

UKUVA IAFRICA – NONCEBA FAMILY COUNSELING CENTRE



*Our
project to
donate all
funds
raised to
the victims
of
domestic
and sexual
violence
against
women
and
children.*

*When you are told about Cape Town, South Africa...
You are told about...*

...Our gorgeous flora...



*... Our amazing views
of Table Mountain...*



*... Our sunsets and
sunrises on our beautiful
beaches...*



BUT... What you aren't told about is...

...Our Townships...



... Our starving and abused children...



...Our lack of awareness...



We have met an extraordinary woman who is doing her absolute best to make a change...

But she can't do it alone...

Her name is Nocawe Mankayi, the founder of the Nonceba Family Counseling Centre.

This Centre was officially opened on the 5th of November 2008 in this small 2 office structure in Khayelitsha.



Nocawe started off with minimal funds and not much staff to assist her, but that never discouraged her from doing whatever she could in her power to make a difference and a change.

Nocawe and her staff keep the doors of the Centre open 24/7 and never turn their back on someone asking for help. Nocawe received donations from all over the world and worked so hard that she eventually managed to move the Centre to a bigger better location just a few blocks away. The new Centre had plenty of space for accommodation for the women and children, and even though everyday was a struggle, she would always have the most welcoming smile on her face... A few years ago Nocawe was expecting a visit from a group of high school children to give a tour of the Centre to. One of the Scholar's in particular was so moved by Nocawe's accomplishments and heart of gold that she decided to do her very best to help Nocawe and the Nonceba Family Counseling Centre, Her name was Ashley Kaimowitz...



Ashley Kaimowitz made it her mission to help the Nonceba Family Counseling Centre and had the passion to do it. She found ways to raise funds and would donate every cent to the Centre, by Ashley doing her part, it encouraged so many young individuals from school's all over Cape Town to do the same. Ashley followed her passion and found the perfect way for her to create awareness so she asked a film company to lend her filming equipment for her to make a video of the Nonceba Family Counseling Centre and use the video as material on her quest to create awareness and educate the communities and public about Domestic and Sexual Violence against Women and Children in the townships... The film company saw her passion and hunger to help so they willingly agreed to lend her the necessary equipment. Ashley, with the help of a few of her friends set out to Khayelitsha and put their documenting and producing skills to the test and made a successful, awareness video. Ashley then went on to study film in Japan, and even though she was thousands of miles away, she still made it her mission to educate people all over the world about the Nonceba Family Counseling Centre and managed to raise even more funds in Japan. Ashley was driving home late on a Friday night from a youth movement meeting. A drunken driver in a speeding car with no lights smashed into the drivers side of the car killing Ashley on impact... Ashley Kaimowitz: 16/08/85 -19/03/05.



This is Ashley's Story – Uthandu Labatwana - For the Love of Our Children

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SxKUQC3WhGM>

Ukuva has decided to keep Ashley's legacy alive and raise as much funds for the Nonceba Family Counseling Centre as possible... But we need your help. According to Wikipedia statistics, 1 person is raped every 36 seconds, this includes women and babies. South Africa has the highest reported incident of rape in the world!!! We need to make a change, Today! If not for ourselves, then for Ashley, for the victims of this country. So far, we have managed to raise R5000.00 from our Ukuva iAfrica sauces and spices and our Ukuva U-tubes. All funds raised from the sales of our products go straight to the Centre. We paid a little visit to the Centre and presented them with the Cheque for the funds raised, we were welcomed with smiling faces and open arms, and every single person who walks through those doors get welcomed the exact same way. Ashley's father, Jeffrey Kaimowitz, gave us a tour around the Centre and we'd like to share it with you.



This was the old building of the Nonceba Family Counseling Centre...



... And this is the Nonceba Family Counseling Centre Now...



You will be greeted by Nocawe who wears this jacket in memory of Ashley every day.



On your way to the social worker's rooms, you will find this image of Ashley on the wall made only from tiny beads.

This is the Children's room where the social worker works with the younger victims. It acts as a safe environment for them and they tend to open up about what they were exposed to. The room with the curtains is found to be very helpful as most children live in houses where curtains just like those are the only thing separating them from seeing their mothers being raped and abused...





This beautifully maintained bright green grass is one of the very first things you will see when entering the Centre



Ashley's Tree – all the leaves on the branches are names of companies and people who have donated funds to the Centre.

“One can change the World if you have a heart without fear, a mind without walls, and a dream big enough to share” – Ashley Kaimowitz



Hand crafted dolls which are sold to raise funds for the Centre.



To the left are the children's girls and boys' rooms and to the right are the living quarters for the female adults. Sometimes 1 bed is shared between 2 – 3 children.



These are some of the baby rape victims at the Centre. Most of them are too young to even walk. This Centre becomes their temporary home and safe haven until Social Services takes them into their care. They run to you with big excited smiles on their faces craving your love and affection even if it only lasts a few seconds.



This is the play area for the children, walls painted with quotes from Nelson Mandela, Desmond Tutu & Mahatma Gandhi. The Centre has experienced terrible flooding in winter leaving the play area destroyed and useless for the children, enough funds were eventually raised for AstroTurf so the children could still play outside.

*WE THANK YOU FROM THE
BOTTOM OF OUR AFRICAN
HEARTS!!!*



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