

15TH SAB FOUNDATION THOLOANA
ENTERPRISE PROGRAMME

Celebration **2025**



FETOLA



Bridgit Evans | SAB Foundation, Executive Director

I am so proud of the graduates in this cohort, each and every one of you. You are extraordinary men and women who have shown immense strength and resilience. I know the journey hasn't been easy. You have dealt with many challenges while on this programme and what always inspires me is your strength and ability to keep going, and you have emerged victorious! Not only have you achieved a remarkable 68% increase in turnover, but most importantly, you've created over 320 jobs. This is just the beginning for you, and I know there's so much more to come.

We have fantastic partners in Fetola who have helped guide and support you through the programme, but I want you to know that every single day, we're actively looking for opportunities that will help you grow and thrive. At SAB Foundation, I'm fortunate to have a team of incredible women by my side, and our dream is for each of you to realise your full potential.

The more we help you, the more we can all build a flourishing country, where nobody is left behind.

You leave this programme with an incredible network of friends and supporters - people who genuinely want to see you succeed. If nothing else, that's a priceless gift.

I'm excited to see you continue to grow, and rest assured, we will be here watching and doing all we can to open doors for you. I can't wait to see what you do next.

Congratulations to every one of you!



Catherine Wijnberg | Fetola, CEO

To the TP15 cohort, I celebrate your individual achievements, and the partnerships that have played a pivotal role in your success. Each of you has walked a solo journey and benefited from the immense collaboration and support of your peers, and mentors. Together, you've navigated the challenges with resilience and, more importantly, built partnerships and friendships that have helped you thrive.

In the SAB Foundation you have also found a partner that will care for your wellbeing the long term, a partner that will stick with you through your struggles, encouraging you to succeed.

I am confident that the success you have achieved on this programme will have a ripple effect in your homes and in communities all over the country. This legacy makes me very proud – of who you are, of the Tholoana Programme, and of our partnership with the SAB Foundation.

I extend my gratitude to the mentors and my team who have worked tirelessly alongside you: building networks, sharing knowledge, and enabling you to transform your businesses.

As you move forward, remember what you have learnt in the programme and be sure to use this to propel you into the future. Nurture yourself, your staff and the partnerships that will provide the support you need to take your businesses to new heights.

I wish you every success as you launch into the next phase of your journey. Go out there and make South Africa proud!



Nadine October | Fetola, Lead Programme Manager

My heart is full of gratitude as I reflect on our journey together. To the TP15 graduating business leaders – I see you. I see your path, the ups and downs, challenges and triumphs. Qaqamba and I have had the privilege of walking with you through it all. We've celebrated your victories – hard-won contracts, record sales, and personal milestones – and stood with you in tough times, through loss, setbacks, and broken dreams. Every moment has shaped this incredible journey, and it's been an honour to walk beside you.

And I can tell you with certainty: **the best is yet to come.**

We will be here, cheering you on, eager to hear stories of your successes. Whenever you reach a new milestone or simply want to talk about your business, know that we will still be here – rooting for you.

I want to leave you with a poem by Marianne Williamson that always inspires me – a reminder of the incredible potential within each of us as you continue moving forward.:

*"Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.
Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure...
We ask ourselves, who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous?
Actually, who are you not to be?
We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us.
As we let our own Light shine,
we consciously give other people permission to do the same."*

My wish for you is simple: continue to let your light shine. Continue to inspire others with your brilliance. Keep building your businesses, and keep creating futures and opportunities for the teams you lead.

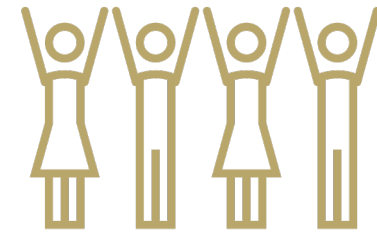
Keep shining, keep striving, and know that we're right here, cheering you on every step of the way.

INVESTMENT FUNDING

To date, over **R34,6 million** in seed funding and business development support has been deployed to support these **59** entrepreneurs.



Total applications received
for the 15th cohort of the
SAB Foundation Tholoana Enterprise Programme.



On the 1st of June 2023,
69 participants joined the programme and
59 have graduated.



