



FUNDA NENJA

Annual Report 2026



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Chariman's Report:

Funda Nenja has continued to grow at an amazing pace and has yet again had another successful year. Battersea UK continues to be our major sponsor and continue with their incredible support, both financially and administratively.

We are blessed to have the best staff that a Non Profit Organisation could wish for and without them we could not continue to grow as one of the best animal welfare projects in the country and provide the services that we do.

Our on the ground team now consists of Nomonde Dlungwane, Zinhle Msimango, Vuyo Lakani, Goodluck Mvelase and Mfundo Ngubane. Our admin team of Lisa Button and Sandra Inggs, continue to run the organisation together with Glynn Harborth who manages our finances and Adrienne Oliver who still runs our social media platforms from Australia.

We are indebted to our vet team, which consists of Dr Daniela Steckler (Hughes), who runs our Friday afternoon veterinary clinics, Dr Lee Pachonick together with her support team of Di Santoro and Debbie cook, who run our monthly sterilisation programme. Without their time and expertise, we would not be able to assist the community with veterinary care and achieve the number of sterilisations that we do.

We are also thankful for the several regular volunteers who give so selflessly of their time on Friday afternoons at our pop-up shop. Your time and commitment are invaluable and very much appreciated.

We are extremely thankful to our many sponsors and supporters. The donations that we continue to receive enable us to continue the work that we do.

I would like to congratulate the whole Funda Nenja team on a job well done and we are confident that they will continue to help the organisation grow and reach new heights in the new year.

Neil Button
Chairman



Dog School Manager's Report

Overview

The Funda Nenja Dog School has always been, and still is, our portal into the Mpophomeni community. In the absence of accessible animal welfare services, community members, primarily children, are encouraged to bring their puppies or dogs to the Friday afternoon clinic for vaccinations, deworming and basic medical care, and join the weekly dog training classes. Through active participation in the classes the children learn how to uphold the Five Domains of Animal Welfare (previously the Five Freedoms) in practical ways while having fun, developing mutually beneficial relationships with their dogs, and simultaneously learning several life skills. The dog school provides a safe environment for the children during school term and holidays, with access to our social welfare services and support which includes food programs and life skills education



The Dog Training Programme:

During the period 1 March 2025 – 28 February 2026 we are proud to have achieved the following:

- 526 children & dogs participated in the Dog School, of which 119 were new children and dogs that joined the Puppy Classes and Adult 1 class.
- Training was held on 28 Fridays, with 8 different class levels accommodating from newcomers to the top-class level.
- The highest new intake was in March 2025 with 20 new children and dogs registering. The average the monthly intake was 11 during the reporting period.
- In March 2025 we had the highest average attendance of 73%. The lowest month of participation was June and November with 48% average attendance each month. Numbers differ from month to month, impacted by various factors such as weather, school holidays and public holidays.
- To drive regular attendance, an incentive/reward was introduced in the 4th term recognising attendance of 85% or more during a term. 21 handlers & dogs received an attendance certificate and small gift on the 28th of November 2025.
- 16 girls attended in various classes throughout the reporting period.
- Our Annual Winter Warmth distribution took place mid-June where dogs were given dog jackets, and the children each received a new blanket.
- The instructors played a critical role in running various fun events for the children to participate in as we celebrated Nelson Mandela Day on 18th July 2025. The fun day was enjoyed by everybody.
- World Rabies day on 28th September, was celebrated by Funda Nenja on Friday 26th September with a “rabies dance” and children were given sweets as a small token of appreciation for showing up in the cold and rain.
- World Animal Day was celebrated on Friday 3rd October. Again, due to very cold and rainy conditions, attendance was very low, but the children were rewarded for attendance.
- The annual Year End Hampers and Christmas goodies were handed out to all children & dogs on 28th November 2026
- We are very appreciative of the donations of fruit and fruit juice each week from the Merrivale Superspar and the Hilton Quarry Superspar, which is gratefully received by the children, community assistants and volunteers.

