel at child care and the children's faces and warm, open welcome to visitors are testimony to their contentment.

■ AFTERNOON CARE

The preschool is open until late afternoon and afternoon care for schoolgoers will open at the beginning of the 2005 school year. The playground is big enough for games for older children but a protected outdoor area for infants and toddlers is to be developed on the area recently purchased at the airport end of the site.

The Field Band Foundation approached the Trust to offer musical instruments and tuition twice a week to twenty scholars in afternoon care. We will have music at the Centre twice a week – and our own Etafeni band in a couple of years' time.



■ CARETAKER'S FLAT

The Caretaker's flat is almost complete, with occupation in November 2004. The ground floor of the Caretaker's flat will, temporarily, be used for afternoon care for school children. The first floor and top floor will provide temporary offices for the project manager, site manager and counsellor co-ordinators.

Mogamat Peck, our trainer, and Christopher Mbude, our foreman, have worked wonders with the builders, casting slabs and getting up to the third floor. The view over the roofs of the shacks to the mountain is superb.

■ MOTHERS AND INFANTS CENTRE

The builders are to start work on the Mothers and Infants Centre in the near future. The foundation is in place, so the work should progress swiftly.

We are delighted that Dr Mitch Besser, Professor of Obstetrics at the University of Cape Town, is to bring his Mothers programmes into this new building – and we are hoping that a partnership with ARK, an anti-retroviral programme for children and primary caregivers, will follow. Our income-generating groups will keep the Mothers programmes company in this Centre.

■ FOOD GARDEN

The food garden, lovingly tended, produces crops of fine vegetables for the preschool and HIV+ support group members. Three of the four large beds are now in use and Etafeni has entered into a contract with Abalimi Bezekhaya for training and support in food gardening.

■ INCOME-GENERATING SUPPORT GROUPS

The HIV+ Support Group has grown and is engaged with a range of income-generating activities. We now have groups making wonderful ethnic cloth dolls, patchwork quilts, smocked children's dresses and dungarees, covered hangers and beadwork. We try to keep an African feel to things we make, using ishwehwe fabric and traditional clothing on the dolls but we accept all sorts of orders – from christening gowns to nightdresses.

St Michael's Church in Rondebosch has been a gracious host to our groups but, as soon as the Mothers and Infants Centre is built, equipped and safe, the income-generating groups will move to the Centre in Nyanga. We have been blessed by having our transport costs subsidised – and by having dedicated trainers with high standards to help produce crafts that are both beautiful and sell well.

The HIV+ men and women receive epap, a nutritional supplement, as well as a meal each day they attend the group. They have become skilled in their chosen crafts and have been earning well. Teresa Lumani, a trained AIDS counsellor, co-ordinates the groups and she watches over the health of the group members. If necessary, she accompanies them to hospital or on their clinic visits – and negotiates for the best treatment available for them.

■ HIV/AIDS COUNSELLING

We now have 21 AIDS counsellors, two of whom are adherence counsellors working with ARK at the Crossroads 2 clinic. Nomkitha Magopeni and Malibongwe Nqanqase have been co-ordinating the programme, with the help of the administrator, Nokuzola Qamngana. We provide health education, pre- and post-test counselling and run support groups at ten health facilities in the Nyanga Health District. If any client is destitute or malnourished, the counsellors refer them to our income-generating groups. A methodical referral of AIDS-affected children to the Centre has begun, with the Etafeni mothers working closely with clinic sisters and the counsellors.

Application has been made to the Department of Health for registration of the Centre as a VCT site and Dr Paul Stern has offered to be on site every Wednesday to do testing.



■ HOME CARE

The City of Cape Town Msat funding for the team of home carers came to an end and the group disbanded, with the consent of the Trust. The expectations of State-funded home carers are stringent and narrowed to care for the bed-ridden and terminally ill – and it is not clear that we should be supplying this service. Our focus is more on the identification, referral and support of vulnerable households and children in the Nyanga area. Four of the former home carers are currently training as AIDS counsellors, others might find training and employment in afternoon care – or as home visitors.

■ FINANCIAL

During the year ended 31 March 2004, we raised R1,902,474 in donations and funding towards the costs of the Etafeni Day Care Centre Trust's buildings and programmes. The names of our generous donors and funders are listed in the attached financial statements. We are confident in our funders' expressed interest and support to enable us to complete the buildings and furnish the Centre. We are confident too that the programmes are sustainable. We hope to have the whole complex operational by the end of 2005.

■ BUILDING UNITY

There are many different groups that make up the whole of the Etafeni Day Care Centre Trust: about 20 Etafeni mothers (educarers), over 40 community builders and their trainers, 45 HIV+ men and women in the income-generating groups and their trainers, 21 counsellors and their co-ordinators and psychologist, a community liaison person, a gardener, a fundraiser, a finance manager, the trustees, our partner donors, our partner NGOs ... and so on.

