



CLIMATE TICKET

Aachen-Cape Town 2022



Since we began realigning the Climate Ticket at the end of 2019, a variety of new contacts have developed with organizations, schools and individual gardens. The country is still suffering from the effects of the lockdown and the aftermath of the pandemic. The second season without European tourists has further contributed to this. Tens of thousands can no longer earn money as street vendors, employed in cafés and restaurants, or selling handicrafts. Government action is meager. Thus, the nutritional situation is often improved by privately imitated soup kitchens.

Nutrition is of essential importance in South Africa. It is all the more significant that hundreds of soup kitchens and community gardens have sprung up, as well as new mutual aid organizations, networks and new partnerships. Climate Ticket has therefore focused its promotional activities on vegetable gardens, but is also looking for new ways. In December 2021, Birgit Jakobs and Norbert Kuntz made numerous project visits.

Our gardens 2022

- * GAPA - Grandmothers Against Poverty And Aids, Khayelitsha
- * Moya Wekhaya, Khayelitsha
- * Ubuhle Bendalo, Khayelitsha
- * GUFU - Gugulethu Farming Initiative, Gugulethu
- * Primrose Park Primary School, Manenberg
- * FACT - Food Agency Cape Town, Mfuleni
- * Lerotholi Agri Hub, Langa
- * Streetscapes, Kuilsriver
- * Soneike Highschool, Kuilsriver
- * AMAVA OLUNTU & Muizenberg Community Garden, Muizenberg
- * Ingcungcu Sunbird Restoration
- * Feed the Future, Elsies River



New established garden (GAPA)



The compost just arrived (GAPA)

Grandmothers Against Poverty And Aids (GAPA)

The organization was founded in connection with the AIDS catastrophe in South Africa. Countless children were orphaned at the time and had to be raised by their grandparents. GAPA's Community Centre is located on a church property. There is a community house with a meeting room and kitchen, where about 150 meals per day are still provided for children. To maintain this community kitchen, a vegetable garden was planted in 2020. Last year we promoted a shady roofing for the vegetable beds there and a water tank. Further planting of fruit trees is planned for 2022.

<http://www.gapa.org.za/>

Moya We Khaya Co-Operative

The garden has been working as a cooperative for 7 years. 14 people - mostly women - intensively cultivate an area of 1 ha. Most of the women have no schooling, which makes it difficult to access the market through social media and develop productivity. The increasingly difficult economic situation leads to the growth of crime. An incalculable amount of shanty dwellings has appeared in the area during the Corona Pandemic. Young people are unemployed. At the end of the year, a container was broken into and all gardening equipment was stolen. We promote the new purchase.

<https://de-de.facebook.com/moyawekhaya/>



Gardeners of the Moya we Khaya Cooperative



Arrival of the new garden tools

Ubuhle Bendalo

The garden is managed by Sophumla Ntoyabo. The garden is about 400m² and is intensively cultivated. Essentially, sales are organized "over the garden fence". Basil is grown specifically for a local business. We have sponsored the purchase of compost and seedlings.



Ubuhle Bendalo Food Garden



Gardener Sophumla Ntoyabo

Gugulethu Urban Farming Initiative (GUFI), Gugulethu

The CAN (Community Action Network) initiatives were formed at the beginning of the Covid pandemic. Richer neighborhoods form partnerships with poorer neighborhoods. For example, the Seapoint district (Seabord CAN) supports Gugulethu with the Gugulethu urban Farming Initiative. GUFI.

"We are making Gugulethu green, house by house, street by street, area by area. It's Gufi's intention and vision to turn Gugulethu into a food area." In 2021, numerous home gardens were started. Many of them serve as supplies for the local soup kitchens. Vuyani Quamata and the whole team have been cultivating the garden at Lehnolokolo Primary School for several years. From there, they supply gardens with seedlings, educate and help plant the gardens. Their program, "Greening Gugulethu," has set a goal of planting at least 20 gardens by mid-2022.

During our visit, we were already able to visit some established gardens in the neighborhood. The initiative is successfully continuing the program in 2022 and we want to actively support this.

<https://seaboardcan.org/gugulethu-urban-farming-initiative>



„Greening Gugulethu Team“ with Busi Selema and Vuyani Qamata (2nd und 3rd left)



Base of GUFI: Garden at Lehnolokolo Primary School



Home garden managed by GUFI in Gugulethu



Schoolgarden at Primrose Park Primary School in Manenberg

Primrose Park Primary School

The contact with this elementary school is a result of this year's visit. In the newly created "Peace garden" learners spend their time when they are disruptive in class. The vegetable garden has also been planted. It is used for educational work as well as to supply the school kitchen. To be able to plant year-round, the school needs a water tank. More bushes have to be planted against the wind. We support both.

FACT – Food Agency Cape Town, Mfuleni

This organization is also an association of various gardens due to the Corona epidemic. Mostly they are smaller home gardens. They also mainly supply the local soup kitchens. We are sponsoring a water tank.

