Proposal for Registration of Early Childhood Development Centres in Cape Town Urban Areas



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Phase 1 FFM	26 May 2018	27 July 2018				
Phase 2 PPP	17 August 2018	29 March 2019				
Phase 3 Roll Out	To be determined	To be determined				
Budget						
Phase 1 FFM	Fact Finding Mission	R 218,400 (€ 14.560)				
Phase 2 PPP	Pilot Project Plan R 927,600 (€ 61.840)					
Phase 3 Roll Out	Roll Out To be determined					
Programme	Develop and implement a full scale registration model for ECD					
Outcome	centres in the Cape Town deprived urban areas					
	Improve ECD centre quality and secure sustainability					
	Increase number of children in registered ECD centres					
	Expand network local partners					



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1. Summary

Problem Summary

Many Early Childhood Development centres ('ECD centres, partial care facilities or crèches') struggle to obtain (financial) government support¹ because they cannot meet the minimum (legal) norms and standards set out for these centres. To be able to register and access the (Provincial) subsidies, an ECD centre must have a minimum of 7 children and be compliant. Without these subsidies, many centres are almost always solely dependent on parents' fees and therefore not (financially) sustainable. Apart from staff training, practical guidance, equipment etc. in most cases a basic physical upgrade of the ECD centre is required, however there is no system in place to be able to make this happen as this is left to the centres which, in most cases, are unable to access funding and other means required².

Furthermore staff training and educational equipment is vital for providing a holistic early learning experience for young children since it vastly helps to prepare young children for formal (primary) education; enabling children to learn, among others, social skills, develop spatial awareness, develop cognitive skills and build their sense of self³.

The evidence suggest that the economic implications of poor child development are dire:

- the loss of human potential is associated with a 20% deficit in adult income;
- children who fail properly to develop physically, emotionally, intellectually and socially are less likely to be well educated and economically productive adults;
- as parents they tend to raise children who are disadvantaged, thereby transferring poverty to the next generation;
- when large numbers of children are involved, national development could be at stake.

The Western Cape Government therefore has prioritised investment in Early Childhood Development as:

- a vehicle for early intervention and child protection;
- the basis for improving school outcomes and laying the foundation for lifelong learning;
- a means to reduce childhood poverty;
- an opportunity to develop the skills and competencies required for economic opportunities in later life.

¹ a per capita subsidy of R15 per child per day / 264 days in a year

² See Appendix "Criteria for Registration"

³https://www.westerncape.gov.za/assets/departments/socialdevelopment/western cape government intergrated provincial early childhood development strategy 2011-2016.pdf



There are approximately 3.000 ECD centres in the townships around Cape Town. Approximately 1.950 are already registered of which approximately 1350 receive the Provincial subsidies (mid 2017 estimate)⁴ for which registration is a requirement. Currently all known ECD centres are being audited by the 16 Registration Project Organisations ((RPO) - appendix⁵.) appointed by the Western Cape Provincial Department of Social Development (WC DoSD). The first outcomes show that only 13% of them are able to qualify for subsidisation. Apart from that a vast number of small (illegal) centres operate under the radar.

Solution Summary

Mzamomhle Foundation (Mza) supports sustainable initiatives in the field of childcare and education in townships around Cape Town, SA. Mza is an NGO based both in the Netherlands and in South Africa. Mza provides assistance where needed aiming to improve the quality of (day)care, the facilities and preschool education, share knowledge and experience, provide staff training, help access WC Provincial subsidies⁶.

The Project plan will be developed jointly with the beforementioned RPO's and will produce a workable 'Unstuck' model to be used by RPO's to register ECD centres (and so qualify for subsidisation). It will focus on all practical issues. The model used is based on the model designed by Innovation Edge⁷ ('workflow board' accepted by all RPO's and WC DoSD.

Mza selected one of the RPO's, Learn2Live (L2L), as main project partner for the Fact Finding Mission (FFM) and Pilot Project Plan (PPP). Mza and L2L partner on other projects since 2015. Initial research indicates that L2L already gained experience registering crèches and is an early adaptor.

The FFM will start in June 2018, for two months, gathering all relevant information to be able to decide and possibly excecute the PPP from August 2018. The workable model will need to be tested, up and running not later than April 2019, involving all key stakeholders during this phase. Apart from testing it will need to include staff and fieldworker training.

During and after Roll Out Stichting Mzamomhle will revert to a coaching (if required) and monitoring role.