To make everyone feel at home – and to make everyone feel that Etafeni is theirs – is a challenging task. But not impossible. If we want to make a safe and welcoming space for children who are in distress, we need to see that we are all feeling safe and at home too.

A process to build harmony and unity has begun: an open day for everyone took place on 11 September, to be followed by a series of values workshops for all the roleplayers. The process will end in a time of retreat for everyone. We're looking forward to this time of interiority after the very busy extroverted activity of the year.

■ THANKS

This past year has been noteworthy for considerable progress in achieving our vision and we are indebted to many people who have rendered selfless service to Etafeni. In addition to those already mentioned above, I would like to thank Dr Ralph Hekster, our first chairman, as well as our Board of Trustees, in particular Sister Caitriona Owens, our honorary secretary, and Val Barry, the committed chairperson of our Building Committee. To our benefactor, Rotary International, and to Dr Peter Vurgarellis, their representative, thank you for your support, help and interest. Our special thanks are due to Stephanie Kilroe, our indefatigable fundraiser, and to Patrick Kilroe, our hardworking finance manager, for yeoman services rendered.

I would also like to thank the donors who very generously gave us gifts in kind: City Lodge (blankets, towels, soap); Foschini, Simone Burns, St Michael's Catholic Church (clothes, fabric); Mecor (computers); Maureen Kilroe, Anita Whitfield, Kelly Personnel (furniture); Carol Wiener, Corinne Squires (preschool equipment); St Andrew's Anglican Church (toys); Kelly Personnel (trees and cobblestones); Starke Ayres (trees).

My report would be incomplete without a very special word of thanks to all our donors and funders. Without their support and generosity this project would not have been feasible. We are indebted to them and hope that we may continue to receive their support in the future.

DON COLLIER

Chairperson of the Board of Trustees

**QUALIFIED REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
ETAFENI DAY CARE CENTRE TRUST**

We have audited the annual financial statements of Etafeni Day Care Centre Trust set out on pages 6 to 8 for the period ended 31 March 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the trust's trustees. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Scope

We conducted our audit in accordance with statements of South African Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes:

- examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements,
- assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and
- evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Qualified audit opinion

In common with similar organisations, it is not feasible for the organisation to institute accounting controls over cash collections from fundraising activities or donations, prior to the initial entry of the collections in the accounting records. Accordingly, it was impractical for us to extend our examination beyond the receipts actually recorded.

Except for the effects of any adjustments which might have been necessary had it been possible for us to extend our examination of cash receipts, in our opinion these financial statements fairly present the financial position of the organisation at 31 March 2004 and the results of its operations for the period then ended.



Greenwoods
Chartered Accountants (S.A.)
Registered Accountants and Auditors

Cape Town
28 September 2004

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2004

	Notes	2004 R	2003 R
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Fixed assets	2	1,527,437	437,367
Current assets			
Accounts receivable		–	2,955
Bank balances		206,722	446,301
Total assets		1,734,159	886,623
CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES			
Capital			
Trust capital	3	1,632,043	784,769
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	4	32,699	26,654
Home-based Carers Project grant prepaid	5	–	75,200
Department of Social Services grant prepaid	6	69,417	–
Total capital and liabilities		1,734,159	886,623

Income Statement for the year ended 31 March 2004

Income		1,902,474	1,011,303
Department of Health – Aids Counselling Programme		753,085	–
Department of Social Services	6	30,583	–
Donations received	7	1,029,169	914,375
Home-based Carers Project	5	75,200	74,800
Interest received		8,023	22,128
Sundry income		6,414	–
Total income		1,902,474	1,011,303
Expenditure		1,055,202	226,534
Auditors' remuneration		8,000	4,560
Bank charges		9,073	1,606
Department of Health – Aids Counselling Programme		753,085	–
Department of Social Services expenditure	6	30,583	–
Depreciation – owned assets		9,046	556
Fundraising expenses		71,954	135,506
Home-based Carers Project	5	106,080	74,800
Income generation expenditure		25,441	–
Office expenses		3,698	614
Opening day		6,064	–
Other fundraising expenses		2,488	1,650
Printing and stationery		5,678	4,717
Telephone and communications		16,546	2,227
Travel		7,466	298
Surplus for the year		847,272	784,769
Retained income at beginning of year		784,769	–
Retained income at end of year		1,632,041	784,769

Notes to the Financial Statements at 31 March 2004

1. Accounting basis

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis.

1.1 *Revenue recognition:* Revenue comprises donations and interest received. Donations are recognised when the right to receive payment is established. Interest income is recognised on a time proportionate basis that takes into account the effective yield on the investment.

