



Society for the Care of Persons with Mental Handicap

Journey of Impact

Charting the Course from Need to Impact

Annual Report 2026



Care

Dignity

Inclusion

Belonging

Hope



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OUR FOUNDATION

The Map That Grounds Our Journey

OUR FOUNDATION IS BUILT ON LOVE, DIGNITY,
COMPASSION AND LIFELONG COMMITMENT.

OUR IMPACT AT A GLANCE



300 RESIDENTS

currently call
LITTLE EDEN
home



1132+ RESIDENTS

have called
LITTLE EDEN home
since 1967



59 YEARS

of lifelong care,
compassion and
dedicated service



269

Dedicated staff



2 HOMES

Edenvale &
Bapsfontein providing
a safe and loving
environment



MISSION, VISION & VALUES MISSION STATEMENT

The Core of LITTLE EDEN Existence

Our mission is to care for, develop, and enhance the quality of life for individuals with profound intellectual disabilities. We are committed to providing this support with love and understanding.

We aim to offer essential spiritual, nursing, therapy, and stimulation services through cooperation with parents, the community, and the state. Our approach is to deliver these services efficiently and economically, trusting in Divine Providence.

There is one thing I know: that people with intellectual disability have great value and that God gave them to us to touch our hearts and make us better people.

— the late *Servant of God, Domitilla Rota Hylams (Founder), 2007*

CORE VALUES



RESPECT



SANCTITY OF LIFE



LOVE & CARE



OUR LEGACY OF LIFELONG CARE

For more than five decades, LITTLE EDEN Society has provided lifelong care, development, and holistic support to children, adults, and seniors living with profound and severe intellectual disabilities.

Since opening in 1967, more than 1 132 residents have called LITTLE EDEN home, each contributing to a legacy shaped by compassion, dignity, and unwavering commitment.

Many residents come from vulnerable circumstances, including trauma, abandonment, and complex medical or developmental conditions. At LITTLE EDEN, each person is embraced for their humanity, uniqueness, and inherent worth.

Today, 300 residents live in our homes in Edenvale and Bapsfontein, where they receive specialised nursing, therapy, developmental support, nutrition, and meaningful daily care in a safe and loving environment.

This lifelong commitment is sustained by dedicated staff, families, donors, volunteers, partners, and state support. As we reflect on our Journey of Impact, we honour every resident who has shaped our story—past and present.





WHEN THE JOURNEY BEGINS



Journeys begun at LITTLE EDEN



"Every life entrusted to LITTLE EDEN leaves a lasting imprint on our hearts."

New Admissions 2025/2026

A warm welcome to the new residents who joined our LITTLE EDEN family this year. May they blossom in their own season and know they are deeply loved.

Refloco Boholko
Jasmine Weber
Rua Reetseng
Otloleleng Motsepe
Gift Sengwana

Nthabis & Nthabiseng Ngaba
Olabile Mahangu
Lerato Phoku
Sipho Mthembu



Twin Sisters – A Journey of Love and Growth

Born prematurely and facing significant developmental challenges, twin sisters Nthabiseng and Ngaba were welcomed into LITTLE EDEN after heartbreaking loss of both their parents and grandmother.

Their early birth resulted in lifelong disabilities, requiring specialised care, therapy, and daily support.

Since arriving, the sisters have settled beautifully, forming friendships, participating in stimulating sensory activities, and becoming part of the LITTLE EDEN family.

Their journey is one of resilience, reminding us that with the right care, every life can blossom.





A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Fr Solomon Mphela

Caring for Life Transforming Futures Embracing Every ability

Dear Members, Partners, Donors, and Stakeholders,

It is with great joy that I present the Chairman's Report for the 2025/2026 financial year.

In his gospel St Matthew records Jesus as having said "whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me". (25:40)

The historical context of that recorded by St Matthew is that of first century Judea where the poor, widows, orphans and sick had no societal safety net to look after them.

Jesus called on society to take responsibility for these marginalised and vulnerable people; he called on society to embrace the "least" with empathy and compassion.

I have little doubt it was this call that moved the Society's founders Domitilla and Danny Hyams to found the Society and provide a caring loving home to those with profound mental disabilities.

It is the call to embrace these values that is at the core of the Society's mission. I am proud to say that it is this call that every person involved in the Society's work answers daily.

The Society cares for more than 300 souls that would otherwise have no home and no one to attend to their needs. Caring for the Society's residents is a massive undertaking. It is ordinarily challenging in good economic times to raise the funds to care for the Society's residents across two homes.

A small army of dedicated and loving people are necessary, from cleaners to cooks, medical staff to carers, fund raisers and management, all working selflessly and seamlessly together to answer Jesus' call.

In the context of the current, difficult, economic environment the Society's management have **streamlined operations and enhanced efficiencies** within the Society to keep annual cost increases below inflation. The Society's annual normalised expenditure in the year under review was R 54 122 115 compared with R 54 466 741 in the previous year, a reduction in expenditure of R 355 626 in an inflationary environment of 3.2% per month.

Streamlining and enhanced efficiencies cannot plug the gap between that which the State provides for residents' care and the actual cost. In the year under review, the State contributed R 21.84 million leaving a shortfall of R 32 606 741 to be raised. Here the invaluable contributions of donors enable the Society to continue its work. It is the donors who too, answer Jesus' call to compassion and care that affords the Society the ability to provide residents with the nutritional, physical, medical and spiritual care they need.



♥ PURPOSE

👥 PARTNERSHIP

🤝 COMPASSION

📈 IMPACT

☆ HOPE



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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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I am proud to report that the fruits of the outstanding work done by Ann Coetzee, board member Ray White, Business Development Manager Michael Mamabolo and their respective teams has resulted in the Society entering the financial new year with a cash surplus of R 698 438, notwithstanding a small normalised deficit of R 223 366, down from R 2 132 453 the previous year – a very healthy position.

I express my deep thanks to the Society's donors and those within the Society who work tirelessly to keep the Society's mission front of mind on social media platforms and the press, those who look after the special relationships the Society enjoys with its donors and those working the Society's shops and in organising awareness and fundraising campaigns.

The incredible work over the past financial year did not stop with a **marked improvement in the Society's financial position**; the drive to provide the best for the Society's residents, within the financial constraints, has been clear to see. The Society partners with the Gauteng Department of Health in its mission. The Department conducts regular and surprise audits on the Society's operations.

In this reporting period, the Society's management has worked closely with the Department. This has led to unprecedented clean audits across the Society's operations.

- The health and well-being of the Society's residents is, as the audits show, never been better.
- The appointment of a new Chief in the Society's kitchens, together with improved controls over stock and menus has not only brought about great efficiency in that aspect of resident care, but tangible benefits to residents' well-being.
- Residents' menus are prepared in accordance with the Department's guidelines, in consultation with specialist dieticians and in collaboration with medical professionals. The result is an unparalleled attention to ensuring that residents receive the correct nutritional and calorific intake to allow them to thrive in their environments.

I thank Craig and his team for ensuring the very best for the Society's residents.

Residents' **physical and spiritual needs** continue to be a priority. The Society is blessed by the ever-present nuns of India's Sisters for the Imitation of Christ Order. These highly qualified motivated and skilled nuns are integral to the Catholic values of the Society and its founders. It is through them and their inexhaustible energy that the Society's residents together with the medical professionals, ensure the most comfortable and engaging possible lives for the Society's residents.

I thank Sisters Seena, Merin and Lucia for all they do for our residents.

From a **governance perspective**, the Board of Governors has set about its governance role by listening to the Society's management and understanding the areas where greater support, value and guidance can be given.

Layle Trollip, the Board's Chartered Accountant leads the Society's Risk and Audit Committee. Under this committee, a forensic audit is underway to allow a deeper understanding of risks and opportunities within the Society.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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An area of special attention has been the **farming operations** at the Elvira Rota Village. The Society's farming operations have been identified as an area that has not performed to its best advantage. The importance of the farming operations cannot be understated as it has the potential of producing substantial amounts of the fresh vegetable requirements of residents. As the difficult economic times continue, the opportunity for the Society to become self-sustaining in this respect assumes greater significance. The farming operations also offer hitherto untapped commercial opportunities that conveniently dovetail with existing operations.

The Society has been blessed with the generous assistance of agricultural specialists and experienced farmers who have given up their time to advise the Society on how best these opportunities may be seized. I am grateful to these individuals and thank them for their time and expertise so freely given. I will report on the outcome of these new endeavours in the next reporting period.

The Board has, further, focused on **adherence to clean and ethical governance within the Society**. The focus of the Board has been to ensure that donor funds are spent strictly in the furtherance of the Society's mission, within the precepts of established governance rules and the law. Rainer Straussner, together with Alex Pullinger and Layle Trollip have been instrumental in guiding the transition from an historically family run charity to an independent professionally managed organisation worthy of ongoing donor support and the high profile enjoyed in society.

I am particularly grateful to Maurizio Galimberti, a former chair of the Board, for his insight and institutional memory. The Board's elder statesman continues to provide a steady hand in directing the Board's course.

In the past financial year two members of the Board have stepped down. I express my appreciation to Doctor Matthew Street, Luigi Slaviero and Stefan Kruger for all they have done in advancing the Society's mission. We also welcomed a new member, Ray White, to the Board. Ray's impact has already been immense.

In short, it has been, and continues to be, an honour and privilege to serve as the Board's Chairman as we look to add value to the founders' vision in the continuance of this mission of love and compassion for whom the Society cares.

I pray that the Society's mission continues to be blessed, that our Board, the Society's management and their respective teams experience this blessing through fulfilment and pray blessings and abundance upon the Society's generous donors.

Father Solomon Mphela

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Chairman of the Board of Governors





CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

Caring for Life Transforming Futures Embracing Every ability

Dear Friends, Partners, Donors, and Stakeholders,

It is with great pride and gratitude; that I present this Chief Executive Officer’s Report for the past financial year. This has been a year of meaningful transformation – one in which LITTLE EDEN Society not only navigated a challenging global landscape with resilience and ingenuity, but emerged stronger, more visible, and strategically aligned with the evolving needs of the disability sector and the needs of our residents than ever before.

