



## VNR 2024 SUCCESS STORY

# Comprehensive Community Assistance

## We are in the business of helping people

Patch-Up South Africa is dedicated to assisting communities grappling with poverty, substance abuse, hunger, poor health and unemployment. Central to our service delivery is a strong emphasis on nutrition, recognising its pivotal role in the wellbeing of our beneficiaries, ultimately influencing their functional capacity to engage in our sustainability programmes. We address food security through agricultural initiatives and meal distributions, while our healthcare services focus on HIV, TB, and psychosocial support. Following our primary interventions, we empower beneficiaries to pursue further education and personal development, placing them in jobs within our organisation or collaborating with our partners. Additionally, we facilitate the capacity building of individuals and their communities to establish their own businesses.



### Industry:

NGO, Public Sector, Development and Civil Society



### Web:

Website launching in March



### More info:

Patch-up SA Facebook



**The employment initiative by Patch-Up South Africa stands as a beacon of hope for achieving Sustainable Development Goal 8 - Decent Work and Economic Growth. By providing meaningful employment opportunities and work experience, Patch-Up contributes to building a more inclusive and sustainable economy, aligning with the global commitment to leave no one behind.**

### Kagiso Mahlangu

Founder, Patch-Up South Africa

# IMPACT SUMMARY

## Fostering sustainable community development

Patch-Up South Africa's impact is designed to address multifaceted challenges within communities by adopting a holistic approach. Our business strategy is closely aligned with sustainability, encompassing nutrition, healthcare, education, and economic empowerment. Recognising the pivotal role of nutrition in the wellbeing and functionality of beneficiaries, our focus for impact is centered on this essential foundation.

Our business strategy is intricately woven with sustainability, aiming not only to address immediate challenges, but also to empower communities for long-term resilience. The interconnection of nutrition, healthcare, education and economic empowerment serves as the backbone of our holistic approach, ensuring a comprehensive and enduring impact.

### Top initiatives:

- SDG 1: No poverty
- SDG 2: Zero hunger
- SDG 3: Good health and wellbeing
- SDG 8: Decent work and economic growth
- SDG 11: Sustainable cities and communities

Ambition: Holistic impact today, sustainable communities tomorrow

## SUCCESS STORY: Empowering Youth and Transforming Communities

Patch-Up addressed the challenge of unemployment by implementing a solution focused on providing jobs and valuable work experience for over 40 youth. This initiative was deeply rooted in Patch-Up's mission to uplift and transform vulnerable communities. Through strategic employment opportunities, Patch-Up aimed to not only combat unemployment, but also to empower young individuals with the skills and experience necessary to thrive in the workforce.

As a result, the initiative successfully employed and empowered youth across various job functions, contributing to holistic community development. These employment opportunities not only provided individuals with a source of income, but also fostered positive growth within the community, creating pathways for sustainable economic development and societal progress.

Looking ahead, Patch-Up remains committed to ensuring the long-term impact of its initiatives. By creating a skilled workforce for the future, Patch-Up aims to address broader societal challenges and contribute to the overall wellbeing of South African communities. This commitment underscores Patch-Up's dedication to making a lasting difference in the lives of individuals and the communities they serve.

In conclusion, Patch-Up's employment initiative stands as a testament to its successful approach in combatting unemployment, transforming lives, and laying the groundwork for a more sustainable future in South African communities.

The stakeholders benefiting from this success include:

- Unemployed people and their families
- Local communities
- Sponsors
- South African government.

Through collaboration and collective effort, Patch-Up's impact extends far beyond individual employment opportunities, leaving a lasting legacy of positive change.

## TOP RESULTS



**66%** women and youth employed by the organisation



**3761** meals distributed to food insecure communities



**400** substance users accessing healthcare services

## PRIORITY SDGs