1.2 *Fixed assets:* Fixed assets are included at cost. Cost includes all costs directly attributable to bringing the assets to working condition for their intended use. Depreciation is calculated by a charge to income computed on a straight line basis so as to write off the cost of the assets over their expected useful lives. The depreciation rates applicable to each category of fixed assets are as follows:

Buildings under construction	0% per annum	Plant and equipment	33.33% per annum
Furniture and fittings	16.67% per annum	Playground equipment	33.33% per annum
Computer equipment	33.33% per annum		

2. Fixed assets

Owned assets	2004			2003		
	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Carrying value	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Carrying value
Land and buildings – in course of construction	1,430,106	–	1,430,106	416,611	–	416,611
Plant and equipment	21,312	7,660	13,652	21,312	556	20,756
Furniture and fittings	27,176	77	27,099	–	–	–
Playground equipment	10,984	1,725	9,259	–	–	–
Computer equipment	47,461	140	47,321	–	–	–
	1,537,039	9,602	1,527,437	437,923	556	437,367

The carrying amounts of fixed assets can be reconciled as follows:

Owned assets	Carrying value at beginning of year	Additions	Depreciation	Carrying value at end of year
Land and buildings – in course of construction	416,611	1,013,495	–	1,430,106
Plant and equipment	20,756	–	(7,104)	13,652
Furniture and fittings	–	27,176	(77)	27,099
Playground equipment	–	10,984	(1,725)	9,259
Computer equipment	–	47,461	(140)	47,321
	437,367	1,099,116	(9,046)	1,527,437

The land on which buildings are presently being erected is situated between Zwelitsha Drive and Sihume Street, Nyanga. The purchase price was R22,812.

3. Trust capital

	2004 R	2003 R
Opening balance	784,769	–
Net surplus for the year	847,274	784,769
	1,632,043	784,769

4. Accounts payable

Etafeni Playgroup Project	–	1,650
LifeLine/ChildLine Western Cape fundraising commission at 15%	24,701	20,444
Audit fee	8,000	4,560
	32,701	26,654

5. Home-based Carers Project grant prepaid

	–	75,200
Balance of grant received from City of Cape Town	75,200	150,000
Less disbursements	75,200	74,800
Manager	30,000	30,000
Stipends to carers	38,108	39,600
Transport and administration	6,692	1,700
Equipment	400	2,000
Money stolen	–	1,500
Amount of grant prepaid at 31 March	–	75,200

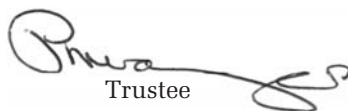
Expenditure on the Home-based Carers Project in the amount of R30,880 was not recovered through the grant received by the City of Cape Town.

	2004 R	2003 R
6. Department of Social Services grant prepaid	69,417	–
Balance of grant received from the Department of Social Services	100,000	–
Less disbursements	30,583	–
Income generation expenses	<u>30,583</u>	<u>–</u>
Amount of grant prepaid at 31 March	<u>69,417</u>	<u>–</u>
7. Donations received (list of donors)		
Afrisida Bokelman	2,000	–
Aids Action South Africa	11,162	–
Breadline Africa	50,000	53,000
City of Cape Town	–	80,000
De Beers	75,000	–
DG Murray Trust	50,000	75,000
Elton John AIDS Foundation	120,773	–
Etafeni Playgroup Project	–	11,000
Gardiner Institute	–	7,888
Investec	8,300	25,000
KFM Radio	50,000	–
King Edward VII Trust	256,000	–
Levi Strauss	–	68,909
Missio Aachen	–	131,953
Momentum	50,000	–
Mother PLUS		870
Nampak	7,200	–
Oberrieden Bazaar	48,286	–
Red Ribbon Dinner	16,000	–
Rotaract Italy	–	7,169
Rotary Club Kromboom	29,000	–
Round Table Pinelands	67,808	–
M Schmidt	–	2,971
Paul Stern	12,643	1,990
Stichting Porticus	119,646	443,960
TASC	–	2,765
Truworths	16,000	–
Various donors	12,938	1,900
Wels-Bosco Family	26,413	–
	<u>1,029,169</u>	<u>914,375</u>

Financial Statements

The financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2004 which appear on pages 6 to 8 were approved by the trustees on 28 September 2004 and signed on their behalf by:


Trustee


Trustee


Honorary Treasurer



TRUSTEES OF THE ETAFENI DAY CARE CENTRE TRUST

Back row, left to right:

Peter Vurgarellis, Heloise Solomon

Front row:

Rose Mbude, Pat Mayers,

Don Collier (chairperson), Val Barry

Below Left: Baba Velele *Right:* Ida Mbele