GROUP TURNOVER GROWTH

- The participants of our fifteenth cohort had an impressive growth of **68,44%** increase in turnover, which equates to an overall increase of **R20 216 292** between the first quarter of entering the programme and the last quarter of the programme.
- The Cohort's profitability grew by **36% quarter on quarter**
*Note Monthly turnover growth calculated as the [percent difference in total cohort turnover in quarter one (June – August 2023) vs the last quarter (September – November 2024)]



INDIVIDUAL TURNOVER GROWTH

- **9** (15%) of the businesses increased turnover by over 200% since programme entry
- **6** (10%) of the cohort has experienced **growth of more than 100%**
*Note Monthly job growth calculated point on point, 1st month vs last month



JOB CREATION

During their time the programme, our entrepreneurs managed to create a record-breaking total of 385 new jobs and sustaining 606 jobs. Therefore exiting with **991 jobs in total**. The cost per job excluding grant funding was **R54 002** and including grant funding was **R88 272**.

The average net number of new jobs created are **7 jobs per business**. According to Statistics South Africa, a typical employed South African supports approximately, three additional people. Based on this statistic, the TP15 cohort has therefore **indirectly supported 3 469 people** through the jobs it created and sustained.

63% of the participants (N= 37/59) have created **at least one new job** between programme entry in June 2023 and November 2024.

DEMOGRAPHICS



39%
MEN



61%
WOMEN

BUSINESS
OWNERS



39%
YOUTH-LED

25% Rural

31%

Urban
areas



LOCATION

44%

Peri-urban/
townships



8%

PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES



SECTOR PERFORMANCE

Businesses in the cohort ranged across all sectors, including, Agriculture, Professional Services, Wholesale and Retail, Construction, Manufacturing and assembly, Electricity, Gas and Water Supply, Waste Management & Recycling, etc.

The following sectors were the best performing from the TP15 cohort:

TRANSPORT & STORAGE



124%
REVENUE GROWTH



162%
JOB GROWTH

AGRICULTURE, HUNTING, FORESTRY & FISHING



102%
REVENUE GROWTH



95%
JOB GROWTH

BEAUTY & COSMETICS



86%
REVENUE GROWTH



152%
JOB GROWTH

*Note Monthly turnover growth calculated as the [percent difference in total cohort turnover in quarter one (June – August 2023) vs the last quarter (September – November 2024)] and monthly job growth calculated point on point, 1st month vs last month





AWARD WINNERS

WINNER

Nomathemba Selesho
Themba Liyeza Logistics (Pty) Ltd

Mentored by: Bathabile Moreki



Nomathemba Selesho, founder of Themba Liyeza Logistics (Pty) Ltd, has earned the Tholoana Award for her exceptional commitment to driving her business forward. She has leveraged her unique skills and maximised the opportunities offered by the programme to develop her transport and logistics business, achieving substantial income and job growth. She has actively supported her peers and is an ambassador for the Tholoana Enterprise Programme. Nomathemba's dedication and potential for future growth make her a deserving recipient of this esteemed recognition.

THE THOLOANA AWARD

This prestigious award is presented by SAB Foundation to the business who has demonstrated commitment to driving their business forward. They have shown exceptional growth performance, made good use of all opportunities availed to them and made a positive contribution to the success of the programme. They are Brand Ambassadors for the Tholoana program and show good potential for future growth.

RUNNERS-UP:



Omphemetse Ranoto
Pheme Everlast Poultry



Zethu Nyali
ZeeOrganics Clinic

WINNER

Omphemetse Ranoto PHEME Everlast Poultry

Mentored by: Victor Mathabathe



Omphemetse Ranoto, founder of PHEME Everlast Poultry, has earned the Rocket Fuel Award for achieving the highest sustained business growth over the programme period. Driven by a desire to make a difference, Omphemetse has shown remarkable resilience and entrepreneurial spirit. Despite the numerous challenges which she has faced, Omphemetse has successfully grown her chicken production business and plans to expand into processed products, creating job opportunities. We will watch with keen interest to see her continued growth in future.

THE ROCKET FUEL AWARD

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the business that has shown the highest sustained business growth over the programme period.

