This year marks the 15th anniversary of Cyril Ramaphosa Foundation. It is cause to celebrate a meaningful record of programme implementation to improve lives. May the Foundation have many more years building its legacy of an inclusive and empowered society.

Mmabatho Maboya, CEO
SUSTAINED COMMITMENT TO IMPROVE LIVES.
Cyril Ramaphosa Foundation is proudly marking its 15th anniversary in 2019. It is a milestone to celebrate and highlight a record of sustained commitment to improve lives.

Cyril Ramaphosa Foundation was founded as Shanduka Foundation in 2004, the corporate social investment arm of the Shanduka Group. The Foundation changed its name in 2015 following Cyril Ramaphosa’s divestment from the Shanduka Group.
SUPPORTING EDUCATION, YOUTH, SMES AND VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND WOMEN.
At its establishment in 2004, the Foundation set its mandate to support initiatives to improve education and grow small black businesses. It committed to spend R100 million on social investment programmes over 10 years as the most direct means to improve the quality of life for South Africa’s people and foster an inclusive and empowered society.

By 2019, it has contributed over R359 million and additionally leveraged over a billion rand through its partner entities to programmes that support the development of education, youth, small and medium enterprises, and vulnerable children and women.
THE FOUNDATION’S PARTNER ENTITIES
The Foundation’s programmes are implemented through its partner entities Adopt-a-School, KST, Cyril Ramaphosa Education Trust and Black Umbrellas – all of which post impressive impact results.
ADOPT-A-SCHOOL

Adopt-a-School, with the committed support of private sector donors, implements a Whole School Development model that aims at improving the governance, academic, infrastructural, social and security environment in schools. As at February 2019 it had adopted 223 schools and benefitted 60 579 learners.
“Our school looks beautiful. People no longer laugh because our school is shabby. I am proud to be a learner”.

Kgothatso Ntsoane, learner

“The smell of the old toilets was so unbearable I did not want to go near them. Now that is past”.

Ditankisho Moselakgomo, learner
THARI PROGRAMME

Adopt-a-School also implements the Foundation’s Thari programme at select schools in Botshabelo, Free State and Diepsloot, Gauteng.

Thari is a pilot programme that addresses the impact of social issues such as violence and abuse on learners and their learning outcomes. Thari provides psychosocial support for women and children and facilitates multi-sectoral networks of local organisations and professional services to address social challenges in school communities.

By February 2019, well over a thousand psychosocial support interventions had been undertaken, including interviews, home visits, referrals and group therapy sessions, and 1 236 children had been reached through Safe Park programmes.
“Since Thari arrived at our school, everything changed. They’ve made a Safe Park for us. If we have family problems we can talk about them”

Learner, Reentseng Primary School

“Thari has brought improvement on many fronts. Learners are enjoying school due to relations they have created with our child care workers”

Mr Moeketsi Chaka, Principal, Reentseng Primary School
“Remember to celebrate milestones as you prepare for the road ahead.”

Nelson Mandela.
KST

KST is a dynamic collaboration between Cyril Ramaphosa Foundation and Kagiso Trust that leverages the best practices of each organisation’s Whole School Development programmes.

KST implements the District Whole School Development Programme in partnership with the Free State provincial department of education in two districts. As at February 2019, KST had worked in 240 schools and benefitted near 400 000 learners.
“With infrastructure, leadership and curriculum development, KST brought hope to our community. Our school is much safer now and overcrowding is reduced. Our whole community will benefit, just as our school is benefitting”.

Nthabiseng Selemela, educator, Meduwaneng Primary School
The Cyril Ramaphosa Education Trust (CRET) provides bursaries for tertiary study and holistic support for students, as well as essential work experience opportunities. CRET partners with corporate sponsors and individuals to provide tuition, accommodation, books, stationery, a personal allowance, mentoring and psychosocial support. CRET encourages the ethos of “giving back” and develops committed civic-minded students who are truly inspiring. CRET has supported close to 250 students to access tertiary study.
“CRET’s support for my Bachelor of Communications Science degree allowed me to forget the physical and emotional pain I endured every day. Prior to CRET coming into my life, nothingness and hopelessness dominated each and every aspect of my being. CRET resurrected my dreams. I have gone on to be more positive than ever before about my life.”

Brian Maluleke, CRET alumi
BLACK UMBRELLAS
Black Umbrellas develops small businesses through a nationwide incubation programme. It partners with the private sector, Government and civil society to address the low levels of entrepreneurship and high failure rate of 100% Black-owned emerging businesses.

The programme nurtures businesses in the critical first three years of their existence through a structured three-year programme. Black Umbrellas is enabling emerging small businesses to contribute significantly to the economy. Since inception in 2009, it has incubated over 1 400 small businesses that have earned a combined turnover of R2.87 billion, and created close to 12 000 jobs.

“I’m able to support my family now. I’m able to give a better future to my young child and wife and to help my brothers with their studies”.

Michael Mzingizi, Managing Director, M-Games
“Cyril Ramaphosa Foundation is about creating opportunities and changing lives.”
Cyril Ramaphosa, Chairman

“Cyril Ramaphosa Foundation is about creating opportunities and changing lives. It is about making a difference where a difference is most needed. It is about the shy smile of the schoolgirl who has just received her first pair of glasses. It is about the chalkboard that has now come into focus and the world of opportunity that has opened up. It is about the poor student who taught himself to type on a cardboard cut-out keyboard and who now is a successful professional.”
It is about the retrenched factory worker who had the temerity to start his own manufacturing business. It is about hours spent in new libraries, games played on new sports fields. It is about teachers confident in their subjects and learners engrossed in their lessons. It is about the small things. School toilets that flush. Tuition fees that are paid on time. Small businesses that are tax compliant.

It is about schools that have been utterly transformed, businesses that have grown from one employee to a hundred, and cattle herders who have become accountants.

It is about changing lives”

Cyril Ramaphosa
Chairman, Cyril Ramaphosa Foundation