Volunteers and Community Assistants

- The Funda Nenja staff are supported every Friday by 21 Community Assistants, 9 of whom are appointed as dog school instructors. 5 new intern instructors were identified and are undergoing training with senior instructors in preparation of being allocated their own class. The community assistants receive a small stipend for their time worked on a Friday afternoon.
- Our 8 faithful volunteers are invaluable in supporting the Community Assistants with numerous tasks on a Friday afternoon, including monitoring the various queues, helping with the sale of items and dog food at the pop-up shop, preparing treat bags for the participants, supporting the veterinary team at the clinic, and stock control of donated goods received. Our volunteers show up every week with a smile and are a key component of our team.
- 15 Community Assistants, staff and volunteers received their Prophylactic rabies booster vaccinations on 7 November 2025, and 2 new interns received their initial rabies vaccination.
- Staff, community assistants and volunteers were recognised at the year-end lunch held on 12th December 2026 and received certificates of appreciation and vouchers



Education and Skills Development:

- Vuyo Lakani has flourished in his role as Assistant Dog School Manager, setting up the grounds for classes each week, stepping in as an instructor in the absence of a team member, and in communicating with and supporting the instructors.
- Goodluck Mvelase, our Top-Class instructor who has been part of Funda Nenja for more than 15 years, completed his school studies at the end of 2025. He has been selected as an intern, working with the Animal Welfare Education Officer and Dog School Assistant Manager from January 2026.
- The Dog School Manager, Assistant Manager and 2 instructors attended the KUSA Agility Championship Show held at The Karkloof Country Club on Sunday 15th June 2025. The instructors were selected in recognition for their many years of commitment and dedication, giving them the opportunity to experience the level of skills and training of agility at a National Level. The competitors were competing for selection into the South African Team to compete at the World Agility Show later in 2025.

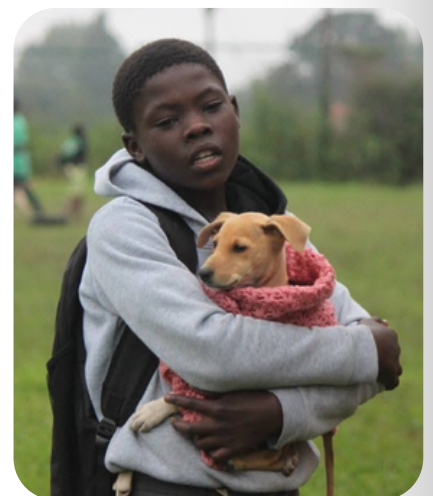
- An instructor's workshop was held on 4th July 2025, facilitated by Sandy and attended by Vuyo, 5 instructors and 2 potential intern instructors. The focus was on their role in Funda Nenja, their passion and history with the organisation and what they would like to see in the future.
- The staff built valuable relationships and learned new communication skills at our Team Building event held on 9th October 2026.
- We actively drive staff development and education and take full advantage of free online workshops and self-paced e-learning courses made available to us by the Battersea Academy, ICAM, GARC and other training providers. A total of 71 training sessions were attended by our 8 staff members in the reporting period.



Conclusion

We are grateful for the ongoing support of our funders, donors and supporters who enable us to continue to serve the Mpophomeni Community through our Funda Nenja Dog School. Our focus for 2026/27 is on increasing our footprint in the community, specifically by recruiting new children and dogs, and retaining the children who have joined the dog school.

We live out our values of kindness, respect and compassion through the dog training school, recognising and rewarding everybody for their attendance, participation and success. The Funda Nenja Dog School provides a safe space for the children during school term and holidays and provides opportunities to develop their life skills through interactive learning, building compassion for humane animal welfare and simultaneously having fun.



Sandra Inggs
Dog School Manager

Mentorship Programme:

Overview:

The Funda Nenja Mentorship program launched in April 2025. The purpose of the mentorship program is to have a structured way to guide and support other non-profit organizations and/or individuals who want to implement a similar program in their own communities. Over the past few years, we received weekly requests from all over South Africa and sometimes beyond, asking for Funda Nenja to be available in their communities, and for assistance on how they can initiate their own program. Having a structured mentorship program has enabled us to give consistent information and support based on our 16 years of experience in Mpophomeni.



Mentorship Guides:

12 Mentorship Guides have been created and intentionally focus what the mentees can consider introducing in their organisations and how they would implement the various aspects. These guides cover a wide range of information such as how to set up an NPO, governance requirements, creating policies and procedures, marketing and branding and similar topics. There is also an in-depth guide on how to create a One Welfare Organisation – showing mentees how to include Social Welfare services in their Animal Welfare organisations. A specific guide on how to set up a similar Dog Training School is in development.

The Mentorship Guides are a support tool for the mentees once we have initiated discussions and meetings.

Mentorship Process:

Online or WhatsApp meetings are conducted to explore the unique circumstances of the communities in which the mentees work. These discussions help us gain a deeper understanding of their support systems, community relationships, available resources, and the urgent needs they have identified.

Through these engagements, we share guidance drawn from our own experiences in overcoming similar challenges, including lessons learned through years of trial and error, as well as creative ideas, potential solutions, and practical ways forward.

