

# CAPE TOWN PROJECTS

APRIL - JUNE 2019

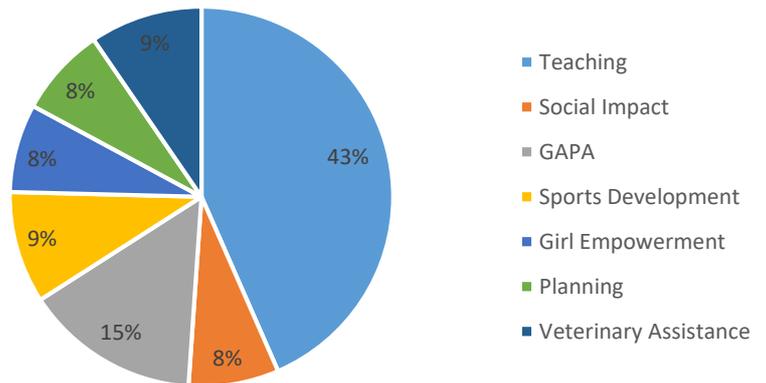


African Impact

57 VOLUNTEERS  
17 NATIONALITIES  
1944 HOURS VOLUNTEERED



## HOURS SPENT VOLUNTEERING ON EACH ACTIVITY



### AVG TEMP:



AVG: 20 °C

### LANGUAGE LESSON:

“AMAVA”

“Experience” in Xhosa

### WHAT'S NEW ON THE GROUND?

1. This quarter we welcomed two different groups: KPN, an organization from the Netherlands and Grand Valley State University students from the U.S.
2. We now have a new ping pong table and hope to engage future volunteers in some ping-pong competitions soon!

## SOCIAL IMPACT EXPERIENCE

- A high school group from Episcopal Academy spent a full week at Red Hill and Children of Hope pre-schools. Volunteers enjoyed time playing with the parachute during structured play and creating fun and engaging arts and crafts sessions with the pre-schoolers.
- Red Hill community members were busy preparing our volunteers' weekly homestay visits. Volunteers and families made strong bonds during their stay as they learnt about the culture, food and a language of their host family. We love South Africa's Rainbow Nation and hospitality!



# EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- School Readiness Assessments at one of our partner preschools showed that 50% of the children at Grade R (5-years old) now identify at least 12 letters in English and about 72% of children could identify at least 5 basic colors and at least 5 numbers in the 1-10 range!
- Our Foundation raised enough money to renovate the roof of the nursery, or toddler room, at one of the preschools in which we work after Cape Town suffered from severe rainstorms. The kids are now safe, and we celebrated this huge success together with the Principal, the teachers and the kids.
- South Africa celebrates Mother's Day on May 12<sup>th</sup>, and our volunteers decided to make a day of it at Grandmothers Against Poverty and AIDS (GAPA), our afterschool community partner. We provided arts and crafts for the children to create a DIY flower with hidden messages in the leaves and provided a helping hand with cutting and sticking.



## GIRL EMPOWERMENT UPDATE

- Our partner IKASI Soccer School, who aim to empower girls through football, welcomed their first African Impact intern who helped create them a new website!
- We welcomed a new partner, Girl Pride Africa. This initiative aims for young single mothers to regain their pride by assisting them in completing school/studies and finding a job, so that motherhood does not become a hurdle in achieving their dreams.
- We held a Skills Workshop at one of our community libraries, where adults were assisted in C.V. completion and advised on job readiness.

"It is so wonderful to see the connection African Impact has with the communities in which they work. They work with heart and soul on every project. Volunteering has changed my perspective on many things. I will never forget the smile on the children's faces when they solved a math problem by themselves or were able to spell something without assistance."

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Until next time... **THE CAPE TOWN TEAM**