The information that follows reflects the dedication of an extraordinary team, the generosity of a growing family of supporters, and the unwavering spirit of every individual in our care. This is not merely a report of financial outcomes – it is a testament to what becomes possible when purpose, people, and partnership converge.

1. Strategic Realignment: Positioning the LITTLE EDEN Society at the Heart of the Disability Sector

The past year has marked a decisive turning point in how LITTLE EDEN Society defines and communicates its role within the broader disability sector. For over five decades, our work has been rooted in an unconditional commitment to the dignity, wellbeing, and development of individuals with profound intellectual disabilities. Today, we are building on that foundation with renewed strategic intent – ensuring that LITTLE EDEN is recognised not only as a service provider of excellence, but as a thought leader, a sector voice, and a catalyst for change.

1.1 Structural Transformation

During this reporting period, we undertook a comprehensive review of our organisational structure, governance frameworks, and programme delivery models. This process required us to move beyond operational competence and into active sector leadership. Key structural initiatives implemented include:

- A dedicated fundraising division and management team, tasked with managing strategic partnerships, policy advocacy, and inter-sector collaboration.
- Redesigning our programmes to reflect a person-centred framework consistent with international disability standards.
- Focus on Quality Assurance and Impact Measurement to ensure that our services are continuously benchmarked against national and global best practice.

2. Navigating the Challenges and Our Response

No organisation operating in the non-profit space can be shielded from the realities of the global economic environment, and LITTLE EDEN Society is not an exception. This year has presented a formidable set of macroeconomic pressures that tested the resilience of our fundraising operations and financial processes.

Journey of Impact

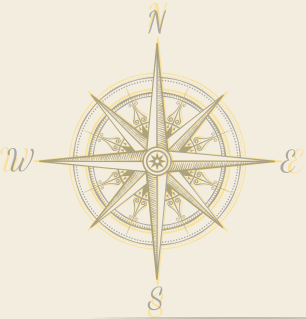
At LITTLE EDEN, every step we take is rooted in purpose and guided by love. Together, we walk a path of dignity, compassion, and lifelong commitment creating lasting change, one life at a time.



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT *Continued*

2.1 The Fundraising Landscape

South Africa's ongoing economic challenges —created a difficult environment for donor acquisition and retention. Simultaneously, many global philanthropic sectors have experienced a notable contraction in international funding flows, with many overseas foundations redirecting resources toward geopolitical crises and domestic priorities. This environment demanded both adaptability and innovation.



2.2 Our Strategic Response

In the face of these challenges, LITTLE EDEN Society chose a posture of bold, disciplined innovation. We undertook a thorough review of our fundraising strategy, identifying opportunities to diversify revenue streams, deepen donor relationships, and reduce our dependence on any single funding channel. The results of this strategic realignment are detailed in the sections that follow.

3. Financial Performance: Exceeding Expectations Against All Odds

It is my immense pleasure to report that, notwithstanding the challenges described above, LITTLE EDEN Society has not merely met its financial targets for the year — we have exceeded them. This achievement speaks volumes about the capability, commitment, and creativity of our team, and the loyalty and generosity of our donor community.

- Financial targets were met and exceeded across all key performance indicators
- Year-on-year growth in total income achieved despite adverse economic conditions
- The donor base expanded significantly, broadening our financial resilience
- New revenue streams successfully activated which diversified our income profile
- Operational costs were managed within budget while service quality was maintained

To every member of our team — from those at the frontlines of care to those behind the scenes in finance, operations, communications, and fundraising—I extend my sincerest congratulations. You have set a new benchmark for what LITTLE EDEN Society is capable of achieving.

4. Fundraising Innovation

One of the most exciting chapters of this year's report is the story of our fundraising transformation. Faced with a contracting traditional donor landscape, LITTLE EDEN Society responded with creativity and a willingness to reimagine how we engage with supporters and generate the resources needed to fulfill our mission.



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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT *Continued*

4.1 New and Innovative Fundraising Programs

This year we launched six initiatives to diversify income and strengthen donor relationships:

- **Digital Giving Platform** – Mobile optimised, with recurring donations, and gamified challenges resonating with younger donors.
- **CSI Partnerships** – A structured framework helping corporates align their social investment with our work, attracting new partners and deepening ones.
- **Community Fundraising Activations** – Walks, school drives, and open days reached new audiences, generating income and awareness beyond traditional fundraising.
- **Legacy & Planned Giving** – Formalised estate planning conversations with long-term donors, already yielding commitments that will benefit beneficiaries for generations.
- **Online Auctions & Experiential Events** – Premium events attracting new and lapsed donors, raising significant funds and media coverage.
- **Circle of Care Monthly Giving** – A recurring giving programme building reliable income and deeper donor loyalty.

4.2 Expanding Our Donor Base

The breadth and ambition of our new fundraising programmes have translated directly into a significant expansion of our donor base. This year, we welcomed a number of new individual donors, corporate partners, and foundation supporters. Equally important is the diversity of this expanded base: our donor community now spans a wider range of ages, geographies, and giving capacities.

5. Brand Awareness, Visibility, and Sector Leadership

This year we made deliberate strides to elevate our public profile and establish LITTLE EDEN as a leading voice in the disability sector.

5.1 Communications and Media Strategy

We refreshed our communications approach around authentic storytelling and consistent multi-channel content. Social media engagement, and print and broadcast coverage grew significantly, positioning us as a credible, compassionate authority on intellectual disability and inclusive care.

5.2 Guest Speaker Engagements

Our leadership was invited to speak at high-profile conferences and sector gatherings, raising our profile, expanding our networks, and affirming that five decades of expertise in caring for individuals with profound intellectual disabilities is increasingly recognised beyond our own walls.



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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT *Continued*

5.3 Brand Partnerships and Awareness Campaigns

Strategic partnerships, cause-related marketing, and digital influencer collaborations brought our mission to new audiences and meaningfully grew recognition of our name and work.

6. Looking Ahead

We enter the coming year with confidence, clarity, and a realistic understanding of the road ahead. Economic pressures will persist, fundraising will demand continued innovation, and our beneficiaries' needs will remain our constant priority.

Our priorities for the coming year are clear: to deepen the structural reforms we have set in motion; to consolidate and grow the fundraising gains we have achieved; to further strengthen our brand presence and sector influence; and above all, to continue providing the highest possible quality of care to every individual who calls LITTLE EDEN home.

We will continue to invest in our people – recognising that the heart of LITTLE EDEN Society has always been, and will always remain, the extraordinary women and men who show up every day to care, to connect, and to make a difference. Their professionalism, compassion, and commitment are the foundation upon which every achievement reported here is built.

In closing

I am deeply grateful to our Board of Governors for their wisdom and steadfast leadership, which underpins everything we do.

To our donors – individuals, corporate, foundations, and faith communities – thank you. Your generosity, especially in a year when giving required real sacrifice, is a wonderful clear act of solidarity with our most vulnerable.

To our partners and sector colleagues, thank you for welcoming us into your networks and conversations. Together, we are building a disability sector worthy of those it serves.

And to our team – without exception, at every level of this organisation – you have my unreserved admiration and gratitude. This year's results are your achievement. The children and adults in our care are fortunate to have you in their corner, and so am I.

To the individuals who live and thrive in our care, and to their families: everything we do, we do for you. Your lives, your dignity, and your joy are our greatest measure of success.

Finally, and most profoundly, to God without whom none of this would be possible.

With gratitude
Ann Coetzee
Chief Executive Officer





OUR MATERIAL ISSUES

on Our Journey of Impact

As we continue our Journey of Impact, we remain focused on the issues that matter most to sustaining dignified, lifelong care for our residents. In a complex and changing environment, these priorities guide our decisions, strengthen our resilience, and shape our path forward.

OUR KEY MATERIAL PRIORITIES



CARE OF RESIDENTS AND ORGANISATIONAL ETHOS

Protecting dignity, quality of care, and the values that define our mission.



FINANCIAL STABILITY

Strengthening sustainability in a difficult economic climate.



HUMAN RESOURCE CAPACITY

Investing in the people who make compassionate care possible.



DONOR RELATIONSHIPS AND SUSTAINABILITY

Building enduring partnerships that sustain our mission.



GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Working with public stakeholders to navigate regulation and support service delivery.



PUBLIC RELATIONS, COMMUNICATION AND BRAND AWARENESS

Growing visibility, trust, and understanding of our work.



GOVERNANCE AND TRANSPARENCY

Ensuring accountability, ethical leadership, and stakeholder confidence.



ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

Responding proactively to external pressures that affect funding and operations.



WHY THESE ISSUES MATTER

These priorities reflect both the realities we face and the opportunities ahead. They influence how we care, how we lead, and how we grow. Together, they form the compass that helps us navigate challenges while staying true to our mission.

LOOKING AHEAD

Our Journey of Impact is one of resilience, responsibility, and hope. By managing these material issues with intention and care, we strengthen our ability to deliver lasting impact for residents, families, donors, staff, and the wider community.

*Guided by purpose.
Driven by
compassion.*



MONITORING & EVALUATION

Tracking Our Journey of Impact

Our monitoring and evaluation approach provides a strategic view of how care, sustainability, governance, communication, and community engagement come together. For 2025/2026, the focus is not only on reporting results, but on tracking performance consistently, identifying risks early, and guiding timely decision-making.