Mentees are offered the opportunity to visit Funda Nenja for a site visit, to experience our full range of services including the dog school, home visits, weekly clinics and social welfare aspects. No site visits took place up to the end of February 2026.

2025/2026 Statistics:

A total of 66 expressions of interest were received up to 28 February 2026. Outcomes of the expressions of interest are as follows:

Mentorship Guides Only	2	Applicants only wanted access to the guides.
Referred or Withdrawn	25	Applicants were referred elsewhere due to the mentorship program not being appropriate, or applicants withdrew due to various reasons of not being able to proceed.
Await decision	14	Still in the process of deciding if they will proceed with a full mentorship program.
On hold	18	Currently not able to proceed with a full mentorship program but still desire to proceed at some time in the future.
Full Program	7	Registered and paid for the mentorship program. Meetings held, and progress made.
	66	

Geographical Spread:

Of the 41 active interested parties there is a wide geographical spread across the country. 10 in the Eastern Cape, 10 in KZN, 7 in Gauteng, 3 in Mpumalanga, and 8 in the Eastern Cape.

The highest number of active mentees is in the Port Alfred/Port Elizabeth area, and they are working in collaboration with existing animal welfare and social welfare organisations to build their One Welfare focus and lay foundations of active animal welfare education programmes.

Conclusion:

Battersea are giving their full support to our Mentorship Program and have encouraged us to continue expanding this important area of work. They are committed to connecting with both current and prospective mentees and, where possible, fostering mutually beneficial partnerships.

We have set objectives to host online workshops and to visit the Eastern Cape during 2026 for a collaborative workshop involving as many mentees as possible. One of the most encouraging outcomes from the past year has been the growing focus among individuals and organisations on incorporating active animal welfare education programmes into their outreach initiatives. This reflects a positive shift in mindset away from the traditional rescue-and-rehome approach, towards recognising that education and practical support are key drivers of lasting and meaningful change within communities.

Sandra Inggs
Mentorship Programme Coordinator

Project Administrator's Report

We are delighted to share that Funda Nenja has enjoyed another successful year. While challenges and obstacles have arisen, our team has persevered, turning these experiences into opportunities to refine our organisation and strengthen our operations.

The support from our community has been truly inspiring. It is heartening to see our staff welcomed and appreciated during outreach activities, with gratitude expressed for the impact we make in both animal welfare and social development. This encouragement fuels our commitment and reinforces the value of the work we do

*Funda Nenja uses a ONE WELFARE
approach as we address the
welfare needs of both the animals
and the people.*



Administration & Funding

In order to comply with relevant authorities and donors Funda Nenja policies and procedures are reviewed annually. Although the organisation is still relatively small in comparison with most NPO's, we take the guidance of the King III report on governance seriously and are attempting to implement relevant policies in decision making and in financial management. Donor funds are utilised according to the terms and conditions set out in contracts. Staff and volunteer suitability is reviewed and parent indemnity is secured.

We are very grateful for the support received from both local and international donors. Without their support, Funda Nenja would not be able to continue the work that we do. For this, we are extremely grateful. We are very excited to have entered into a new relationship with Battersea, in the UK, who are currently our major donors. They have also confirmed that they are happy to continue working with us, going forward, and we look forward to working together with them in the new year, and seeing Funda Nenja reach new goals and expectations.

We have also continued to receive support from other organisations as well as individual donors, for which we are extremely grateful.



ANIMAL WELFARE

Education is key to change.



✓ Dog School

✓ Veterinary Clinics

✓ Pop-up Shop

✓ Outreach

✓ Workshops



Teaching love, compassion & empathy.

Animal Welfare:

Our various animal welfare education programmes have proven to be very beneficial in the Mpophomeni community. Our Animal Welfare Education Officer and Inspector, Nomonde Dlungwane, together with our Junior Animal Welfare Officer, Vuyo Lakani, continue to conduct home visits for all the Funda Nenja participants, where they monitor and educate families on how to take care of their dogs, as well as educating them in areas of concern. Nomonde also co-ordinates our many other programmes and oversees the daily tasks and running of our Mpophomeni office.