RUNNERS-UP:



Thandi Mase
Sebenzile Demolitions



Nomathemba Selesho
Themba Liyeza Logistics
(Pty) Ltd

WINNER

Trevor Mthombothi **Mzansi Solar**

Mentored by: Victor Mathabathe



Trevor Mthombothi, founder of Mzansi Solar, has been awarded the Gold Star Award for maximising the resources and initiatives made available to him through the programme. Trevor fully engaged in programme offerings such as brand building, mentorship, grant funding, workshops and media opportunities. Throughout the programme, he showed dedication to reporting and responsiveness to the programme team and therefore he has received this award.

THE **GOLD STAR** **AWARD**

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the business that has made full use of all elements of the programme.

RUNNERS-UP:



Omphemetse Ranoto
Pheme Everlast Poultry



Lyndall Moodley
Hannah Grace



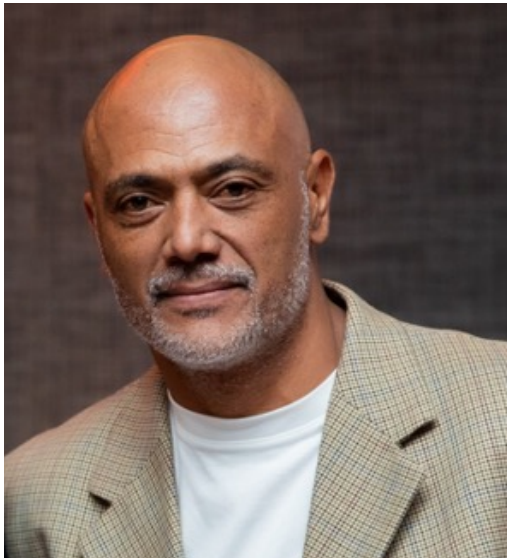
Thandi Mase
Sebenzile Demolitions

WINNER

Shane Fakoe

Shanes Butchery and Grill (Pty) Ltd

Mentored by: Ismail Kajee



Shane Fakoe, founder of Shane's Butchery and Grill (Pty) Ltd, has earned the Dream Participant Award for his outstanding commitment to the programme's requirements. Shane has diligently adhered to all programme elements, consistently completing forms, surveys, and reports within deadlines. Shane's unwavering dedication and reliability make him a deserving recipient of this award.

THE DREAM PARTICIPANT AWARD

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the business that adhered diligently to all programme requirements completing all forms, surveys and reports within the deadlines.

RUNNERS-UP:



Michiko Mavunga
The Eco Laundry



Twiggy Nyaumwe
Prohealth Manufacturing SA

WINNER

Zoey Mkabela **Volumicious**

Mentored by: Eugenie Drakes



Zoey Mkabela, founder of Volumicious, has earned the Team Player Award for her noteworthy support and guidance to fellow participants. Voted for by her peers, Zoey received the most votes for her encouraging and inspiring presence. She consistently shared her social media success and marketing strategies openly, encouraging others to thrive. Zoey actively participated in workshops, always willing to share her experiences and journey, demonstrating a positive and friendly attitude throughout the programme. Her eagerness to share her wins and the steps she took to succeed, makes her a deserving recipient of this esteemed recognition.

THE **TEAM PLAYER** **AWARD**

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the participant who provided positive inputs, always supported and guided others on how to make best use of the programme. Fun and energetic participation at all workshops.

RUNNERS-UP:



Itumeleng Lekomanyane
Sandwich Nton Ntons



Malebo Mogapinyane-Tolo
A Re Jeng

WINNER

Zoey Mkabela
Volumicious

Mentored by: Eugenie Drakes



Zoey Mkabela, founder of Volumicious, has earned the Media Champion Award for her exceptional use of media to drive business growth and success. With a staggering follower count of 140k and over 60 posts in the last three months of the programme on Meta alone, Zoey has been the most visible in the media. She has done an amazing job showcasing her products and the wonderful work she does on social media. Her engaging content and strategic use of media provide clear proof points of her business's impact. Zoey's adeptness in promoting her business through media makes her a deserving recipient of this esteemed award.

THE MEDIA CHAMPION AWARD

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the business that used media effectively to drive growth and success in the business.