2025/2026 STRATEGIC MONITORING PRIORITIES

STRATEGIC FOCUS AREA	WHAT WE ARE MONITORING	HOW WE ARE MONITORING	OUR EVALUATION CYCLE
 RESIDENTIAL CARE	Track continuity of care for 300 residents, compliance status, care-plan quality, and implementation of individual care profiles across both homes.	- Monthly reporting - Bi-monthly management review - Annual compliance assessment	 MONTHLY REPORTING Supports responsive management and identifies risks early.
 FUNDRAISING AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	Monitor progress against the R&D million operating requirement, income diversification, donor retention, digital fundraising growth, and implementation of the 2025-2027 diversification strategy.	- Monthly income dashboards - Quarterly strategic review - Annual budget review	 QUARTERLY REVIEWS Strengthens organisational learning and drive continuous improvement.
 INCOME-GENERATING STREAMS AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE	Assess growth of the Charity Shop, Adopt an Angel, MySchool, and emerging enterprise opportunities, while monitoring readiness for longer-term initiatives such as pecan farming.	- Quarterly performance review - Annual sustainability assessment	 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT Enables reflection on progress, response to risk, and strategic realignment.
 COMMUNICATION AND ADVOCACY	Measure media visibility, digital engagement, advocacy reach, and the effectiveness of structured storytelling in strengthening donor confidence and sector profile.	- Monthly channel reporting - Quarterly communication review	 DEEPENING OUR JOURNEY OF IMPACT With clarity, accountability, and purpose.
 GOVERNANCE, COMPLIANCE AND FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT	Track Board and committee oversight, compliance obligations, risk monitoring, financial stewardship, and formalisation of performance management systems.	- Monthly management reporting - Bi-monthly board review - Quarterly compliance oversight	
 VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	Track volunteer participation, alumni engagement, school and community outreach, and conversion of engagement into sustained support.	- Quarterly engagement review - Annual impact assessment	

THE LANDSCAPE OF NEED

Understanding the landscape We Serve

-  Admissions through social work referrals, Children's Court & legal care applications
-  Families seeking a safe, nurturing and sustainable care environment
-  Serving Gauteng communities with love, compassion and specialised lifelong care
-  Each resident is treated as an individual, valued, supported and loved



DDHH – EDENVALE *Intensive Care*

-  Specialised intensive care
-  24-hour support
-  Complex medical needs
-  Dignity, stability & quality of life



ERV – BAPSFONTEIN *Community & Belonging*

-  Nurturing community environment
-  Residential & support services
-  Belonging, growth & quality of life

*These statistics reflect not just numbers, but **300** individual lives.*

Our commitment is to ensure that every resident receives person-centred care that honours their unique journey and supports their wellbeing throughout their lifetime.



THE LANDSCAPE OF NEED *Continued*

OUR IMPACT, *By the numbers*



BENEFICIARY DEMOGRAPHIC



Total Residents

300
(150 DDHH | 150 ERV)



Gender Distribution



124

Male



176

Female



Age Range

4 years - 71 years

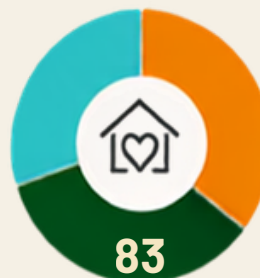


Average length of Stay

Many residents have been in care for 40+ years

LENGTH OF STAY

23
(=< 2 years)



102
(2-10 years)

83
(=>10 years - Lifelong)

GEOGRAPHIC & DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN

Category	DDHH	ERV	TOTAL
African	105	107	212
Coloured	5	6	11
Indian / Asian	1	1	2
White	39	36	75
	150	150	150

AGE DISTRIBUTION

Age Group	DDHH		ERV		TOTAL		
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	TOTAL
Adults (20+)	42	57	39	59	81	116	197
Adolescents (10-19)	18	24	19	24	37	48	85
Children (0-9)	3	9	3	3	6	12	18
TOTAL	63	90	61	86	124	176	300



THE LANDSCAPE OF NEED *Continued*



MOBILITY & ASSISTIVE DEVICES

Device/Support	DDHH	ERV	TOTAL
Wheelchairs	110	70	180
Other Devices	0	6	6
	110	76	186



RESIDENT PROFILE & CARE NEEDS

Condition	DDHH	ERV	TOTAL
Severe Intellectual Disability	1	12	13
Profound Intellectual Disability	149	138	287
Chronic Medication	71	54	125
Psychiatric Medication	61	70	131
Chronic & Psychiatric	28	16	44
	300	300	300

**OUR
SERVICES,**
By the numbers

Resident Movement & Flow

Metric	DDHH	ERV	TOTAL
Total Number of Residents	150	149	299
Admissions	3	6	9
Deaths	4	2	6
Discharges	3	0	3
Movement	4	-4	0
Abandoned/ no family contact	62	76	138



HEALCARE UTILIZATION (Annual)

Service Type	DDHH	ERV	TOTAL	Service Type	DDHH	ERV	TOTAL
Hospital Days	224	124	368	Specialist Consultations	22	149	171
Psychiatrist Consultations	235	224	459	Dental Service on Site	5	0	5
Specialised Hospital Consultations	151	192	343	Pharmacy-Meds Collected	0	0	0
Pharmacy-fetching meds at hospital	0	0	0				
Dental Service on Site	0	0	0				



THE JOURNEY OF CARE

Navigating Pathways of Support

ENHLE'S JOURNEY OF IMPACT

When Enhle arrived at LITTLE EDEN Society earlier this year, she carried with her a story marked by loss, uncertainty, and extraordinary courage. Born prematurely on 15 July 2019 and diagnosed with cerebral palsy, Enhle had already faced more challenges in her young life than most others. Abandoned shortly after birth and without the support of a family, she entered our home needing not only specialised care, but love, belonging, and hope for the future.

Today, Enhle's journey is one of transformation.



Within the nurturing environment of LITTLE EDEN, she is surrounded by compassionate caregivers who provide consistent existential care to her unique needs.



Her growth is supported through holistic therapeutic intervention that focuses not only on her physical wellbeing, but on unlocking her potential and joy.



Occupational therapy assists Enhle in developing essential functional skills, helping her engage more confidently with the world around her.



Physiotherapy strengthens her mobility, posture, and physical comfort, enabling her to experience greater independence and freedom of movement.



Music and sensory stimulation sessions are a powerful language of connection for Enhle – a space where smiles smile, laughter follows rhythm, and emotion is expressed beyond words.



Enhle's continued use of the word "Choma" – meaning "friendly" – reminds us that every resident carries within them the desire to love, belong, and be seen.



Enhle's story reminds us that impact is not always measured in grand milestones, but often in the quiet moments – a relaxed smile during therapy, a response to music, a new movement achieved, or a child calling someone "Friend".

OUR INTEGRATED CARE MODEL

A Whole-Person Approach



MEASURABLE IMPACT



300 Residents cared for with dignity and compassion



Integrated multidisciplinary care delivered daily



Individualised support plans focused on growth and wellbeing



Meaningful participation, joy, and connection every day



A safe, loving home – today and every day



THE JOURNEY OF CARE

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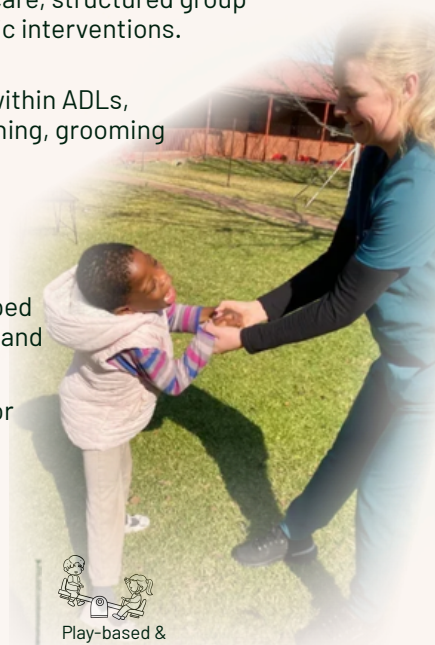
THERAPY & HEALTHCARE SERVICES



1. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (OT)

Occupational therapy services are delivered to all 300 residents through a combination of daily integrated care, structured group programmes, and individualised therapeutic interventions.

- Daily OT-informed support embedded within ADLs, including feeding participation, positioning, grooming support, and functional engagement
- Weekly structured group sessions per residential wing (approximately 1.5 hours per session)
- Individual therapy programmes developed following comprehensive assessments and ongoing clinical observation
- Annual functional reviews conducted for all residents to monitor progress and adjust intervention plans



Key intervention areas:



Sensory Integration



Cognitive Stimulation



Fine & Gross Motor Development



Adaptive Seating & Positioning



Play-based & Meaningful Activities

IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

- Improved functional participation in daily activities
- Enhanced feeding, grooming & self-care involvement
- Better postural alignment & positioning for comfort
- Increased engagement & independence

SUCCESS STORY

Metse's Journey of Determination
When Metse arrived in 2021, walking seemed impossible. Through courage and perseverance, she has progressed from crawling to walking with support. Today, she inspires others with every step forward – proving that determination can overcome expectations.



2. PHYSIOTHERAPY SERVICES

Physiotherapy services are delivered daily across both homes, forming an essential component of the multidisciplinary rehabilitation and care framework for all 300 residents.

Interventions focus on:

- Maintenance and improvement of mobility and physical function
- Prevention of contracts and secondary complications associated with mobility
- Assisted standing, weight-bearing, and mobility stimulation programmes
- Respiratory physiotherapy, including secretion management and chest care support
- Pain and comfort management related to physical limitations and positioning needs



IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

- Improved mobility, strength & posture
- Reduced risk of contracts
- Better respiratory health & comfort
- Greater independence & participation

SUCCESS STORY

Asanda is a happy young man at LITTLE EDEN who loves toy cars, music, and being part of daily activities. Living with asthma, he receives regular physiotherapy to support his breathing and wellbeing. This specialised care keeps him comfortable, active, and able to enjoy the moments that bring him joy.



ENHANCED RESPIRATORY CARE

Additional clinical equipment strengthened our capacity, improving responsiveness during periods of increased respiratory vulnerability.