Report by Nomonde Dlungwane - Animal Welfare Education Officer:

2025 has been a year of resilience and progress for our organization. Despite ongoing challenges we have remained unwavering in our mission to uplift the lives of animals and their owners through compassionate care, hands-on support and education. Our guiding belief continues to be that animal welfare education is not only essential for the wellbeing of dogs but also for building a more empathetic and responsible society

Home Visits & Animal Welfare Education:

Home visits remain the foundation of our outreach. They provide meaningful opportunities to create lasting change by addressing immediate needs while equipping owners with sustainable solutions. Strengthening the human-animal bond is at the heart of this work. Each visit was not only about improving conditions but also about building trust, sharing knowledge and fostering long-term change for both owner and animal. These visits allowed us to:

- Replace chains with humane alternatives
- Provide shelter to protect dogs from harsh conditions
- Ensure daily access to clean water and nutritious food
- Encourage sterilization as a preventative health measure
- Work with the SPCA to ensure sick/injured animals receive care and to facilitate safe surrender of animals when necessary
- Educate owners on responsible pet owners
- Support safe environments for dogs



Monthly Intake :

On the first Friday of each month we welcomed new and returning children into the programme. In 2025 we had an average of 125 new children who joined the programme. Each intake includes recording their information for follow-up home visits, vaccinating their dogs and distributing educational materials. Children are grouped into three classes to receive age-appropriate and comprehensive animal welfare education.

Home Visits Impact:

Our aim is to teach the community about the importance of basic animal welfare and to reduce animal suffering through early intervention and education. In 2025, we conducted a total of 752 home visits reaching new participants, long-term members and households across the broader community.

During these visits we provided essential services such as:

- Rabies vaccinations
- Deworming treatments
- Tick and flea treatments
- Minor wound care
- Education based on the internationally recognized Five Domains of Animal Welfare

These interventions not only improved the immediate wellbeing of animals but also empowered owners with knowledge to sustain long-term change.

Kennel Donations:

We are grateful to have continued our successful kennel donation initiative. In 2025 6 dogs received kennels significantly improving their living conditions. This was made possible through the generosity of donors who contributed new or pre-loved kennels or sponsored families in need.



Fencing Programme:

Many families in our community are unable to afford proper fencing and often resort to chaining their dogs for safety. In response we continued our fencing programme, identifying families in need and constructing secure enclosures. In 2025, 5 fencing jobs were completed allowing dogs to live unchained, improving both their physical health and mental wellbeing



Community Outreach:

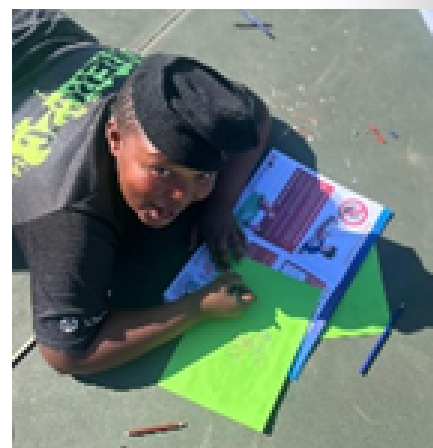
Our outreach efforts have extended beyond Mpophomeni into neighboring communities where access to veterinary care and welfare support is extremely limited. We reached 5 new communities, holding regular rabies vaccination clinics and continuing to educate and assist families in those areas. By expanding into new communities we are ensuring that more families and animals benefit from early intervention and education.

Educational Workshops and Safety Lessons:

Throughout 2025 we conducted educational theory classes for new intakes and hosted holiday workshops designed to teach children the values of responsible dog ownership. These sessions covered a wide range of topics including:

- The Five Domains of Animal Welfare
- Dog safety and understanding body language
- Importance of vaccinations (Rabies and 5-in-1)
- Sterilization and its role in reducing overpopulation
- Responsible pit bull ownership
- General pet care responsibilities
- Parents workshops on basic animal welfare

These workshops not only equipped children with practical knowledge but also fostered empathy, responsibility and respect for animals within their families and communities



School-Based Education:

We were privileged to extend outreach into schools by conducting lessons at Sifisesihle Primary School, Nxamalala Islamic School, Ntsele Primary School and Khazimula Children's home. Through these sessions we spread the message of compassion and care to even more young minds. Looking ahead we are excited to expand our educational outreach to additional schools in the coming year to ensure that the values of animal welfare continue to grow across communities.



We are deeply grateful to all our supporters, donors and community partners. Your contributions whether financial, material or through your time enable us to continue this important work. With your ongoing support we will keep making meaningful changes in the lives of animals and the communities that care for them. Together we are creating a compassionate future one home, one dog and one child at a time.



Nomonde Dlungwane
Animal Welfare Education Officer
& Inspector



EVENTS

&

SERVICES

*Another fun and
successful year*



Veterinary Services:

We are extremely fortunate and grateful to have Dr Daniela Steckler (Hughes) on our team. Dr Dannie is our very dedicated volunteer Veterinarian. She has continued to run our Friday afternoon veterinary clinics. She treats any minor medical issues as well as doing rabies vaccinations, tick & flea control, de-worming, 5-in-1 vaccinations etc, for any dogs from the community as well as the Funda Nenja dogs. For any major medical issues, the dogs are treated by the uMngeni SPCA.



