

## ikhaya le themba

## The Amazing Human Race

Human greatness does not lie in wealth or power, but in character and goodness. People are just people and all have faults and shortcomings; but all of us are born with a basic goodness." Anne Frank

Sunday afternoon a random phone call from an amazing human being. He had heard about the devastating fire in Imizamo Yethu and wanted to do something that would make an impact before he boarded the plane for his home country the next day. The next morning we walked the streets of Imizamo Yethu, viewing together the devastating effects on the 18 hectares that 33,500 residents call home. Some were cleaning the streets, some were rebuilding their homes, and children played in the midst of the burnt out remnants of 15,000 people's homes. We then visited iKhaya le Themba, discussing its twelve year history in the community. This amazing human being observed the impact iKhaya le Themba has had in the lives of the most orphaned and vulnerable and without hesitation he committed to financially sponsor one of our most needy children. Thank you for joining the Amazing Human Race and making a difference in the life of a child in need.

iKhaya le Themba was founded in 2004 with the goal of building an orphanage for orphaned and vulnerable children who had become victims of the AIDS pandemic and other difficult life circumstances. The community asked, 'rather than build an orphanage would you partner with us in raising the children?'

In Imizamo Yethu were hand built shacks of hope providing shelter and support to the most orphaned and vulnerable children in the community, whether they had given birth to the child did not matter. It was in their hearts to see to it each of them had a hope and a future and they invited iKhaya le Themba to help them....the very thing we had set out to do! Thank you for joining this initiative and partnering with us to #bethechange we all wish to see in this world. Please see below a little message from the child you are supporting. We will send you an update once each term to let you know of their progress and how your support is positively impacting their life and future. If you are local or planning to visit Cape Town we welcome your visit to iKhaya le Themba — The Home of Hope. Come see for yourself how the Amazing Human Race from around the world is positively impacting the lives of the most orphaned and vulnerable children in the community of Imizamo Yethu, a township in the Hout Bay Valley of Cape Town, South Africa.



"Hi, my name is Axola and I want to tell you about my mother and how she is special. My mother makes sure I go to sleep with a full tummy every night. I love her and on Mother's Day I want to appreciate the days she has lived for. She is my superhero, she is a strong woman, a brave woman." Thank you for helping iKhaya provide Hope for me through:

- A safe and stimulating environment providing love and care
- Educational Support after school care with structured programs
- Life skills, therapeutic groups, art, sport, fun and play
- TWO wholesome, yummy meals a day
- Holistic care & family support for children affected by difficult life circumstances

#bethechange you wish to see in this world - share our Amazing Human Race campaign with a friend by using this link: https://www.givengain.com/c/ikhayalethembaproject/ #homeofhope