

Newsletter



It all started 37 years ago...



IKHAYA LABANTU
CARE HOME

Caring for frail & disabled people

.... when on 03 March 1986 (*our birthday!!* 😊) Eyabantu Creche opened its doors to 200 children. Mambona was the driving force then, as she still is in many ways today. Very soon a soup kitchen was added, which evolved into a homeless shelter which continued to operate until Ikhaya Labantu Care Home in its current form was established about 10 years ago. A 37-year story of resilience and grace, hardship and triumph, despair and hope. The story continues today as both Ikhaya Labantu Care Home and Eyabantu Creche continue to care for the very young and the old and frail, on the shared premises in Johnson Ngwevela Street, Langa.



Above: At the opening of Eyabantu Creche on 03 March 1986. **Mambona** front and centre then, as she still is in many ways today. Left: Sporting her new Ikhaya Labantu T-shirt at our Christmas party in December 2022.

UCT networking with NPOs in Langa



The University of Cape Town continues to engage with Ikhaya Labantu and other NPOs in Langa through professional development and psycho-social programs for our residents and staff. At a recent Community Stakeholders meeting, the Dean of the Faculty of Health Science, **Professor Lionel Green-Thompson** thanked the staff of Ikhaya Labantu, and all Community stakeholders present, for the service rendered to the community.



The Community stakeholder engagement is aimed at redesigning the framework for UCT's support towards community-based projects. Ikhaya Labantu has a lot to benefit from through the strengthening of these networks. This platform has also opened doors for ease of skills transfer and shared learning between Ikhaya Labantu and other stakeholders in Langa.

Christmas Cheer for everyone!!!



We hosted our 2022 Christmas Party on 03 Dec 2022. Staff members received tokens of appreciation for the service and resilience shown throughout the year, clad in brand new Ikhaya Labantu T-shirts. The residents received gift bags donated by Jubilee Community Church. While we focus on day-to-day delivery of service, such moments of fun and gratitude demonstrate our values and remind us of the purpose which brings all of us together at Ikhaya Labantu. - **The T-shirts are now on sale to anyone with a heart for Ikhaya Labantu. Please feel free to contact us for your own Ikhaya Labantu T-shirt @R200**

Service Corner



Ntombizikhona Jucwa has been serving in the kitchen at Ikhaya Labantu since 2009. A cook of note, we owe a huge thanks for her dedication and resilience in serving the community, through Ikhaya Labantu.

Residents' Corner



Nomabuye Lydia Tunda (70) has been a resident for the past year. She comes with such a powerful energy as she is known for her singing and dancing. She often spends part of her time helping with light household duties, services which are often accompanied by conversations shared together with the care givers. One word to describe her- LifeGiving!!!!

JustGraceful Beading

JustGrace, a community-based organization from Langa, has launched a Beadmaking project with the elderly in Langa. Through this program, we realize opportunities for engaging our residents into creative activities, which feeds into their sense of belonging and recognition. As a facility, we celebrate such recognition, which provides platforms for building hope and justifying the resilience demonstrated everyday by our staff and residents.



*Please be advised that you can support Ikhaya Labantu towards making a difference. Join us in celebrating 37 years by helping us keep the lights on or by helping us improve the remuneration for our staff. These contributions are **TAX DEDUCTIBLE***

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Thank you for your prayers, care and support.

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