Dr Lee Pachonick, our Veterinarian in charge of our sterilisation programme, has continued to run our monthly clinics. Thanks to funding received from Battersea, we have been able to continue with this very important and necessary project. Dr Lee, and her wonderful team of volunteers, Di Santoro and Debbie Cook, run these steri clinics like a well-oiled machine. Their professionalism and caring nature ensures that the dogs are all well taken care of and discharged once they have recovered sufficiently. Each dog is driven home at the end of the day, with a bag of dog food, by our driver. While the dog owners are waiting for their dogs to be sterilised, the Funda Nenja teams hands out juice and sandwiches, as well as some animal welfare activity books for the children.

Veterinary stats:

Vaccinated against rabies : 1544

De-wormed / tick & flea : 535

5-in-1 vaccinations : 187

Sterilised : 188 dogs & 9 Cats

Dogs referred to SPCA : 65

TOTAL ANIMALS HELPED : 2519



Team Building Event:

In October last year, we hosted a team-building event for our staff. It was both enjoyable and rewarding, strengthening our sense of unity while enhancing skills in clear and effective communication. The team took part in paired activities that relied on strong communication, highlighting the importance of being clear and effective when working together. This experience brought the team closer together, while also highlighting the unique strengths each member contributes and the areas where we can continue to improve.



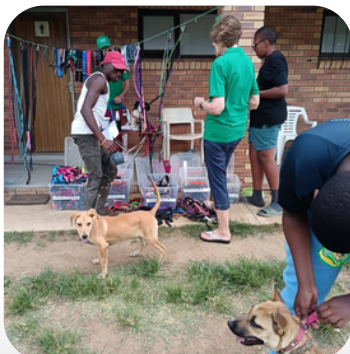
Fun Day:

In July 2025, during the school holidays, we held another successful fun day for all the local children. The children took part in various games and competitions and were given cake and a light snack at lunch time. Much fun was had by all.



Pop-up Shop

Our weekly pop-up shop is becoming more and more popular. We are seeing more members of the community coming to purchase items such as dog food, collars, leashes, blankets, toys, shampoo, dog houses etc, for their dogs. This shows that dog owners are taking responsibility for their dog's welfare, by providing these basic necessities.



New Vehicle:

Battersea's support enabled us to acquire a second vehicle last year, greatly enhancing our ability to collect donations and manage operations. We are truly delighted with our new vehicle, which has helped to streamline our work and makes daily operations far easier.



New Winter Jackets:

At the start of last winter, we provided our staff team with new winter jackets. The outreach staff have shared how much these jackets have helped them stay warm and comfortable during their outreach work on cold, wintry days.



New Data Base

We are thrilled to announce the creation of a new database for Funda Nenja, developed by Ross Summerell. This project has taken over a year to complete due to the vast amount of information that needed to be captured and recorded and to develop this data base specifically for our needs. Now in its final stages, the database is already proving invaluable—making it far easier for our staff to manage and input information efficiently. We are extremely grateful to Ross, for the many hours he has spent on the creation of this Data Base, which has been a complete game-changer.



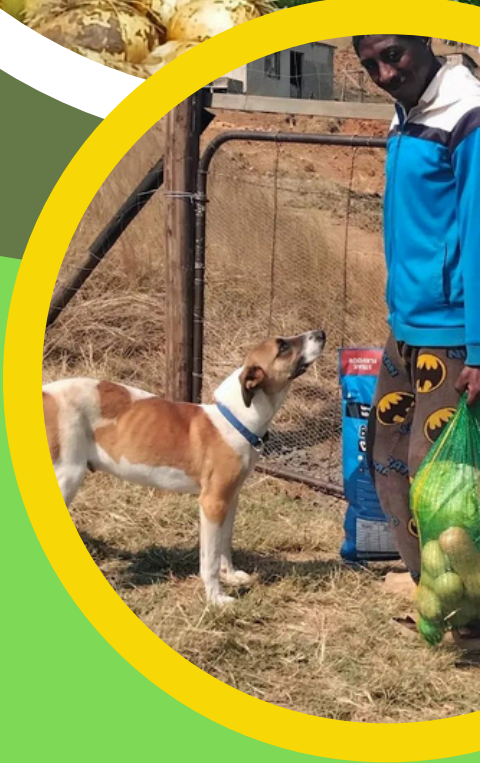


Social Welfare

Counselling

Food Support

Workshops



Social Welfare:

Our Aux. Social Worker, Zinhle Msimango, has continued to work with the community in several ways. She has a very challenging job dealing with a variety of physical, psychological and emotional issues, nevertheless, she has made a huge difference to the wellbeing of the those community members that she has engaged with.

