



*Thank You* to all our funders and supporters who rallied around to assist us survive 2020. What a year it has been!

Despite incredible difficulties, we reopened in April, only 2 weeks after lockdown was announced in March. We served almost 200 000 meals, distributed 2500 food parcels, and almost 1000 family hygiene packs during the lockdown months.

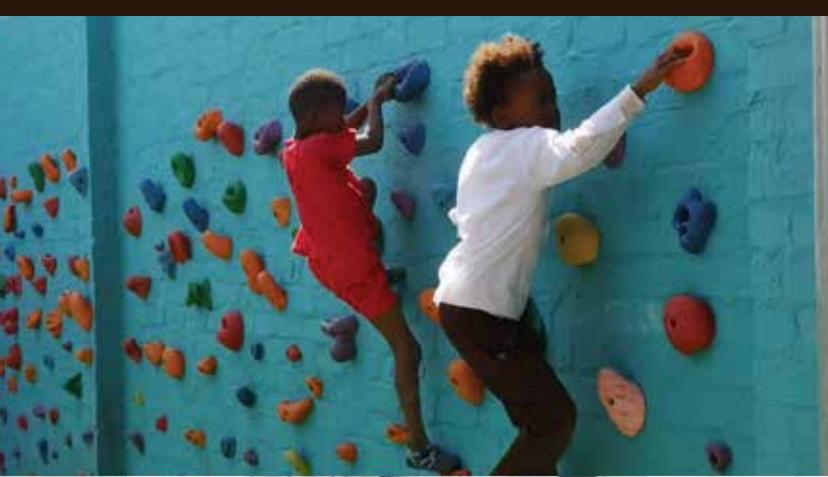
We did 1 600 home visits each month, to check in on our children and their families. The levels of poverty and hunger was devastating, and we are so grateful to our team who risked Covid-19 to ensure that the children were fed.

We took 40 children into respite care, and referred a further 40 severe cases for specialist attention.

We thank the Department of Social Development for their leadership and guidance in the use of PPE, and following Covid-19 protocols to encourage the safety of our staff and our beneficiaries.

By June we could welcome back our gap students. Intensive attention was given to them to salvage what was left of the year. We are so pleased that despite the shortened year, we managed to get applications in for tertiary studies for almost all.





We're very proud of the entrepreneurial thinking combined with the community consciousness that developed in these young people.

In August we were able to provide more training for our staff, while they continued to do home assessments offering nutritional and educational support to our children and their families.

In October, when we reached level 1, we were able to resume 90% of our programmes. It was a fantastic team effort lead by Martine Katts.

We are so thankful for all the personal risks taken to side step this virus.

Covid-19 has certainly created another level of poverty, which makes the work we do even more critical. Many funders have unfortunately also been negatively affected which had resulted in an immediate reduction in funding. We thank everyone who continued to support our efforts during 2020, and will be appealing to new funders to come on board in the new year.

*We wish you all a safe holiday season, and look forward to sharing our work with you in 2021.*