Suction Machines



Oxygen Support



Nebulizer Therapy



Monitoring Equipment



THE JOURNEY OF CARE

Continued

THERAPY & HEALTHCARE SERVICES



3. MUSIC AND EXPRESSIVE ENGAGEMENT

Music therapy is delivered through weekly structured sessions across all residential wings and remains a key modality for emotional expression, engagement, and non-verbal communication.

- Rhythm-based activities promote emotional responsiveness
- Movement & vocal stimulation encourage self-expression
- Instrument participation builds confidence and motor skills
- Large-scale performance events foster joy and social connection
- Inclusion & collective participation promote belonging and unity

IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

- Improved emotional responsiveness
- Increased engagement in low-participation residents
- Enhanced social interaction & group participation
- Powerful expression for residents with complex needs



SUCCESS STORY

One of the most rewarding moments this year has been witnessing Khanya's transformation. Once unable to join sessions due to aggression, Khanya now confidently enters the hall, helps hand out instruments, and participates with joy. His journey is a beautiful reminder of the impact of patience, care, and celebrating every small step forward.



4. SENSORY STIMULATION & HOLISTIC WELLBEING

Sensory and holistic care is fully integrated into the daily routine of all 300 residents and forms a foundational pillar of the care model.

- Structured sensory stimulation through dedicated environments and daily activities
- Engagement of sight, sound, touch & movement
- Nutrition support, nursing care & spiritual wellbeing
- Daily multidisciplinary planning aligned with individual needs & wellbeing status

Impact Highlights

- Promotes emotional regulation
- Reduces distress responses
- Enhances engagement in care & stimulation
- Supports comfort, wellbeing & quality of life

SUCCESS STORY

Sensory activities help Mila stay calm, explore, and connect in beautiful ways every single day.





THE JOURNEY OF CARE *Continued*

THERAPY & HEALTHCARE SERVICES



OUR AMAZING CARE TEAM



1. STAFF TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

Ongoing staff development is a critical enabler of service quality and consistency across both facilities. Training is delivered to all caregiving, nursing, and therapy staff through structured in-service programmes and interdisciplinary collaboration.

Core Training Areas



Safe feeding practices



Aspiration prevention



Positioning & mobility support



Understanding complex neurological & developmental conditions



Communication strategies for non-verbal residents

This has strengthened alignment across disciplines and improved the consistency and safety of care delivery.



Continuous training



Stronger teams



Safer care



Better outcomes



Lives transformed



2. COMMUNITY OUTREACH & INCLUSION

We believe in building inclusive communities where every individual is valued, supported, and given the opportunity to belong. Our outreach programmes extend care, awareness, and hope beyond our homes.

- Community awareness & education programmes
- Inclusive events & partnership collaborations
- Volunteer engagement & youth involvement
- Support for families & caregiver guidance
- Promoting dignity, acceptance & belonging



THE JOURNEY OF CARE *Continued*

HEALTHCARE SERVICES

3. THE JOURNEY OF IMPACT

- Continuous care for 300 residents across two homes
- Daily integration of occupational therapy, physiotherapy, nursing, and sensory stimulation services
- Weekly structured operational and music therapy sessions across all residential wings
- Annual functional review processes for all residents
- 100% coverage of sensory-based care interventions within daily routines
- This integrated system ensures that care is not fragmented, but delivered as a unified model that supports each resident holistically.



Story from the Field

Since joining LITTLE EDEN in 2017, I have been privileged to care for our residents as both a seamstress and care worker. Whether I'm repairing clothing, accompanying residents to hospital appointments, or simply offering a helping hand, I know that every small act of care makes a difference.

LITTLE EDEN is more than a workplace, it's a family, and I'm proud to be part of it.

Debra Malehu Letsoko
Care Worker and Seamstress ❤️

4. INTEGRATED CARE SUMMARY

Our core programme represents a fully integrated care ecosystem in which clinical excellence, therapeutic intervention, and daily living support operate as a single, coordinated framework.



Clinical
excellence

*Expert,
compassionate
healthcare
every day.*



Therapeutic
intervention

*Building
abilities,
supporting
potential.*



Daily living
support

*Dignity,
comfort and
meaningful
routines*



Emotional
wellbeing

*Nurturing
hearts,
Building
confidence.*



Meaningful
Participation

*Engaged in
life. Included
always.*



TWO LIVES. ONE FAMILY.



Anthony's Warm Presence

Meet
Anthony
Our Oldest Resident

From the youngest smiles to the wisest hearts, every resident at LITTLE EDEN embodies the true meaning of our Journey of Impact. Meet Minni, our youngest resident, and Anthony, our eldest resident. Two lives, two remarkable journeys – one loving home.



Minni's Bright Smile

Meet
Minni
Our Youngest Resident

A Journey Well Lived

Turning 70 is a remarkable milestone and shows for a life well lived. Reaching this age is an achievement for anyone, but for Anthony, it is especially meaningful. The oldest resident at LITTLE EDEN, Anthony holds a special place in our hearts, and our family would not be the same without him.

Anthony only joined LITTLE EDEN at the age of 47, having spent much of his time surrounded by the love and care of his family. However, following the passing of his father, his mother became increasingly unable to provide the level of care he required. His family made the decision to entrust his care to LITTLE EDEN.

Since then, Anthony has become an integral part of a new family and continues to live a life filled with comfort and belonging.

We can honor not only his longevity but also the journey he has taken. His life is a reminder of the importance of family, community, and compassionate care. His story alone shows that to LITTLE EDEN, age is just a number.

His Journey of Impact

- Anthony's life is a testament to resilience,
- He enjoys his routines, good conversation and being outdoors.
- He is a role model to younger residents and a source of calm and wisdom.
- Anthony's journey reminds us of the power of a life well lived.

A Journey of Hope and Resilience

For such a young girl, Minni has already endured more than many experiences in a lifetime. Before arriving at LITTLE EDEN, she experienced severe neglect and isolation, with limited care and opportunities during her most important developmental years. Thankfully, concerned community members stepped in, opening the door for Minni to begin a new journey.

Since finding her home at LITTLE EDEN, Minni has been surrounded by love, specialised care, therapy, and daily encouragement. Over the past year and a half, she has made remarkable progress – learning to move herself independently in her wheelchair and gaining strength as she explores movement through activities such as leopard crawling.

Although the impact of her early neglect means progress takes time, every milestone she reaches is a meaningful victory. Minni's journey is one of courage, healing, and perseverance – a beautiful reminder that with compassion, patience, and opportunity, every life has the ability to shine.

Her Journey of Impact

- Minni is discovering the world through love, stimulation and therapy.
- She enjoys music, bubbles, and sensory play.
- Her milestones, no matter how small, are celebrated as big victories.
- Minni inspires our team and fellow residents with her courage and joyful spirit.



ENVIROMENTAL IMPACT



INFRASTRUCTURE



SUSTAINABILITY



AGRICULTURE



FUTURE RESILIENCE

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

Creating Spaces That Care

BOITUMELO SHOWERBATH UPGRADES

- Modernised bathing facilities
- Safer care delivery
- Enhanced resident dignity



HEALTH-RISK WASTE FACILITY

- Improved compliance
- Healthcare sustainability



STORMWATER & DRAINAGE SYSTEM

- Flood prevention
- Water sustainability
- Wetland replenishment



RESIDENT & STAFF FACILITY UPGRADES

- LED lighting
- Modernised ablutions
- Improved communal areas

INVESTMENTS THAT LAST



INFRASTRUCTURE

Building safe, accessible homes.



ENERGY

Powering care sustainably.



WATER

Securing water for life.



AGRICULTURE

Growing resources for the future.



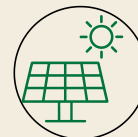
RESIDENT WELLBEING

Enhancing quality of life every day.

"These developments are more than operational improvements - they are lasting investment in dignity, resilience, compassionate care, and the sustainability of the organisation for generations to come."

SUSTAINABILITY IN ACTION

ENERGY RESILIENCE - ERV

**200KW**

Solar System

256

Solar Panels

Battery
Storage
Installed

Reduced diesel reliance • Reliable power • Continuity of care

WATER SECURITY - DDHH

**100 000L**
Water Storage

- Continuous Pressurised Supply
- Protection against municipal interruptions

Strengthening water resilience • Securing essential care



ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

Growing Sustainability For the Future

Through responsible resource management, sustainable practices, and a deep respect for the environment, we are building a better future for generations to come.

SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES



AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

- First Pecan harvest from newer orchard
- Future income generation



LAND OPTIMISATION

- Maize cultivation
- 8 hectares under Maize



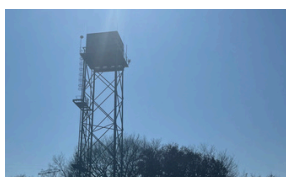
RAINFALL RECOVERY 807mm

Rainfall Recorded

- Improved agricultural outlook
- Enhanced water sustainability



WATER CONSERVATION



Rainwater harvesting and water storage systems help us reduce reliance on municipal water and ensure a more secure future.



RESPONSIBLE LAND USE



We use our land wisely by cultivating crops, rotating plants, and maintaining healthy soil to support long-term productivity.



RENEWABLE ENERGY



Solar energy powers our homes, reducing our carbon footprint and ensuring reliable, sustainable energy for our residents.



WASTE MANAGEMENT



We practice waste separation, recycling and responsible disposal to keep our environment clean and safe.



CARING FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT



From indigenous planting to maintaining green spaces, we nurture the natural beauty around us for generations to enjoy.



TRAILS OF PARTNERSHIP

The People Who Walk the Journey With Us

Throughout the 2025/2026 financial year, LITTLE EDEN Society's Journey of Impact was strengthened through meaningful fundraising initiatives, volunteerism and strategic partnerships that advanced dignity, inclusion, and lifelong care for residents living with profound intellectual disabilities.

None of these journeys are walked alone. Together, donors, volunteers, partners, riders, gofers, schools, churches, businesses, and communities help transform compassion into lifelong care.



FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGNS & INITIATIVES



CEO Wheelchair Campaign



Hosted at Eastgate Mall in partnership with MasterDrive, creating awareness around disability inclusion and lived empathy during Intellectual Disability Awareness Month 2025/2026.



Absolute 80s – Emperors Palace Fundraising Event



Sold-out Absolute 80s show at Emperors Palace raised R25 889 in income in support of resident care programmes.



Stamtingro Edenvale Marathon 2026



Through water station activations, merchandise sales, and awareness engagements, we interacted with 6500 participants and raised R21 470.



Treasure Hunt – Charity Shop Activation



Hosted at DDHH in Sebenza, bringing together charity shop patrons and community supporters in a vibrant social enterprise initiative.



Valentine's Day Appeal



Raised R15 500 to provide specialised reclining chairs for residents Grant and Candy, improving comfort, dignity, mobility support, and overall wellbeing.



SPORTS FOR A CAUSE

Montblanc Ride for a Reason



For the 6th consecutive year, LITTLE EDEN selected as the charity of choice. The campaign raised R117 853 towards specialised lifelong care for residents living with profound intellectual disabilities.

Rugby – Fun with the Valke



Residents cheered with joy at a Valke rugby match. The team has embraced them as family, inspiring connection through sport.

OUR PARTNERS. OUR STRENGTH



Corporate Partners



Schools



Volunteers



Businesses



Churches



Families



Community



Foundations



TRAILS OF PARTNERSHIP



COMMUNITY GIVING & SUPPORT



JOY & CELEBRATION FOR ALL

300 Smiles Campaign



Monthly birthday celebrations and events (Valentine's Day, Easter, Heritage Day, Youth Day, Christmas, Spring Day) created moments of joy for all 300 residents. Supported by schools, churches, corporates, and individuals, raising ±R150 000 for resident wellbeing and inclusion.

Shoe Appeal – Step into Their Joy



Provided 90 pairs shoes and hiking sandals, enhancing comfort, movement, dignity, and participation in daily activities for residents.



GOLF & SPORTS FOR GOOD

LITTLE EDEN Golf day – swing with heart



Held on 2 November 2025, the annual Golf Day welcomed 136 players, 34 four-balls, and 11 corporate sponsors under the inspiring theme Swing With Heart. Supported for the third consecutive year by headline sponsor Air Products South Africa, the event raised R250 435 in support of specialised resident care.

Festive Declutter Campaign



Pre-loved items collected at Stoneridge Mall encouraged sustainable giving and supported the ongoing wellbeing and care of residents.

In Lie of Gifts



Individuals and families chose to celebrate birthdays, milestones, memorials, and special occasions in lieu of gifts, raising ng R72 885 and creating meaningful impact for residents.

Bowls Day Partnerships



In partnership with Boutique Insurance Brokers and corporate partners, Bowls Day raised R45 000 while creating a platform for networking, relationship-building, and social impact collaboration.



PARTNERSHIPS & COMMUNITY ACTIVATIONS

Mandela day – roll with purpose



Between April 2025 and March 2026, we participated in 24 community activations across schools, malls, churches, markets, and internal events, generating R87 555.80 while strengthening visibility, awareness, and public engagement.

Ride Joburg 2025 – riding with purpose



A dedicated team of 46 cyclists participated in Ride Joburg 2025 to raise awareness and funds for LITTLE EDEN Society. The initiative raised R360 000 while amplifying awareness around profound intellectual disability and inclusive care.

Community Activations

54 companies and 478 volunteers across Edenvale and Bapsfontein homes contributed 18 070 collective service hours, raising over R464 958 towards Madiba Buggies and contributed ±R120 000 in goods-in-kind donations.





TRAILS OF PRATNERSHIPS *Continued*

Donor Engagement and Stewardship



Volunteer Appreciation – Annual Shop Opening



LITTLE EDEN Society extended sincere appreciation to the 16 volunteers who supported the Annual Shop Opening, helping create a welcoming and impactful fundraising experience while strengthening community involvement.

 16 Volunteers



Volunteer Appreciation Programme



Over 80 volunteers, including students and adults, supported gift wrapping, Mandela Day initiatives, internal events, mall activities, and fundraising campaigns throughout the year. Their dedication greatly supported resident wellbeing and organisational success.

 80+ Volunteers



Community Support – Bubble Machine Initiative



Families and community donors honoured loved ones through meaningful donations towards specialised resident support initiatives, reinforcing the deep connection between community compassion and resident wellbeing.



Community Support – Suction Machine Initiative



A festive raffle initiative hosted by Clockwork Properties, supported by Nel Attorneys, raised funds for the purchase of a critical suction machine for residents with complex respiratory challenges, strengthening emergency and daily healthcare support.



Christmas Charity Drive – Community Outreach



LITTLE EDEN Society, in partnership with Mamba Strike Force and supporting organisations, hosted a festive Santa outreach that brought gifts and joy to residents.



Christmas Concert Around the World in 80 Minutes



Residents proudly showcased their talents in a two-day concert themed Around the World in 60 Minutes, celebrating inclusion, achievement, and community support.





The People Who Walk the Journey With Us

Business Development Highlights



Corporate Sports & Wellness Activations



LITTLE EDEN Society participated in nine corporate sports and wellness activations during the year, including cycle challenges, golf days, wellness events, and sports days. These initiatives generated R29 875 in merchandise while strengthening engagement with corporate stakeholders.



9 Corporate Activations



Cycle Challenges, Golf Days, Wellness Events & Sports Days



R29 875 Generated



Corporate Volunteer Programme



The Corporate Volunteer Programme welcomed participation from organisations including, BBM Law De Beers Group, The Peech Hotel, Valke Rugby Team, Spur Corporation, and ESS Company. 11 corporate groups and 88 volunteers contributed 24 hours of volunteer engagement through resident interaction, stimulation activities, and donations.



11 Corporate Groups



88 Volunteers



24 Hours of Volunteer Engagement



Schools & Churches Volunteer Programme



Schools, churches, and community groups including St David's Marist Inanda, Curro Bedfordview, CFC Assumption Convent, Church of the Way, and participated in meaningful volunteer activities including celebrations, pecan picking, and resident engagement initiatives.



St Davids Marist Inanda



Curro Bedfordview



Assumption Convent



Church of the Way



CFC



Celebrations & Pecan Picking



Recognition - CSI Legacy Awards 2026



LITTLE EDEN Society was recognised as a Top Four Finalist in the NGO category of the CSI Legacy Awards 2026 from over 390 participating organisations nationwide. This recognition affirms the organisation's continued commitment to dignity, care, inclusion, and service excellence.



CSI LEGACY AWARDS 2026

Over 390 organisations nationwide



TRAILS OF PARTNERSHIPS *Continued...*



Social Media Outreach & Digital Presence



Growth in Engagement

Facebook achieved over 607,000 combined views with measurable expansion on LinkedIn and Instagram.



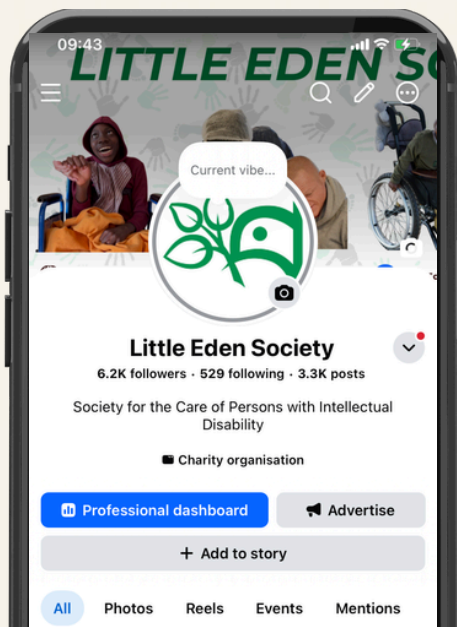
Digital Strategy

Structured video and content campaigns highlighted organisational impact, financial transparency, seasonal activations and donor awareness.

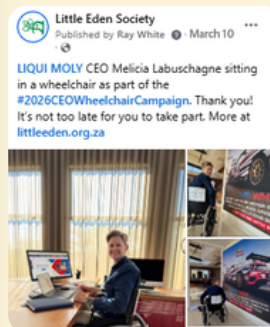


Transparency & Connection

Digital storytelling reinforced trust and strengthened relationships with stakeholders.



FACEBOOK
607 000+
Combined Views



607K



LINKEDIN
Growing
Engagement



GROWING



INSTAGRAM
Growing
Followers

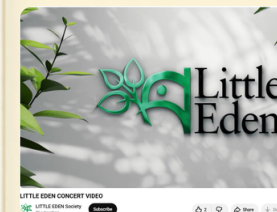


GROWING



**Video Content
Engagement**

Impact stories,
campaign highlights,
awareness and behind
the-scenes moments.



2.1K 120 34

EVERY SHARE HELPS OUR STORY REACH SOMEONE WHO CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.





TRAILS OF PARTNERSHIP *continued...*

The People Who Walk the Journey With Us



MARKETING & BRAND STORYTELLING



National Brand Recognition:

LITTLE EDEN Society transitioned into a recognisable national brand within the non-profit sector.



Campaign Highlights:

Mandela Day initiatives, organisational milestones, and the CEO Wheelchair Campaign were amplified through multimedia storytelling.



Narrative Approach:

Messaging focused on inclusion, intellectual disability awareness, and the organisation's mission, creating a cohesive and compelling brand identity.



**Mandela Day
Roll With Purpose**



**CEO Wheelchair
Campaign**



**Milestones That
Create Impact**



ADVOCACY & PUBLIC AWARENESS



Media Engagement:

Coverage across major radio platforms (702, CapeTalk, 947, SAFM, Hot FM, Radio Veritas) and television (eNCA), plus extensive print exposure.