Report by Zinhle Msimango - Social Worker:

Social Services offered:

- Home Visits
- Counselling
- Friday dog school lessons
- School Lessons
- Workshops & Holiday Clubs
- Support groups
- Food parcels

Home Visits:

There have been 447 home visits done which included 81 new clients of Funda Nenja Dog school participants, extended families and drug recovery members. During these visits, we conducted assessments, completed consent forms, and provided a basic introduction to the Funda Nenja Social Welfare Desk. We conducted individual and family counselling sessions and made referrals to different departments and local facilities. There were 56 counselling sessions done during home visits.



Office Visits:

There were 76 group and individual counselling sessions that were conducted at the office during this period with some referrals to other organisations.

School lessons:

We facilitated ten life skills lessons at the school, co-teaching alongside the Life Skills teacher to ensure CAPS alignment. Most sessions were conducted with the Grade 6 class of 24 learners, covering topics such as body development and self-image, teenage pregnancy, children's rights and protection, bullying, and substance abuse. In addition, we attended a parents' meeting at the school to strengthen relationships with families and foster ongoing collaboration.



Workshops & Holiday Clubs:

The Funda Nenja Social Welfare Desk hosted six educational holiday clubs, engaging approximately 49 children each day. These sessions focused on key issues affecting young people, with discussions on constitutional children's rights, body development, empathy and emotional awareness, bullying, and substance abuse prevention.



Woman's Support Groups:

The women's support group continues to meet monthly and collaborates closely with the Phephisa Survivors Initiative, where members are encouraged to speak out and share life experiences together. We provide parenting strategies and education to strengthen day-to-day caregiving. In addition, the group has received training from the Midlands Community Centre on early childhood development and further skills development through food processing courses offered by the Department of Agriculture.



Drug Recovery Programme:

The programme meets weekly on Tuesdays with 8 to 15 members, and has already seen remarkable progress—four participants are now completely free from substance use. Each session includes group discussions, one-on-one counseling, and home visits, alongside the provision of sandwiches, beverages, and fruit when available. Members are encouraged to reduce drug use, reflect on their lives, and seek reconciliation with those they have wronged, with support to reconnect with families and strengthen community ties. We are extremely grateful to Ray Gumbo who runs this programme for us. Ray's compassion and commitment to this programme is very evident and appreciated.



Beyond recovery, participants receive practical assistance such as help with CV creation, re-applications for ID documents, case expungement processes, and fingerprint clearances. The programme also addresses fatherhood, guiding men—many of whom are fathers or absent fathers—toward more engaged parenting. Workshops led by Mr. Ray Gumbo and Heartline facilities have introduced Fathers Matter strategies, underscoring the vital role of fathers in their children's lives.

Challenges Encountered

1. The recovery process remains slow for some participants, who continue to struggle significantly with substance dependence.
2. Limited skills training and employment opportunities hinder members who are ready to move forward, making reintegration into society more difficult.

Men's Support Group:

The soccer team that trains at the stadium each morning has become an important group engaged in learning about fatherhood, exploring why fathers matter and the vital role they play in their children's lives.



Food Parcels:

Funda Nenja distributed 364 food parcels—both for animals and people—to vulnerable families during home visits. This support has been especially valuable for individuals on chronic medication, ensuring they have access to the nutrition needed to sustain their health.



Feeding Scheme

The feeding scheme provides meals for between 40 and 67 children twice a week, and extends to daily support during school holidays. Three committed volunteers prepare and serve the food, ensuring each child is well cared for. The programme has been further strengthened by the Friends for Life project manager, who dedicated her time to establishing a well-organized process for meal days. We are deeply grateful to these devoted individuals whose efforts keep the children nourished, happy, and eager to return.



Distribution of Seedlings and Successful Harvesting

There were thousands of vegetable seedlings distributed to the Funda Nenja participants, community gardens and centres. This has been a great achievement to many people to own greener gardens with most inviting us to see their gardens and even giving their harvesting. Some have sold from their gardens in low prices. We know this has played a great role in food supplement and to nutritious meals. Thank you to Sunshine Seedlings for the donation of the vegetable seedlings.



Support From Community members

Committed members helping with Feeding Scheme and were given a token of appreciation.



Ward Councillors and other stakeholders supporting our initiative and celebrating our success.