⁴ https://www.westerncape.gov.za/social-development/facilities/669

https://www.westerncape.gov.za/site-page/ecd-partial-npo-registration-support-organisations

⁶ see www.mzamomhle.org for details

⁷ http://innovationedge.org.za/what-we-do



2. Targetgroups and –areas

2.1 Location



Western Cape Province, Republic of South Africa

The RPO's are working in and under Government (Western Cape Provincial) responsibility (WC). Learn2Live is active in and responsible for the townships of Wallacedene, Mfuleni and Kraaifontein in the Cape Town area.

2.2 Targetgroup

Impact area	No. targeted (mid 2017 estimate)
ECD centres in the WC	3.000, of which 1.950 are registered
ECD centres in Wallacedene, Mfuleni and Kraaifontein	512 of which 56 are registered
Other Childcare facilities under the radar	Unknown
Children from 0-6 years old	Approximately 95.000 (current best 'guess')



3. Project Plan

3.1 Roadmap

General

The PP will focus on ECD centres that are stuck and unable to register due to constraints. All known ECD centres will be offered auditing and assistance to enable registration (and so qualify for subsidisation). The FFM needs to improve and confirm the model in use.

3.2 Phase 1 - Fact Finding Mission

The Fact Finding Mission (FFM) will assure that all relevant information will be available for Phase 2. All RPO's in the Cape Town area will be invited to participate in the project. These RPO's are: Learn 2 Live⁸ (L2L), Ikamva Labantu Charitable Trust, Centre for Early Childhood Development⁹ (CECD), Early Learning Resource Unit (ELRU), South African Education and Environment Project (SAEP), Masikhule, True North and Grassroots.

These RPO's already work together using the Innovation Edge model mentioned above.

Mza and L2L will meet with WC DoSD and assure availability of relevant information not currently published (data available in general is from 2016 and back).

Mza and L2L will meet with all seven RPO's to investigate possible coordination and cooperation for reasons of efficiency and synergy. Their experience and support may very likely be helpful for the PPP.

Mza and L2L will investigate 3rd party's assistance for PPP- and Roll Out Phase: think construction and outside funding options (in cash or in kind).

The budget will be kept as low as reasonally possible and based on actual costs and standards.

Duration: June and July 2018.

⁸ Partner since 2015

⁹ Partner since 2010. Linked to the University of Cape Town (UTC)

3.3 Phase 2 - Pilot Project Plan

After the Fact Finding Mission the Pilot Project Plan (PPP) will be executed depending the

outcome of the FFM.

Randomly the outcomes of Phase 1 will be tested. The documentation of 50 ECD's will be

examined again and compared. For the PPP 20 ECD's will be chosen. In theory they will be

divided into the following groups, subject to change:

1. Shortcomings in formal demands (lack of certain documents and educational equipment);

2. Shortcomings in education and/or training of staff and principal;

3. Shortcomings in fire and health safety, zoning and building requirements.

We estimate that group 1 has the most 'quick wins'. In group 2 one should pay attention to

following the required (formal) training. Group 3 will very likely be the biggest challenge. We are

aware of the fact that many ECD centres will have numerous overlapping problems.

Per group or combination of groups, we have to exame and decide what will be the best way to

deal with the shortcomings. Preliminary investigation and experience indicates that transportation

can be a big issue as well as lack of access to funding and/or equipment and /or zoning issues.

Furthermore we think we require a quick response construction team to deal with shortcomings of

the buildings.

The budget is kept as low as possible and is based on actual costs and standards and will be

updated during the Fact Finding Mission.

3.4 Phase 3 - Roll Out

Roll Out will be carried out by the RPO's, Stichting Mzamomhle will monitor the progress and

possibly assist when needed. We will do so after the PPP is given the go-ahead.

Duration: From March 2019

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3.5 Partner and stakeholders' tasks and responsabilities

Partners and stakeholders	Tasks and responsibilities
Government	
National Level:	
National Government of South Africa	
Regional level:	
Wes Kaap Province, Department of	
Social Development	
District level:	
City of Cape Town	
Development partners	
Learn2Live	
Other similar organisations	
Economic stakeholders	
All ECD's	
Suppliers	
Civil society	
Private sector	

3.6 Stichting Mzamomhle

Introduction

The foundation of a human life is laid in the first five years of its upbringing. In this period, a child will basically develop itself if a few but crucial conditions are met: a secure and familiar environment, a structured and effective curriculum and some simple auxiliary tools. A proper building and a properly trained staff contribute a huge amount achieving this goal.