Leadership Voice:

CEO Ann Coetzee led advocacy communications, strengthening national awareness of intellectual disability and inclusion.



Public Profile:

Sustained advocacy positioned LITTLE EDEN as a thought leader, ensuring visibility in national conversations on care and inclusion.



Future Focus:

Continued emphasis on advocacy is needed to sustain momentum and expand national digital reach.

Radio Coverage

702.

CAPETALK
567AM

947.



Television & Print





PATHWAYS TO SUSTAINABILITY

Building Independence Along the Journey of Impact

At LITTLE EDEN Society, the Journey of Impact extends beyond the compassionate care provided to residents each day — it also reflects the organisation's commitment to building a sustainable future for generations to come. As healthcare demands and operational pressures continue to grow, sustainability remains essential to ensuring that lifelong care can continue with dignity, stability, and purpose. Through enterprise development, community partnerships, operational innovation, and responsible stewardship of resources, LITTLE EDEN continues strengthening pathways toward greater organisational independence and long-term resilience.



Enterprise development



Community partnerships



Operational innovation



Responsible stewardship



Long-term resilience



CHARITY SHOPS — COMMUNITY SUPPORT CREATING EVERYDAY IMPACT

Throughout the year, LITTLE EDEN's charity shops continued serving as important centres of affordability, opportunity, and community support. For many individuals and families, the shops provide access to affordable clothing, furniture, household goods, and essential items through challenging economic times. Others rely on the shops as a means of generating income through resale opportunities to support their families.



At the same time, every purchase made contributes directly toward the care and wellbeing of LITTLE EDEN's residents.



A major operational milestone during the year was securing a new corner shop premises with improved visibility and accessibility, creating exciting opportunities for future growth and improved customer experience. Additional operational improvements included strengthened stock tracking systems, improved donation recording processes, and more efficient collection route planning in response to rising fuel costs.



Beyond financial contribution, the shops continue creating meaningful social and environmental impact by supporting recycling, reducing waste, and extending the lifecycle of reusable goods within the community.



4.18%

Increase in sales compared to the previous year



R580,162.70

Highest monthly sales in January



R145,000

Treasure Hunt Market — most successful to date



New Corner Shop Premises

Improved visibility & accessibility



*Affordable for families.
Impact for our residents.*



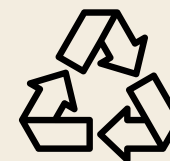
Every purchase changes a life.



Making a difference every day.

Operational Improvements

- Stronger stock tracking systems
- Improved donation recording processes
- Responding to rising fuel costs
- More efficient collection route planning



Supporting responsible recycling, reducing waste, and extending the lifecycle of reusable goods within our community.



PATHWAYS TO SUSTAINABILITY *continued.*

Growing today. Sustaining tomorrow. Caring for generations.



1. PECAN NUT FARMING — PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE

At Elvira Rota Village in Bapsfontein, LITTLE EDEN continues cultivating long-term sustainability through its growing pecan nut farming initiative. Situated on the organisation's 43-hectare property, the orchard forms part of a broader strategy aimed at strengthening financial sustainability and building future-focused enterprise opportunities.

THE PROJECT CURRENTLY INCLUDES:



2,094

pecan trees
planted



154

mature trees in
full production



1,940

developing trees
to achieve full
production within
the next 3 - 5 years

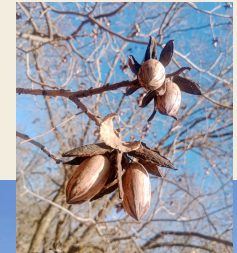


As the orchard matures, the initiative is expected to become a significant contributor toward the organisation's long-term sustainability and self-reliance.



Plans are also progressing for a dedicated pecan processing and packaging facility, which is expected to increase processing capacity.

This development will not only strengthen LITTLE EDEN's enterprise initiatives but also support surrounding agricultural communities and future economic participation.



2. BUILDING FINANCIAL RESILIENCE FOR LIFELONG CARE

Along this Journey of Impact, LITTLE EDEN continues exploring diversified income-generating initiatives, strategic partnerships, infrastructure investment, and operational improvements that strengthen long-term sustainability while remaining deeply rooted in the organisation's mission and values.



Diversified
Income
Initiatives



Strategic
Partnerships



Infrastructure
Investment



Operational
Improvements



Mission-Driven
Stewardship



- Every sustainability initiative ultimately serves one purpose — safeguarding the future of the residents entrusted to our care.
- Through innovation, stewardship, and community support, LITTLE EDEN continues building a future where compassionate lifelong care remains sustainable for generations to come.

**GROWING SUSTAINABILITY,
STRENGTHENING RESILIENCE,
SECURING LIFELONG IMPACT.**



CHARTING PROGRESS

Measuring Human Resources Impact & Growth



OUR JOURNEY



Q1

APR – JUN 2025

FOUNDATIONS & ALIGNMENT

- Salary benchmarking & grading completed and approved
- HWSETA submissions
- Training investment
- Climate survey presented
- Internal mobility – Gugu Mabiza's promoted
- Leadership succession & development planning



Q2

JUL – SEP 2025

GROWTH & TRANSFORMATION

- Strengthened Business Development team
- Leadership development & Management Indaba
- Fire safety training & SOP development



Q3

OCT – DEC 2025

INTEGRATION & STABILISATION

- Rencharm partnership assumes full service (1 Oct 2025)
- Financial management outsourced to Outcor.
- Performance appraisals & staff recognition
- HR training for Management
- Staff recognition



Q4

JAN – MAR 2026

CONSOLIDATION & RENEWAL

- Key appointments strengthen organisational capacity
- Payroll systems to Outcor Financial Services
- Training & funding systems (R50 000) & interventions
- Employment equity & diversity commitment
- Volunteers & Sisters continue enriching resident lives

STORY FROM THE FIELD



A Calling, Not Just a Career

Working at LITTLE EDEN is more than a job – it is a calling that has shaped my heart and purpose. Every day, through care, therapy, and moments of connection, I have the privilege of bringing comfort, dignity, and love to our residents. I am grateful to serve in a place where compassion creates hope and every small act of care changes lives.



OUR PEOPLE AT A GLANCE



40

Employees at Danny Hyams Home (Edenvale) and Elvira Rota Village (Bapsfontein)



2 Residential Homes



300

Residents supported through consistent, individualised care



Rencharm Partnership (appointed 1 Oct 2025) supporting outsourced services & continuity of care



International Volunteers Fidesco & Sisters of the Imitation of Christ (SIC)



HWSETA Training Programmes Skills development & bursaries (R50 000)



CHARTING PROGRESS *continued.*

Our Leadership Team



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|---|---|--|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| Ann Coetzee
Chief Executive Officer | Michael Mamabolo
Business Development Manager | Jo-anne Crous
Operations Manager | Khodani Muthige
Shop Manager | Lisa Neilson
HR & SHE Manager | Imbelani Randima
Senior Bookkeeper | Theresa Fry
Nursing Matron |
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Skills, Service,
Community



Sisters of the Imitation of Christ (STIC)



Fidesco Volunteers



Community Volunteers



Care, Companionship, Spiritual Support.



Organisational Structure



Investing in People



36 Beneficiaries | Bursaries Valued at R50 000
| Lifelong Learning, Lasting Impact.

Operations Manager	Nursing Manager	HR & SHE Manager	Business Development Manager	Shop Manager
Managing daily operations & facility services	Clinical care, health & wellness	Staff recruitment and devlopment	Fundraising, partnerships & enterprise development	Social enterprise income generatioon

Residents *At the heart of everything we do.*

Closing Reflection

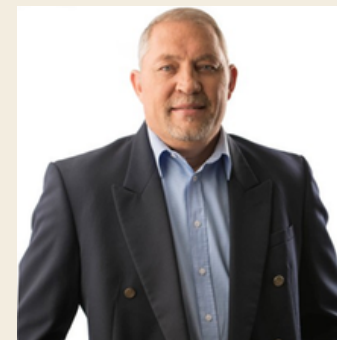
The 2025/2026 year was one of transition, restructuring, and renewal. LITTLE EDEN remained stable, compatable, and mission-focused. We extend gratitude to our leadership, staff partners, volunteers, and Sisters—and above all, to our residents, whose dignity and joy remain the foundation of all we do.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Sustaining the Journey Ahead.

Every step we take today builds a stronger foundation for the future we are called to create together.



Treasurer: Rainer Strausser



KEY HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ Normalised income grew by R 1.55 million (+3.0%) year-on-year, reaching R 53.9 million.
- ✓ Normalised expenditure declined by R 356 thousand (-0.65%), settling at R 54.1 million.
- ✓ The overall year-on-year net position improved by 89.5%.
- ✓ Total recorded income of R 57.9 million reflects lower project-related income compared to the prior year's R 68.7 million.
- ✓ March 2026 monthly result improved significantly: a deficit of R 104,657 versus a prior year deficit of R 461,323 in the same month.

**Normalised – Numbers excluding once off major donations, as well as project related income/expenses*



1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2026 financial year (April 2025 – March 2026) reflects continued progress in the Society's financial management. On a normalised* basis – excluding project-related and once-off anomaly income – the Society recorded a deficit of R 223,366, a marked improvement of R 1.9 million compared to the prior year deficit of R 2.1 million.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	FY2025 (ACTUAL)	FY2026 (ACTUAL)	MOVEMENT
 Normalised Annual Income	R 52 345 289	R 53 898 749	R 1 553 460
 Normalised Annual Expenses	R 54 477 741	R 54 122 115	(R 355 626)
 Normalised Surplus / (Deficit)	(R 2 132 452)	(R 223 366)	R 1 909 086



TREASURER'S REPORT *continued*

New Horizons, Sustaining the Journey Ahead.



2. INCOME ANALYSIS

Year-to-Date Income

Total recorded income was R 57.9 million, compared to R 68.7 million in the prior year. The decrease of R 10.8 million is predominantly attributable to a significant reduction in project-related income (down from R 8.9 million to R 3.1 million) and the non-recurrence of prior-year once-off donations (The Bro Trust and G. Bassetti contributions totaling R 2 million in FY2025).