Zinhle Msimango
Aux. Social Worker

In Conclusion

All in all Funda Nenja has managed to continue servicing the Mphohmeni community in both animal and social welfare aspects, and we are extremely proud of what we have accomplished and blessed to have an amazing team of like-minded and dedicated people.

We are also enormously grateful to all our sponsors and donors as their support makes it possible for Funda Nenja to grow and to continue the valuable work that we do.

Our Facebook page is still very popular with just over 13 000 followers and 1,650 followers on Instagram. These numbers are increasing annually.



Lisa Button
Project Administrator

FUNDA NENJA

(Registration number: NPO reference 085-038)
Trading as The Township Dog Training Initiative
Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 28 February 2026

Chairperson's report and approval of the Annual Financial Statements

1. Nature of activities

Funda Nenja was founded in 2009 and registered as a non-profit organisation in 2010. It serves the township of Mpophomeni, 10km from the town of Howick, uMngeni Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. The association is governed by an elected Management Committee in accordance with its constitution and the Non-Profit Organisation Act (71 of 1997).

2. Aim and vision

The aim of Funda Nenja, Township Dog Training Initiative is to improve the quality of life of both township children and their dogs. We cannot improve the life of these dogs without addressing the needs of the children as well, hence the hand in hand approach.

Our vision is to develop the values of kindness, respect and compassion nurtured through the practical element of the program which develops an affectionate bond between children and dogs. By changing children's attitudes and emotional response towards their dogs we are investing in the future and not just applying a "band aid" approach to animal welfare. These children will become agents of change and role models of responsible, caring dog owners in their communities.

In order to cultivate this culture, Funda Nenja has also recognised the need to provide services for the well-being of the children in the community.

3. Funding and volunteers

Funda Nenja relies entirely on donations for its financial needs, the organisation offers opportunities for local community members to work as volunteers at dog-training classes, special events and fund-raising initiatives.

4. Statement of responsibility

The committee is responsible for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and the preparation and integrity of the financial statements and related information. The committee is also responsible for the association's system of internal financial controls which is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance as to the reliability of the financial statements and to adequately safeguard, verify and maintain accountability of assets and to prevent and detect misstatement and loss.

Nothing has come to the attention of the committee to indicate that any material breakdown in the functioning of these controls, procedures and systems has occurred during the year under review.

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5. Composition of management committee

The members in office at the date of this report are as follows:

Neil Button - Chairman
Glynn Harborth - Treasurer
Lisa Button - Project administrator & Marketing
Sandra Inggs - Dog school manager & Secretary
Nomonde Dlungwane - Animal welfare education officer
Zinhle Msimango - Social worker
Adrienne Olivier - Board member
Dr Daniela Hughes - Veterinarian & Board member
Melissa Yank - Board member

6. Going concern

The annual financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, since the management committee has every reason to believe the association will continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

The annual financial statements set out on page 6 - 13, which have been prepared on the going concern basis, were approved by the management committee and were signed on their behalf by:

Approval of annual financial statements

Neil Button

Neil Button
Chairperson

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Practitioner's Compilation Report

To the Management of FUNDA NENJA

I have compiled the annual financial statements of FUNDA NENJA, as set out on pages 6 - 12, based on information you have provided. These annual financial statements comprise the statement of financial position of FUNDA NENJA as at 28 February 2026, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

I have applied my expertise in accounting and financial reporting to assist you in the preparation and presentation of these annual financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1. I have complied with relevant ethical requirements, including principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care.

These annual financial statements and the accuracy and completeness of the information used to compile them are your responsibility.

Since a compilation engagement is not an assurance engagement, I am not required to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information you provided to me to compile these annual financial statements. Accordingly, I do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion on whether these annual financial statements are prepared in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the annual financial statements.

My compilation report is solely for your use in your capacity as management of FUNDA NENJA and should not be distributed to other parties.

Kevin Mitchell Chartered Accountants

Kevin Mitchell Chartered Accountants Inc
Anita van Graan CA(SA)
Director
IRBA number: 503086

15/05/2026

Date

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Statement of Financial Position as at 28 February 2026

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2026	2025
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	1,423,687	1,397,250
Total Assets		1,423,687	1,397,250
Equity and Liabilities			
Equity			
Earmarked funds	3	199,611	257,416
General reserves		1,183,263	1,118,332
		1,382,874	1,375,748
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables		40,813	21,502
Total Equity and Liabilities		1,423,687	1,397,250

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Statement of Comprehensive Income

