



THOKOMALA

# ANNUAL REPORT

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"Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you."

(James 1:27)

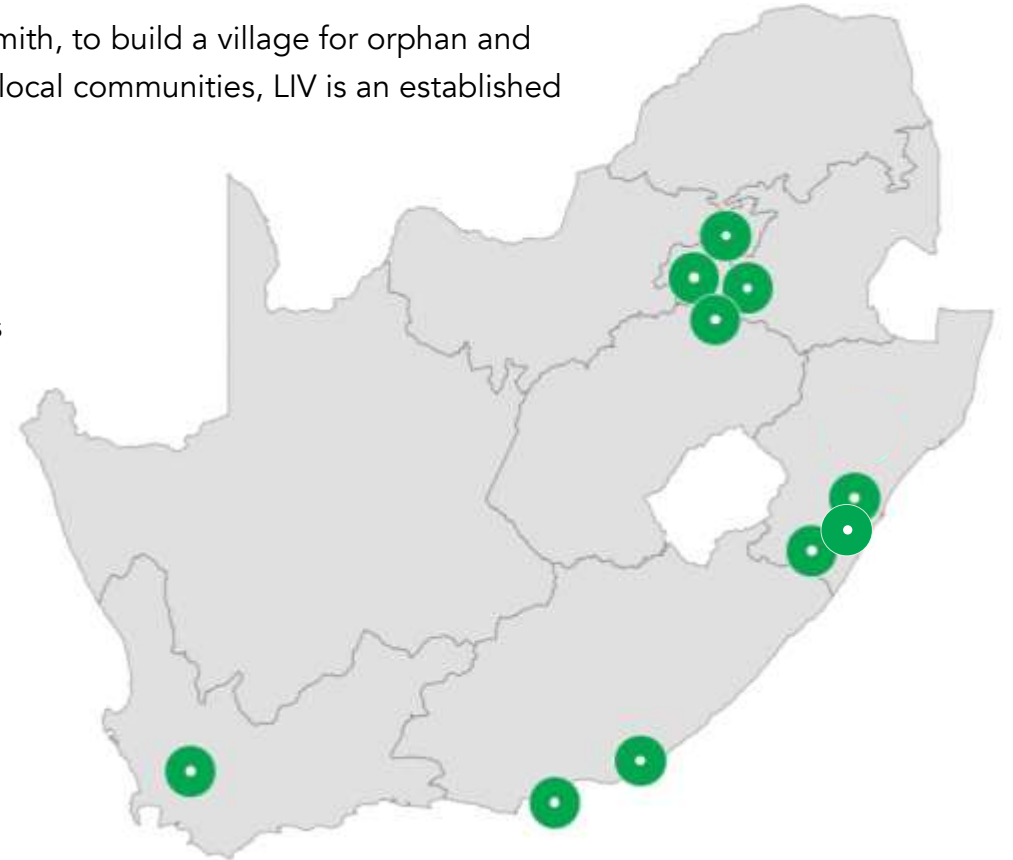
# BACKGROUND

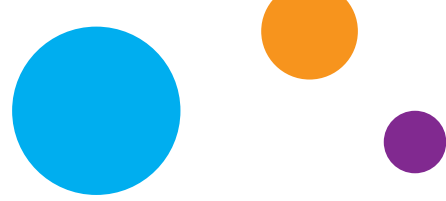
The story of LIV started in 1997 when a vision was birthed in the heart of Tich Smith, to build a village for orphan and vulnerable children. After much groundwork done and building relationships in local communities, LIV is an established organisation looking after the most vulnerable of our society – orphan children.

Thokomala was started by Unilever SA in 2002 when the first community-based foster home opened its doors to welcome six children. Thokomala, which means “warmth” or “care” in isiZulu, aims to provide holistic childcare solutions to positively impact the lives of vulnerable children and give them a hope of a brighter future.

Unilever approached LIV at the end of 2016 with the option of entering into a partnership to better care for these children. As a result, **LIV Thokomala was birthed in 2018** when LIV officially took over the ownership and management of the various Thokomala homes across the country.

LIV Thokomala now cares for 57 children in 11 community-based homes in four provinces, and continues to endeavour to give each child every opportunity to reach their full potential, just like each LIV child at the Durban village.





# FOUNDERS' REPORT

It is with gratitude that we reflect on yet another year of serving the orphaned and vulnerable children of our nation, particularly during such uncertain and tumultuous times. The Covid pandemic has continued to pose many challenges to our families and the July civil unrest in Gauteng and KZN added to our woes. However, we have witnessed how adversity has a way of drawing us closer – to God and to one another. The greater LIV family and its partners rallied donations from far and wide and were able to deliver multiple food parcels to our homes. We were reminded that our Heavenly Father is always present and never forsakes us.

We are also delighted to see the various LIV villages, LIV entities and independent partners taking hands to advance the vision. Our newest venture is LIV Shared Services (LSS), an entity with the purpose of centralising several common functions – such as Marketing & Media, Finance, HR and Legal – across our LIV communities. LIV Thokomala's primary take-on need was Marketing, and this service has proven to be exceptionally valuable. We look forward to the next take-on being Finance, which commences in January 2022.

We now also have several partners across the country that are serving our LIV Thokomala foster homes in various ways. Examples include Divine Destiny Ministries International Church that have partnered with the Isipingo homes and Gunter & Carryn Titus that support our Paarl family. The Titus couple previously served in a pastoral capacity at LIV Durban and have much to offer in terms of spiritual support and life skills development for the children.