RUNNERS-UP:



Lyndall Moodley
Hannah Grace



Nontsikelelo Magwaza
Mrs Hairfidence

WINNER

Thandi Mase
Sebenzile Demolition
Mentored by: Mark Ristow



Thandi Mase, founder of Sebenzile Demolition, has earned the Entrepreneurial Award for her courage in breaking barriers and stepping into unknown territory. Thandi's tenacity and perseverance in a male-dominated industry have led her to establish a successful full-service demolition enterprise. Despite initial doubts and challenges, she has created a name for herself by spotting new opportunities and employing effective strategies. Thandi's ability to pivot and adapt in a challenging market demonstrates her entrepreneurial spirit and agility. Her dedication to positivity and excellence throughout her business career makes this a well-deserved award.

THE ENTREPRENEURIAL AWARD

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the business that broke the mould and demonstrated courage to step into unknown territory and explore new opportunities.

RUNNERS-UP:



Caroline Malatji
Disability Accessible
Accommodation and Travel Pty Ltd



Tshepo Ntemane
Moringa Lifestyle

WINNER

Nomathemba Selesho **Themba Liyeza Logistics (Pty) Ltd**

Mentored by: Bathabile Moreki



Nomathemba Selesho, founder of Themba Liyeza Logistics (Pty) Ltd, has earned the Spotlight Award for Job Creation. During the programme she created the highest number of net permanent jobs during the programme period. Inspired by her children, Nomathemba leveraged her unique skills to expand her business. With a footprint in coal transportation and expansion into the import and export space, Themba Liyeza Logistics takes pride in customer satisfaction and delivering measurable added value. Nomathemba's exceptional job creation efforts demonstrate her commitment to the economic growth of her community, making her a deserving recipient of this esteemed recognition.

THE **SPOTLIGHT** AWARD

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the business that has created the most jobs during their time on the programme.

RUNNERS-UP:



Matsae Tsotetsi
MS Construction and Projects



Zethu Nyali
ZeeOrganics Clinic

WINNER

Emmanuel Mothae Bots Bakers

Mentored by: Clifford Mokhuane



Emmanuel Mothae, founder of Bots Bakers, has earned the Community Impact Award for his significant and positive impact in his community. As a first-time entrepreneur, Emmanuel is dedicated to growing and developing aspiring entrepreneurs. Through Bots Bakers, he works with unemployed youth, providing them with training and stock to sell, allowing them to earn commission from their sales. This initiative earned him the No.1 Iwisa Community Champion award in the Free State. Additionally, Bots Bakers runs an in-house skills development programme, offering practical baking training and stipends to unemployed youth who could not further their studies. Emmanuel's commitment to empowering young people and creating job opportunities has made a great impact on his community, making him a deserving recipient of this award.

THE COMMUNITY IMPACT AWARD

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the business that has used their benefits from the programme to impact their community in a significant and positive way.

RUNNERS-UP:



Zethu Nyali
ZeeOrganics Clinic



Mzimasi Jalisa
Jay Jay Farming

WINNERS

Neo Mohlala
Mizpah Farming Project

Mentored by:
Lusanele Mahlutshana



&

Mokgwathi Kekana
Kekana Farming

Mentored by:
Simon Ramonyai



Neo Mohlala, founder of Mizpah Farming Project, and Mokgwathi Kekana, founder of Kekana Farming, have earned the Collaboration Award for their impactful collaborative projects. Their partnership provided mechanisation services to local farmers, and they successfully planted cabbages, significantly boosting their businesses and supporting local agriculture. Neo's transition from optometry to farming and Mokgwathi's perseverance in agriculture highlight their dedication to community upliftment and food security. Their collaborative efforts make them deserving recipients of this esteemed recognition.

THE COLLABORATION IMPACT AWARD

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the business that has done the most/most impactful collaborative projects with other entrepreneurs on the programme.

RUNNERS-UP:



Carla Botha
ACE Consortium



Lyndall Moodley
Hannah Grace



Siphelele Ngidi
Mcimbi Agricultural Produce



Zethu Nyali
ZeeOrganics Clinic

WINNER

Adelaide Yolanda Klow
Queens Nest Farms Pty Ltd

Mentored by: Flo Mosoane



Adelaide Yolanda Klow, founder of Queens Nest Farms Pty Ltd, has earned the SABF Appreciation Award for her demonstrated appreciation and kindness to the SAB Foundation Team during her Tholoana journey. Driven by the desire to do better and engage in purposeful work, Adelaide has always been entrepreneurial, running multiple informal small businesses before registering her farming business three years ago. She has faced numerous challenges during her time on the programme and has reached out on several occasions to express her gratitude for the programme support and opportunities, making her a deserving recipient of this award.