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2026	2025
Income			
Interest received		94,201	97,370
Sundry income		91,674	74,114
		<u>185,875</u>	<u>171,484</u>
Donations received			
Donor funding		1,786,206	2,238,232
Corporate funding		174,300	147,600
Individual donors		325,216	278,123
Fundraising campaigns		86,732	67,299
		<u>2,372,454</u>	<u>2,731,254</u>
Operating expenses			
Animal welfare (Refer to page 13)		(1,480,771)	(1,389,255)
Advertising expenses		(150)	(207)
Bank charges		(23,807)	(12,070)
Building and equipment - maintenance expense		(4,453)	(3,761)
Building fund		-	(150,000)
Data base project		(71,200)	-
Equipment purchased - Lap top computers		(40,000)	(13,850)
Equipment purchased - generator / UPS		(1,200)	(3,500)
Equipment purchased - microscopes		-	(19,113)
Finance office and accounting fees		(146,174)	(126,831)
General office administration		(1,561)	(2,259)
Insurance		(30,511)	(28,142)
IT and telecommunications		(25,512)	(9,385)
Media film		(12,500)	-
Motor vehicle repairs		(6,246)	(43,365)
Printing and stationery		(33,300)	(10,789)
Relocation		-	(28,400)
Rent and electricity		(46,204)	(41,169)
SARS - Fines and penalties		(3,040)	-
Seminars and conferences		-	(180)
Staff medical and vaccines		-	(5,228)
Staff meetings		(2,527)	(3,104)
Travel, vehicles and transport expense		(56,414)	(42,340)
Vehicle replacement		(201,852)	(216,274)
		<u>(2,187,422)</u>	<u>(2,149,222)</u>
Operating surplus		370,907	753,516
Community outreach / family support (Refer to page 13)		(305,976)	(279,532)
Surplus for the year		<u>64,931</u>	<u>473,984</u>

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Statement of Cash Flows

Figures in Rand	Note(s)	2026	2025
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash receipts from donors		2,464,128	2,902,738
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		(2,474,087)	(2,535,618)
Cash (used in) generated from operations	4	(9,959)	367,120
Interest income		94,201	97,370
Net cash from operating activities		84,242	464,490
Cash flows from financing activities			
Increase or (decrease) in Earmarked funds		(57,805)	172,216
Total cash movement for the year		26,437	636,706
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		1,397,250	760,544
Total cash at end of the year	2	1,423,687	1,397,250

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CORE DONORS :

Battersea
N3 Toll Concessions
The Do More Foundation
RCL Foods
Gabrielle Faickney Charitable Trust
Hilton Quarry SuperSpar
Merrivale SuperSpar
Anonymous Trust
My School My Village
Sunshine Seedlings

Thank you to all who donate on a regular or once off basis. Without your support, Funda Nenja would not be able to continue the work that we do.

Thank you for all the anonymous financial donations, and donations received from special calls via Facebook for kennels, winter warmth, food parcels, collars and leads, dog food, etc, and all those who leave donated items at collection points.

*Thank
you!*

Funda Nenja Executive Committee:

Neil Button - Chairman
Glynn Harborth - Vice Chairman /Treasurer
Sandy Inggs - Secretary
Adrienne Olivier - Board member
Lisa Button - Board member

Funda Nenja Full Board:

Neil Button
Glynn Harborth
Adrienne Olivier
Lisa Button
Nomonde Dlungwane
Dr Daniela Hughes
Zinhle Msimango
Sandra Inggs
Melissa Yank

Funda Nenja Staff members:

Lisa Button - Project Administrator
Sandra Inggs - Dog School Manager / Mentorship Co-ordinator
Nomonde Dlungwane - Animal Welfare Officer / Inspector
Zinhle Msimango - Social Worker
Mfundo Ngubane - Driver
Vuyo Lakani - Junior Animal Welfare Education Officer

Volunteers:

Sherrell Botha
Di Botha
Trudy Morgan
Simon Naude
Mayesh & Thesh Chetty

Community Assistants:

Winnie Sangcosi
Thandeka Zondi
Goodluck Mvelase
Teenage Nene
Izwi Nxumalo
Sisanda Zimu
Ntokozo Khumalo
Yandiswa Mnguni
Lindelani Ntshangase
Jabulani Hlophe
Sphelele Ngubane
Vincent Mnwabe
Nana Nxumalo
Thenjiwe Nzimande
Paul Zondi
Sbonelo Ngubane
Nompumelelo Mabaso
Aphiwe Zondi
Fezokuhle Sithole
Doreen Zondi

We would like to say a huge thank you to all our community assistants and also our regular volunteers who assist on Friday afternoons.

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Swift: FIRNZAJJ

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