After normalisation, income increased by R 1.55 million (3.0%), indicating healthy underlying growth in the Society's core funding streams.

INCOME CATEGORY	FY2025 YTD (R)	FY2024 YTD (R)	VARIANCE (R)
Donations / General Income	R 68 723 663	R 57 894 620	(R 10829 042)
Farm Income	R 265 302	R 305 335	R 40 033
Disability Pension Income	A 4 790 448	R 5 070 111	R 279 663
Fee Income	R 1 385 281	R 1 640 994	R 255 714
Appeal Income	R 1 625 268	R 527 918	(R 1 097 351)
Donations in Kind	R 3 210 013	R 2 223 349	(R 965 664)
Shop Income	R 4 295 628	R 4 339 102	R 43 474
DOH Subsidy Income	R 21 044 367	R 21 841 847	R 797 480
Other Income	R 1 298 323	R 1 482 252	R 183 929

TOTAL INCOME	R 68 723 663	R 57 894 620	(R 10 829 042)
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*Normalised - Numbers excluding once off major donations, as well as project related income/expenses



2.1 NOTABLE INCOME ITEMS



DOH Subsidy Income increased by R 797,480 to R 21.84 million, representing the largest single income source and reflecting continued government support for the Society's care programmes.



Disability Pension Income improved by R 279,663 to R 5.07 million following adjustments in resident pension contributions.



Fee Income grew by R 255,714 to R 1.64 million, driven by increases at the ERV facility.



Farm Income (pecan-driven) increased to R 305,335 up R 40,033.,



Appeal Income declined by R 1.1 million compared to the prior year, reflecting reduced campaign activity.



Project Income declined materially year-on-year; this is expected given the project-based nature of these funds and is excluded from the normalised view.



TREASURER'S REPORT *continued*

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3. EXPENDITURE ANALYSIS

Total recorded expenditure for the year amounted to R 57.2 million (FY2025: R 62.8 million). On a normalised basis, expenditure decreased by R 355,626 to R 54.1 million, representing a 0.65% year-on-year reduction despite inflationary pressures.

Expenditure Metric	FY2025	FY2026	Variance
Total Recorded Expenses	R 62 819 573	R 57 196 182	(R 5 623 391)
Less: Project-related Expenses	(R 8,341,832)	(R 3,074,067)	R 5,267,765
Normalised Annual Expenses	R 54 477 741	R 54 122 115	(R 355 626)

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Every number tells a story of care. Every story inspires a future of hope.



3.1 PERSONNEL COSTS

Personnel costs remain the Society's largest expense category. Nursing and care salaries showed increases at both Edenvale (up R 669k YTD) and ERV (up R 291k YTD), reflecting annual salary adjustments and staffing changes. The Society continues to monitor personnel costs as a proportion of total expenditure.

- Nursing & Care Personnel – ERV: R 3.54 million YTD (FY2025: R 3.25 million)
- Nursing & Care Personnel – Edenvale: R 3.05 million YTD (FY2025: R 2.38 million)
- Shop / Depot Salaries: R 643,763 YTD (FY2025: R 699,568) – a favourable movement
- These amounts include lump sum payments made to staff who have left the company during the 2026 fiscal year (either retirement, or mutual separation) R769 044.84





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4. BALANCE SHEET

The balance sheet as at 31 March 2026 reflects a stable financial position. Total assets of R 19.95 million are broadly in line with the prior month balance of R 20.02 million.

BALANCE SHEET ITEM	PRIOR YEAR-END	PRIOR MONTH	31 MARCH 2026
TOTAL ASSETS	R 14 996 148	R 20 021 161	R 19 996 738
Equity	R 13 297 342	R 14 100 438	R 13 995 781
Non-Current Liabilities	R 1 253 676	R 5 762 103	R 5 802 395
Current Liabilities	R 445 129	R 158 621	R 151 562
TOTAL EQUITY & LIABILITIES	R 14 996 148	R 20 021 161	R 19 949 738

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4.1 ACCUMULATED SURPLUS

Equity at 31 March 2026 stands at R 13.99 million, a decrease of R 104,657 from the prior month, consistent with the monthly operating result. The current year net profit (accumulated) reflects the YTD surplus of R 698,438.



4.2 NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

Non-current liabilities increased materially to R 5.80 million (prior-year end: R 1.25 million), largely due to income received in advance for major project co-funding (R 4.39 million) as well as accumulated Gauteng Provincial Government stipend payables. These amounts represent donor-restricted funds and are expected to be utilised in the coming year.



4.3 CURRENT LIABILITIES

Current liabilities of R 151,562 (prior year: R 445,129) reflect a significant reduction, primarily due to the settlement of sundry creditors. Trade creditors of R 151,562 remain within normal operational parameters.





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5. CASH & LIQUIDITY

The Society maintains a strong liquidity position across multiple FNB banking facilities:

BANKING FACILITY	PRIOR YEAR-END	31 MARCH 2026
FNB Call Account (#6146)	R 7 687 303	R 5 216 164
FNB CII 32-Day Account (#7620)	R 5 679 977	R 12 309 948
FNB Current Account (#5468)	R 118 513	R 324 298
FNB External Funder - Anon (Call)	R 527 651	R 0
TOTAL LIQUID FUNDS (APPROX.)	R 13 894 931	R 17 526 112

Liquid funds are broadly maintained. The growth in the FNB CII 32-Day account (from R 5.68 million to R 12.31 million) reflects improved cash management and short-term investment of reserve funds. PayFast and petty cash positions remain immaterial at a combined R 4,766.



6. VAT & COMPLIANCE

The SARS VAT control account reflects a recoverable balance of R 663,506 at 31 March 2026 (prior month: R 521,302), representing input VAT claimable on operational expenditure. This is consistent with the Society's VAT registration status and claim cycle.

PAYE obligations reflected in the balance sheet amount to R 236,957, with normal monthly processing maintained. Pension/provident fund and medical aid control accounts are substantially cleared.

Report by:

OUTCOR Financial
Management (PTY)
LTD and Treasurer:
Rainer Strausser



7. KEY RISKS & MATTERS TO NOTE

Normalised deficit: The Society continues to operate at a small normalised deficit (R 223k). While significantly improved from FY2025, management and the Board should focus on closing this gap through income growth and cost discipline in FY2027.



8. OUTLOOK – FY2027

The Society enters the 2027 financial year with an improved financial trajectory. The normalised deficit has narrowed substantially and operating cost discipline is evident. The key priorities for the treasurer's attention in the coming year are:

- Closing the normalised deficit through targeted income growth (particularly donations, fee income and government subsidy negotiations).
- Maintaining cost discipline, particularly in personnel and operational categories given inflationary pressures.
- Monitoring the utilisation of project co-funding held in advance.
- Ensuring timely collection of outstanding government debtors.

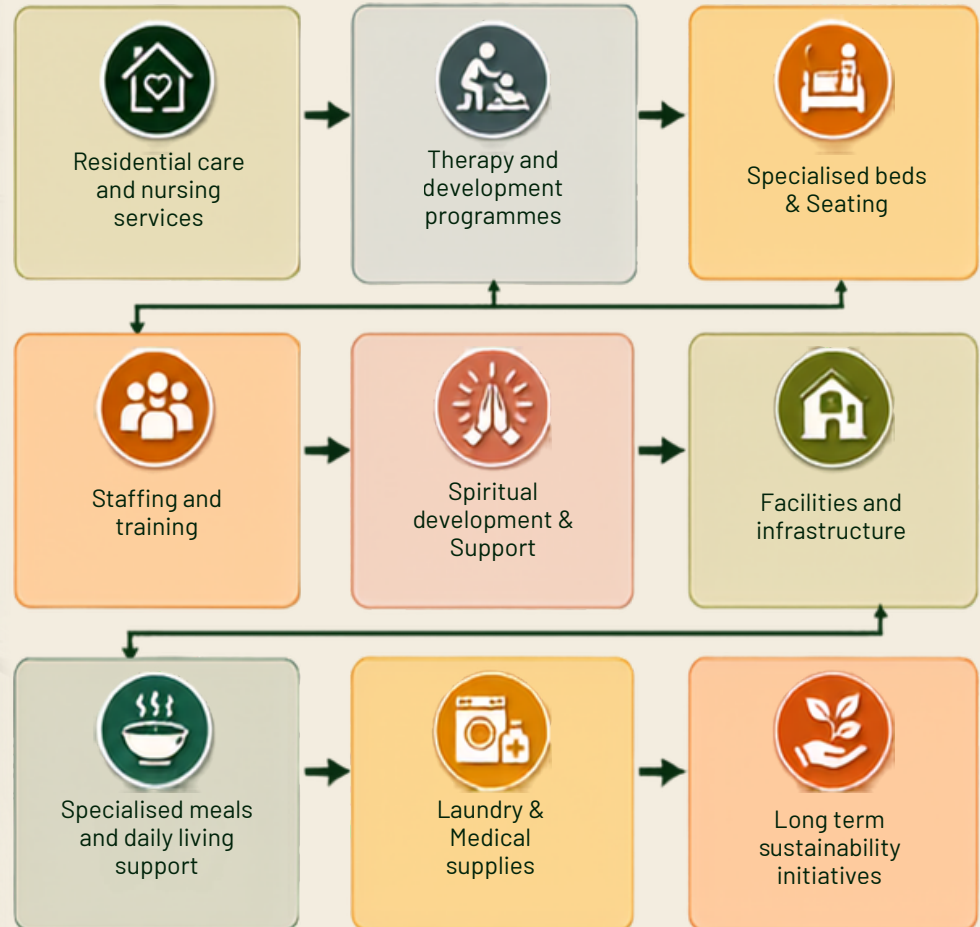




NEW HORIZONS *continued*

How the donations are used at LITTLE EDEN

Every step we take today builds a stronger Foundation for the future we are called to create together.