Objectives

Stichting Mzamomhle (est. 2008) supports sustainable (South African) initiatives to improve, (re)build and operate day-care centres and related community facilities in townships, including training of staff, to meet or exceed (and to be able to continue to do so) the ECD standards and requirements of the Children's Act.



Stichting Mzamomhle is committed to the education, wellbeing, health and happiness of young township children. Details on who we - including partners - are and what we do can be found on www.mzamomhle.org or our youtube channel.

Mzamomhle and its complementary South African Trust¹⁰ are certified NGO's and Tax exempt both in the Netherlands as well as in South Africa.

3.7 Learn2Live

Introduction

Learn2Live is a non-profit organization that aims to create a society where children and adults have proper educational opportunities, specifically investing in the area of early childhood development and sustainable living.

Objectives

L2L focuses on laying a good foundation during the first 1000 days of a child's life, specifically in the area of stimulation, nutrition, safety and love, better prepare a child for easy learning in (primairy)school and creating the opportunity to break the cycle of poverty and secure a better future for themselves and their families¹¹.

3.8 Project team

During the Fact Finding Mission and the Pilot Project Plan the Mzamomhle team will consists of the Stichting Mzamomhle projectmanager and a L2L fieldworker. Prior to Roll Out project- and staff members will be trained to use the model. They will be added to the project team.

¹⁰ Mzamomhle Foundation Trust: PBO # 930035635, SARS IT620/2010

¹¹ see <u>www.learn2live.co.za</u> for more information



4. Risks and mitigants

Impact and probability

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High	
Average	
Low	

Fact Finding Mission

Risk	Impact	Probability	Mitigants
Cooperation with other organisations			 L2L is a professial organisation The number of ECD's L2L
organisations			reaches, is enough for developing a model
Acceptance by other			Other organisations are already
organisations			known to L2L
Cooperation with			Government has accredited
Government			organisations like L2L to do the
			job. They already facilitate.

Project Plan

Risk	Impact	Probability	Mitigants
Cooperation with other organisations			 L2L is a profesional organisation The number of ECD's L2L reaches, is enough for developing a model
Acceptance by other organisations			 Other organisations are already known to L2L, they use same model
Cooperation with Provincial government			 WC Provincial Government has accredited organisations like L2L to do the job.
Lack of Funding for physical building upgrades			 Investigate possible grants given by Government Investigate local funding by other fundraising organisations
Lack of resources ECD centres			 Investigate possible government grants Investigate local funding by other fundraising organisations

Roll Out - To be determined



5. Budget

Budget estimation for Project	Regis	tration EC	D's i	n depriv	ed areas of Cap	e Town	
(amounts in ZAR and EUR)							
1. Fact Finding Mission		60	days	 S			
Project Manager			per				
travel 1 time AMS-CPT	R	16.500	Ċ	,			
transport	R	12.000	R	200			
accomodation	R	126.900	R	2.115	http://wetten.overheid.	nl/B WB R 0006914/2	2017-10-01#Bijlagel
other expenditures	R	63.000	R		http://wetten.overheid.		
total	R	218.400	€	14.560			
2. Project Plan							
Staffing		240	days				
Project Manager		240	uay.				
travel 4 times AMS-CT	R	66.000					
accomodation	R	507.600	R	2.115			
other expenditures	R	252.000	R	1.050			
local transportation	R	48.000	R	200			
total	R	873.600	€	58.240			
Fieldworker	R	48.750	25% a	allocated to	team		
total staffing	R	922.350	€	61.490			
Transportation	R	5.250	3 visi	ts, 20 ECD's	, 25 kms, 3,50/km		
Total	R	927.600	€	61.840			
Costs upgrading ECD's							
Equipment	R	150.000	educ	ational stuf	f (books, stationary e	etc) 7,5k 20 ECD's	
Building upgrade	R		building, sanitary, electricity, framing, doors etc 30k 20 ECD's				
3. Roll Out	To	be deter	min	ed he			