<https://www.facebook.com/foodagencycapetown/>



Hazel Nayaba in her garden



Garden which supports the Uphakanini Soup Kitchen

Lerotholi Agri Hub, Langa

In Langa, the Lerotholi Agri Hub has been under construction for some time. There is already the Lerotholi Food Garden there. The SA Urban Food Garden Trust has leased a 2-hectare plot of land in the center of Langa. This is a pilot project for Langa where the surrounding small farmers can use the Agri Hub to improve the marketing of their products.

The entrance building on Lerotholi Avenue has already been renovated and will be used as an exhibition space for local artists. Another goal of the project is to make the center of Langa more attractive. We therefore promote the greening of the street front.

<https://fairfood.org.za/langa-agri-food-hub/>



Lerotholi Food Garden with microfarmer from Langa

Streetscapes

Streetscapes is an organization initiated by Khulisa Social Solutions. It works with homeless people in Cape Town and helps them reintegrate into society. The organization runs hostels for the homeless people who work at Streetscapes, partly at the city cleaning service that has been taken over for the city of Cape Town, but also at the three food gardens within the city area. In Kuilsriver, a City Farm was established some time ago. In order to generate more income, a free-range chicken facility is to be built there. We have sponsored the planting. The project is to be completed this year.

<Http://khulisa.org.za/streetscapes/>



Streetscapes Food Garden in Kuils River

Soneike High School, Kulisriver

For some time now, Soneike High School has been trying to establish a school partnership with a high school in Aachen. Last year, Soneike High School developed an impressive initiative to introduce horticulture education as a school subject. In the process, numerous areas were planted as vegetable plots. The cultivation is the task of the students. A teacher specially assigned to this task is responsible for providing guidance. A special concern of principal Ms. Ronel Baker is to encourage students to start an agricultural apprenticeship after graduation. Although they have been housed in a temporary school building for years, this has not hampered the school's initiative.

We support the installation of an irrigation system.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/high-school/soneike-high-school-727626270691255/>



Huge areas for the cultivation of vegetables (ie Fennel) under shade netting



Watertanks which were sponsored by Climate Ticket in 2021



Modern growing methods at Soneike High School: Hydroponic-System "African Grower"



Muizenberg Community Garden is used as an extra-mural classroom

Muizenberg Community Garden & AMAVA OLUNTU, Muizenberg

The Muizenberg Community Garden is an initiative of Muizenberg CAN. It serves as a social meeting place and at the same time it is a vegetable supplier for the Muizenberg Community Kitchen.

The Muizenberg Community Kitchen is operated by AMAVA OLUNTU. It provides nutritious and affordable meals to the community. The kitchen is intended to be a place of learning, sharing and growth. They partner with the Muizenberg Community Garden and local ingredient suppliers to support our local economy. We are sponsoring a shade canopy and the purchase of gardening equipment.

<https://www.muizenbergcan.org/garden>

<https://amava.org/projects/muizenberg-community-kitchen/>

Ingcungcu Sunbird Restoration

"Ingcungcu Sunbird Restoration's work is based on three pillars, science, education, and restoration [of natural foundations]. These three pillars provide the structure for the organization's integrated approach to restoring migration routes for nectar-feeding birds. We believe that building strong, collaborative, long-term partnerships is the foundation for ensuring sustainability and success."

The organization aims to reintroduce fynbos vegetation, which is endemic and typical of Cape Town, in the form of corridors. The project is supported by three organizations in Cape Town. These corridors are created in a kind of stepping stone system. Each stepping stone is formed by a smaller or larger garden, each no more than 1.5km apart. For the creation of the gardens, private people, organizations and schools will be recruited, who are willing to create and maintain such a garden under expert guidance. To raise awareness, educational projects are regularly conducted at the Muizenberg Community Garden.

We support the construction of a greenhouse for the cultivation of endemic plants.

<https://ingcungcu.org/>

<https://www.fynboscorridors.org/corridors/>



Fynbos-Garden completed



A new garden will be established at Crestway High School

Feed the Future

Geronimo De Klerk and his brother Valentino planted a community garden in front of the social housing units at Trinity Place in Elsies River in late 2020. Their garden grows in the shade of a newly built, three-meter-high wall. The wall was erected by the City of Cape Town earlier that year. Before the wall was erected, gangsters used this area as a drug transshipment point. The De Klerk brothers say youth unemployment in the area is extremely high and has worsened during the lockdown. With the help of young volunteers in Elsies River, the brothers transformed the former dumping ground into a vegetable garden. As their success became apparent, the Ministry of Agriculture also supported the project, sponsoring them a 10,000-liter water tank, among other things. In 2021, the horticultural association founded by the brothers received funding from the ministry to maintain a garden at Edward Primary School. The money was used primarily to install a proper irrigation system for the school garden, which feeds the school kitchen.

We support an irrigation system for the community garden, seedlings and compost.



10.000 l tank, which needs a pump, connections and pipes