The LIV Thokomala Durban families have further benefitted from programs run at the LIV Durban village, including weekly music lessons and attendance of the annual Youth Day celebration. A highlight for the foster and relief mothers was the three-day mothers' training held in March. Unilever's Food Solutions team donated a wide spread of food a baked goods. Our mothers were thoroughly treated and took a great deal of information away with them.

Finally, we would like to mention our incredible Christmas celebration. Every child and mom received a beautiful gift from a Unilever employee through our new online Christmas portal which allowed each child to leave a personally written message, and each donor to send a personal Christmas wish. We are so excited to continue with this new tradition, building on from last year, giving our precious families another special holiday.

# FINANCIALS

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

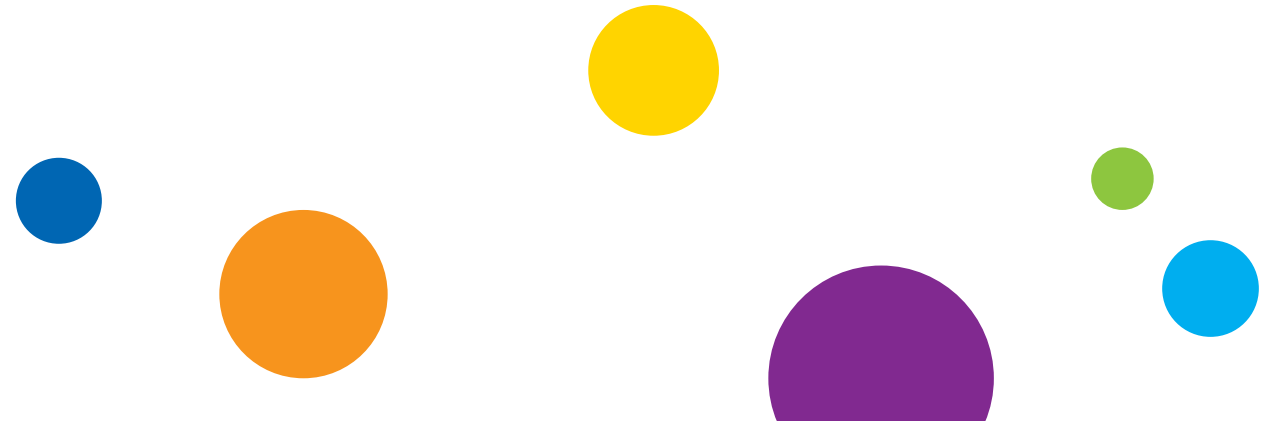
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	as at 31 December 2021	as at 31 December 2020
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Non-current Assets</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	<u>3 214 876</u>	<u>3 419 946</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Other receivables	-	635
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>4 036 431</u>	<u>4 043 310</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>7 251 307</u>	<u>7 463 891</u>
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Equity</b>		
Accumulated funds	<u>7 218 307</u>	<u>7 427 770</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Other payables	<u>33 000</u>	<u>36 121</u>
<b>Total Equity and Liabilities</b>	<u>7 251 307</u>	<u>7 463 891</u>

## STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Figures in Rand

	For the year ended 31 December 2021	For the year ended 31 December 2020
<b>Revenue</b>	3 988 401	3 960 481
Other income	-	12 165
Operating expenses	<u>(4 364 624)</u>	<u>(3 816 642)</u>
<b>Operating surplus</b>	<b>(376 223)</b>	<b>156 004</b>
Interest income	<u>166 760</u>	<u>208 832</u>
<b>Surplus before income tax</b>	<b>(209 463)</b>	<b>364 836</b>
Income tax expense	-	-
<b>Net surplus for the year</b>	<b>(209 463)</b>	<b>364 836</b>
Other comprehensive income	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>(209 463)</b>	<b>364 836</b>



# Story of Hope

A decorative graphic on a green background featuring the title 'Story of Hope'. The word 'Story of' is in a white, bold, sans-serif font, while 'Hope' is in a large, white, cursive script font. Below the text, there are several colorful circles in shades of green, yellow, red, blue, orange, and purple of various sizes scattered across the bottom half of the page.

Thomas\* is a young, talented 17-year-old boy living in the LIV Thokomala Umlazi home since 2016.

Thomas was deserted as an infant by his biological mother and the details of his father have never been known. To date the whereabouts of both his parents remain unknown. Thomas was just three years old when he was found in need of care by the Children's Magistrates Court and was placed in a Child and Youth Care facility. He spent ten years of his life growing up in a facility until a Thokomala community foster home became an option for him.

In 2016 he was moved into the LIV Thokomala Umlazi home where he has grown up in a family setting. LIV Thokomala has been able to provide a stable home with a foster mother that cares for Thomas and four other children. Since the foster mother has only five children in her care, she is able to provide attention and love to each individual child in the home. Thomas is a slow learner and attends a special needs school but he has excelled in hockey and plays for his school team. Both the foster mother and LIV Thokomala have been able to support the child and his special schooling needs fully.

Thomas is an active, bubbly and now confident young man. He is responsible and very helpful to his foster mother in the home. Thomas loves living in the LIV Thokomala community home with his foster family. Thomas no longer feels like he has a stigma attached to him for being an orphan who once lived in a children's home. Thomas feels like other children who have established a sense of belonging and most importantly he knows that he is loved and is worthy of being loved.

\*Not his real name



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