The Etafeni Day Care Centre Trust is a registered NPO in Nyanga, Cape Town. It was established in 2001 to provide a replicable model of sustainable community-based care for AIDS-vulnerable children, youth and their caregivers.

The Etafeni model of a community-built, community-staffed centre provides individual personal care for children, young people and adults. The Etafeni Centre has a campus of seven buildings, extensive vegetable gardens and green playgrounds. Our intention is to provide a welcoming and respectful space in which our clients can find healing.

Over the last decade The Etafeni Trust has become an umbrella organisation with an impact significantly wider than HIV/AIDS: social cohesion, gender violence, nutrition, and the building of self esteem and confidence in young people. The model has been replicated at Vrygrond in the Western Cape and at Nwamitwa in Limpopo Province.

Our programmes impact all ages across the community and include:

- a quality preschool unit for approximately 60 children
- an enriching afterschool-care programme for 80 scholars
- a nutrition programme for mothers and young children
- breast-feeding counselling and support for new mothers
- the establishment of 48 household food gardens
- our Fit for Life Fit for Work youth training programme offers a range of life- and work-readiness skills nine times a year to unemployed school-leavers (60% of the participants are girls). We have an 80% placement success rate.
- an accessible mobile clinic which provides rapid testing for HIV, TB and other chronic illnesses, as well as referrals and counselling
- a social-work department that provides counselling for abused children and their families, as well as court preparation and support with a range of family problems
- an income-generation programme for HIV+ women where they make handcrafts for sale
- a lay-counsellor and community careworker programme provides pre- and post-test adherence counselling, reaching thousands of people.

From small beginnings, we now reach 15000 people each month.
Making a difference

We welcome partners. Over the past 12 years, Etafeni has been making a life-changing contribution. We can provide 12 years of clean audited financial and annual reports as evidence of our track record.

We invite you to join us in making a difference in South Africa today.

How can you help?

We welcome visitors and volunteers to Etafeni.

Financial contributions can be made to:
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