6. Appendix

Registration Project Organisations

Criteria for Registration

Roadmap L2L



Registration Project Orgs	istration Project Orgs Target Areas		Street Address	Contact person	Contact number	Policy Developer
Learn 2 Live	Kraaifontein Service Delivery Area , Eerste River Service Delivery Area	arina@oakhill.or.za	68 Verdi Boulevard Sontraal Heights Durbanville 7500	Arina Kitching	021 9792803	Vuyokazi Nombewu (021 483 5625)
Ikamva Labantu Charitable Trust	Khayelitsha	barbara@ikhamva.co.za	6 Malambo Street, F Street, Khayelitsha, 7784	Barbara Stemmert	072 2455896	Singatwa Kaas (021 483 2413)
Centre for Early Childhood Development (CECD)	Metro South - Wynberg SDA, (except Vryground) Ocean View SDA Retreat SDA,, Fish Hoek SDA	cecd@iafrica.com	20 Rosmead Avenue Claremont	Rukea Shaik	021 6832420	Jolene Barry (021 483 5831)
Early Learning Resource Unit - ELRU	Athlone SDA (except Phillippi), Mitchells Plain SDA, Gugulethu	tracy@elsu.co.za	19 Flamingo Crescent, Lansdowne	Faadila Ryklief	021 7627500	Badroonesa Govender (021 483 8057)
South African Education and Environment Project (SAEP)	Metro South: Phillipi	merjury@saep.org	B14 Waverley Court, Kotzee Road, Mowbray	Merjury Mushanguri	021 4473610	Badroonesa Govender (021 483 8057)
Klein Karoo Bronne Centre	Oudtshoorn SDA, Beaufort West SDA, George SDA	kkrcent@mweb.co.za	44 St Saviour Street, Oudtshoorn	Zodwa Douse	044 2727802	Charmaine Brown (021 483 3470)
Leer en Leef Creche and After School Care Training	Cape Winelands- Witzenberg SDA- Ceres	leer.leef@breede.co.za	43 Cilliers Street Ceres	Magdel Botha	079 7759359	Jolene Barry (021 483 5831)
The Early Education Centre	Stellenbosch SDA, Drakenstein SDA, excluding Mbekweni .	teecsa1@gmail.com	31 Rhodes Street Cloetesville Stellenbosch	Bonita Daniels	082 4738183	Leretsene Nkgudi (021 483 0568)
Sinethemba	Mbekweni	sinethemba01@telkomsa.net	C/O Manzi & Sijaji Street Mbekweni Paarl 7626	Sinethemba Plaatjie	021 868 4536 0719732893	Leretsene Nkgudi (021 483 0568)
Elgin Learning Foundation	Theewaterskloof, Caledon SDA, Swellendam SDA	mercy@elginlearning.org.za	9 Appeltizer Road Elgin 7180	Nicky Hartenberg	021 848 9413	Leretsene Nkgudi (021 483 0568)
Enlighten Education Trust	Overstrand SDA, (except Gansbaai, Stanford)	ecd@enlighton.org.za	C/O Swartdam and Angelier street Hermanus 7200	Maartjie Wandrag	028 3130974	Leretsene Nkgudi (021 483 0568)
Masikhule	Somerset West SDA: Sir Lowry's Pass.	sandy@masikhule.org lee@maskihule.org karen@masikhule.org	3 Paris Road Somerset West 7130	Leenne Keet	021 8519844 083 4156703	Vuyokazi Nombewu (021 483 5625)
True North	Metro South: Vrygrond	megan@true-north.co.za	c/o Berg Street & Vrygrond Avenue Vrygrond	Megan McCurrah	084 6908813 021 7026102	Jolene Barry (021 483 5831)
Flower Valley Conservation Trust	Gansbaai, Stanford	lesley@flowervalley.co.za	44 Villiers Street Bredasdorp 7280	Lesley Richardson/Gabrielle Jonker	028 4252218	Leretsene Nkgudi
Knysna Education Trust	Bitou and Knysna SDAs	fundraiser@knysnaedutrust.c	27 Market Street, Knysna	Nicol Goodall	083 4124598	Charmaine Brown (021 483 3470)
Grassroots	Metro North, West Coast, Macassar, Strand, Gordons Bay, Breede Valley, Langeberg	info@grassroots.org.za	335 A Klipfontein Road Silvertown Athlone 7764	Mareldia Tape	021 6383111	Metro North, West Coast: Brent Joftha (021 483 2972) Metro East: Vuyokazi Nombewu (021 483 5625) Winelands: Jolene Barry (021 483 5831)



Criteria for Registration

Criteria for registration:
1. Form 11
2. Needs assessment form
3. Certified copies of all qualifications
4. Clearance certificate for all staff against the National Child Protection Register
5. Job description of staff
6. Certified copies of ID's
7. Business plan
8. Zoning certificate
9. Lease/Rental agreement
10. Constitution (applicable for NGO)
11. Approved building plans
12. Emergency plan
13. Menu
14. Daily programme
15. First aid training certificates of all staff
16. Fire and Safety clearance certificate
17. Food premises certificate
18. Health clearance certificate
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Roadmap L2L

