

iLAUNCH UPDATE

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Updates from 2019

Our students have so many challenges, both in their lives personally and also in the surrounding society, that make them need to step up and push hard for their future more than ever. So we are proud of each of these young adults as they attempt to forge a way forward for themselves in South Africa. This year, **Sthembiso** finished his fourth and final year of theory classes on his way to a degree in medicine. Now he starts his residency, which will be 2 more years. **Smanga** finished his first year of chemical engineering with an overall solid finish. **Nathi** added to his schedule a full time internship at a hotel that gave him crucial work experience. **Siyethemba** started working and living on her own, which has been such a joyful experience. **Mzizi** has been working at an internship in Johannesburg, learning so much as well.





Celebrating Hard Work

Thando graduated from high school in 2018 with a huge passion to be a chef. She enrolled in a small cooking school that partnered with International Hotel School and blasted through a one year certificate in Culinary Arts. In the program, she worked extremely hard and won top of her class, winning a tuition bursary to continue studying for another two years at IHS. She has shown us truly how serious she is and has proven she has what it takes to make it big in her industry. We are so happy to continue our support.

Zack just officially completed his diploma in Civil Engineering as he finished his one year internship at a company in Durban. Not only did they love his work, but he was the top intern, earning himself a permanent position, which he is so thankful for. He is now starting to live his dream of working in this industry.



New Faces

Sne from Ikhethelo Children's Home, just finished high school at the end of 2019 and is now about to start her bachelors degree in Liberal Arts at University of KZN here in Durban. She has a particular interest in Law, but also enjoys many other subjects, so she will see how the year unfolds in terms of deciding on a more specific direction.



Sphiwe, from Ikhethelo, has always had a passion for art, drawing, and design. Now he is about to start a bachelors degree in graphic and visual design at Durban University of Technology. And **Nkosingiphile**, from Lily of the Valley, is starting an Art and Design diploma at Thekwini College. Both are living together and are sharing what they have learned and encouraging each other.



Quietly Getting the Job Done

There are a few of our students we have been supporting for a couple of years now, who are quietly getting the job done. They are extremely independent and don't wait for anyone to help them.

Lungile who is in her 3rd year studying Law at UKZN, gets very high marks each semester, and does all of her own bursary paperwork.

Nelly finished all of her theory classes for her diploma and hustled to get a placement for her internship, and is now working on her drivers license. **Sphindile** is doing a business learnership and the bosses have been so impressed by her leadership.

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