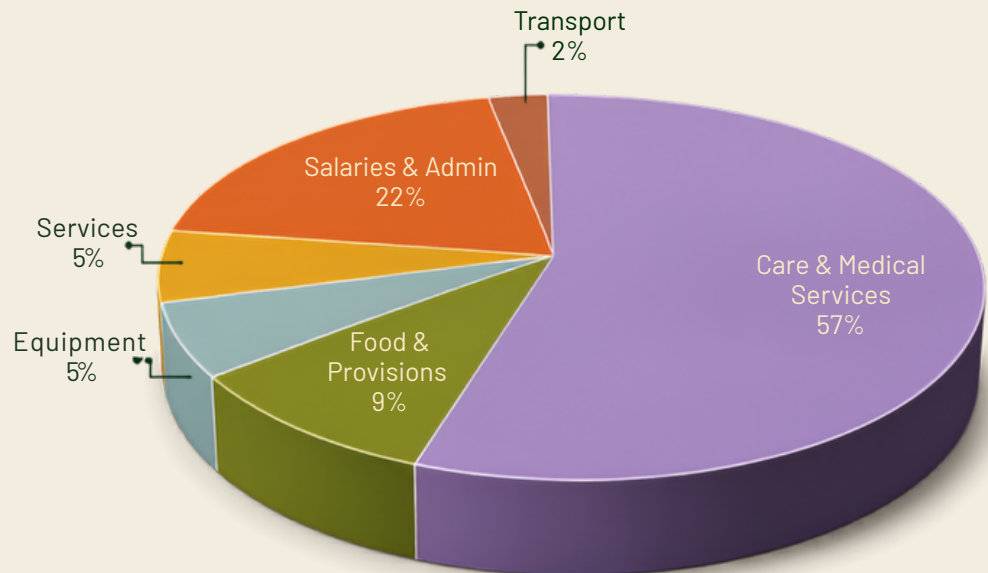


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GREATER FINANCIAL VIEW



EXPENDITURE BREAKDOWN



Care & Medical Services



Food & Provisions



Equipment



Services

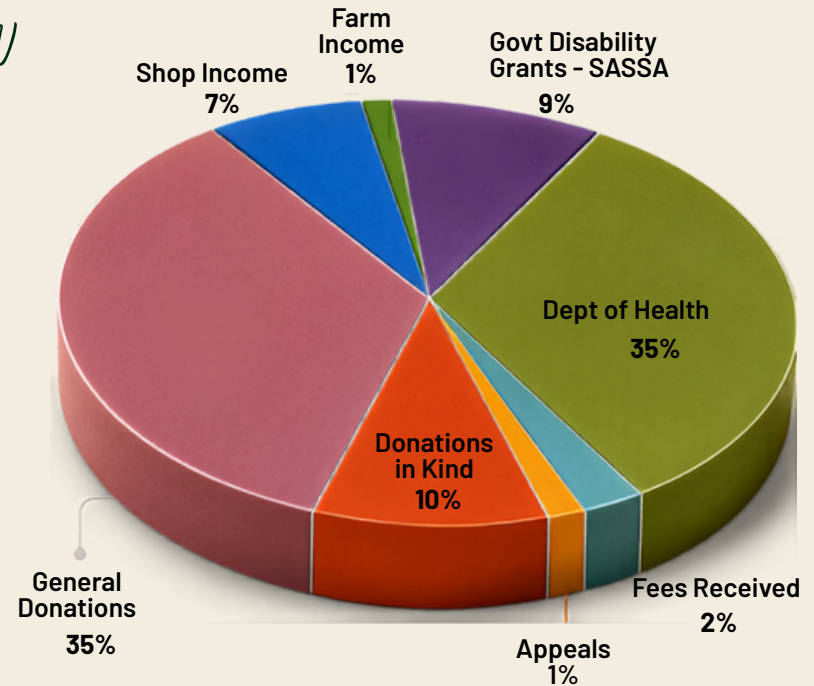


Salaries & Admin



Transport

INCOME BREAKDOWN



Govt Disability Grants - SASSA 9%



Dept of Health 35%



Fees Received 2%



Appeals 1%



Donations in Kind 10%



General Donations 35%



Shop Income 7%



Farm Income 1%



GOVERNANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY

Governance & Impact Overview (2025-2026)

Strong governance. Transparent stewardship.
Lasting impact for generations.

OUR COMMON OBJECTIVE

To provide lifelong, dignified care and support that enables persons with profound intellectual and physical disabilities to live meaningful, fulfilling lives within a safe, loving community.

WHERE FUNDING IS REINVESTED

 Residential care & daily living support Safe, nurturing homes and personalised care	 Nursing & Therapy services Professional care that enhances health & wellbeing	 Staffing, training & development Investing in our people to deliver excellence	 Infrastructure maintenance & facility operations Safe, well-maintained environments for quality care	 Medical nutritional support Meeting the health and nutritional needs of residents	 Long-term sustainability initiatives Building a future of care, stability and hope
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Registered & Compliant

Registered NPO (NPO No. 002-573)	NPO Non Profit Organisation
PBO Status (930 001630)	PBO Public Benefit Organisation
SARS Tax Exemption (Section 18A)	
BBEE Level 1 Contributor	
Compliant & Good Standing With all statutory obligations	

LITTLE EDEN is not owned by any individual or group.
It is governed by an independent Board of Governors who serve as custodians of its mission, ensuring ethical oversight, sustainability, and alignment to its founding purpose.
Day-to-day operations are managed by the executive team, with all assets and funds applied exclusively for resident care and service delivery.

Governance Mechanisms

- Board governance and structured oversight
- Financial controls and annual audits
- Risk and compliance management
- Adherence to ethical standards and transparency commitments
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Compliance Frameworks

- NPO and public benefit requirements
- Labour laws and employment standards
- Health and safety standards
- Data protection and privacy frameworks
- Department of Health & mental health act

Audited Financial Statements



Audited financial statements available on request.



ACKNOWLEDGING

Our Donors and Partners

The journey of LITTLE EDEN Society is not travelled alone. Every mission is reached, every resident supported, every means of dignity restored, and every life embraced with compassion is made possible through the generosity of individuals, corporations, trusts, churches, partners, and community members who choose to walk this journey with us.



CORPORATE AND ORGANISATIONAL DONORS



The Silent footprints of generosity

Some choose to be inconspicuous, yet their impact doesn't disappear throughout our journey.

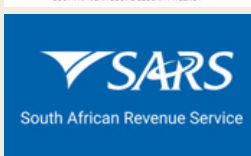
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Journey of Impact in Action

To every donor, partner, volunteer, and supporter – thank you for believing in our mission, for investing in dignity, and for helping us continue this meaningful Journey of Impact.

THANK YOU TO OUR INDIVIDUAL DONORS

- Mr & Mrs David and Michelle Raw
- Mr & Mrs FJP Nel
- Mr & Mrs Loris & Franca; Viola Rota Martir
- Mr Colin Bryant
- Mr Corne Pierneef
- Mr Dave Hardy
- Mr Marco Bassetti and Family
- Mr Mike de Blanche
- Ms Tess Moore
- Mr Rainer Straussner
- Mr Savvas Xenophontos
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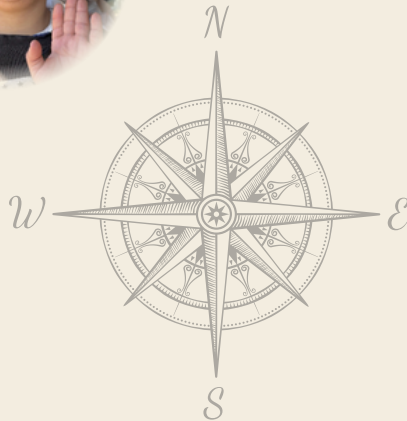




THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

With You By Our Side

Every step. Every act of kindness. Every life transformed



CONTACT DETAILS

As LITTLE EDEN Society continues its Journey of Impact, we invite individuals, families, corporations, schools, churches, and community partners to walk this journey with us, helping shape a future rooted in dignity, inclusion, and lifelong care for persons living with profound intellectual disabilities.

- 011 699 7246
- info@littleeden.org.za
- LITTLE EDEN Society
- 2 Homes, 300+ Residents.

Looking Ahead

As we look toward the future, LITTLE EDEN Society remains committed to expanding impact, strengthening partnerships, and continuing to nurture the abilities and unique journeys of every resident entrusted to our care.

MAKE A DONATION

Donations can be made securely online via the LITTLE EDEN website or through direct EFT contributions.



Scan to make a secure donation

For donation assistance or banking details:

Bank: First National Bank
Account Number: 5468 9928 009
Account Name: LITTLE EDEN Society
Branch: Karaglen
Swift Code: FIRZAJU
Branch code: 2524-442
Internet code: 250-455

JOIN OUR JOURNEY — BECOME A MONTHLY GIVER

Our Monthly Giving Programme provides consistent, sustainable support that helps us plan ahead and care for our residents every day, all year round.

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

- Make a financial contribution
- Volunteer your time and skills
- Support fundraising campaigns and events
- Donate goods-in-kind
- Partner with us as a corporate or community organisation



Scan to become a Monthly Giver today



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We believe in open and transparent stewardship of every resource entrusted to us.

Scan the QR code to access our verification documents including:

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- ✓ PBO Certificate
- ✓ SARS Tax Exemption
- ✓ Annual Financial Statements
- ✓ Auditor's Report Trust Deals & Governance Documents



Scan to view our verification documents

Thank You

To every donor, volunteer, partner, and supporter — you are the heart behind our mission.

Together, we are building a future where abilities blossom, lives are valued, and dignity is a way of life.

Your journey with us makes all the difference.



Society for the Care of Persons with Mental Handicap

Nurturing Abilities, Embracing Every Unique Journey