THE SABF APPRECIATION AWARD

This award is presented by the SAB Foundation to the entrepreneur who has demonstrated appreciation and kindness to the SABF Team on their Tholoana journey.

RUNNERS-UP:



Thandi Mase
Sebenzile Demolitions



Alwin Avhashai Makhale
Alwin General Trading/ AA
Moringa Farms

WINNER

Mamokete Dhlamini
MEP Plants and Décor

Mentored by: Eugenie Drakes



Mamokete won the competition due to her ability to clearly articulate her business vision and show strong drive. She pitched her hospital canteen business, offering affordable, high-quality food for patients, visitors, and staff. Her innovative plan to use mobile carts for faster, safer delivery to hospital wards impressed the judges, promising both improved service and increased revenue. Her passion and commitment to growing her business made her the standout winner.

THE THOLOANA PITCH MASTER AWARD

The Tholoana Pitch Master Competition capped an 18-month journey for 20 TP15 businesses, offering expert feedback, exposure, and a share of R30,000. It showcased SME resilience and innovation while enabling key networking opportunities.

RUNNERS-UP:



Nothando Trace Khowa
Umbilo Express Plant Hire



Emmanuel Mothae
Bots Bakers



MENTORS

WINNER

Ockert Fransch



Ockert Fransch has earned the Mentor of the Year Award for his impactful mentorship and dedication to empowering entrepreneurs. His guidance has significantly boosted the growth and resilience of his mentees, fostering a supportive environment for their business ventures to thrive. His efforts in facilitating successful business practices and fostering a culture of excellence make him a deserving recipient of this esteemed recognition.

THE MENTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

This award is presented by the
SAB Foundation to the best
performing Mentor.

RUNNER-UP:



Victor Mathabathe



NIGHT OF THE STARS





A photograph of rows of red upholstered theater seats in a dimly lit auditorium. The seats are arranged in a curved pattern, and the lighting is warm and focused on the seats. A dark gray rectangular box is centered over the middle of the image, containing the text "GRADUATE PROFILES" in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

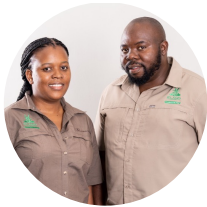
GRADUATE PROFILES

**Adelaide Yolanda Klow: Queens Nest Farms**

Adelaide Yolanda Klow started her business Queens Nest Farms in Johannesburg, Gauteng, three years ago when she spotted a gap in the market for more affordable sources of protein. She supplies small shops and spaza shops with hens and eggs from her farm in Tarlton, Krugersdorp. Website: <https://queensnest.co.za/>

**Alwin Avhashai Makhale: AA Moringa Farms**

Alwin Avhashai Makhale is a passionate young farmer. He left his engineering job to start his own business AA Moringa Farms which is based in Thohoyandou, Limpopo. He specialises in herb farming and the agro-processing of moringa, mint, lemongrass, artemesia afra and hibiscus into capsules, tea bags, tissue oil, powder and spices. Website: <https://aamoringa.co.za/>

**Amohelang & Brian Malangabi: Eland Greens**

Pearl Malangabi wanted a challenge after her child was born. So, she and her husband Brian Mahlalela bought a smallholding in Walkerville, south of Johannesburg, in 2017 and started Eland Greens. They focus on growing vegetables and herbs which they sell to supermarkets, fresh produce markets and hawkers. Website: <https://www.elandgreens.co.za/>

**Anna Kgosieng: Merithitho Community Pharmacy**

Anna Kgosieng wanted to make a contribution to her community's health and well-being. She opened Merithitho Community Pharmacy in Taung, Northwest about two years ago. Anna dispenses medicine and sells health-related products, screens patients for chronic diseases and provides baby clinic services. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Merithitho/>

**Ansell Langeveldt: Veldt Boerdery**

Ansell Langeveldt started a farming business, Veldt Boerdery in 2019 in Stellenbosch, Western Cape. The business started with the planting of spinach and then expanded its farming operations to include green beans, green pepper, cauliflower, broccoli, cabbage, brinjals, watermelon and butternut. Website: <https://veldtboerdery.co.za/>

**Buyambo Mantashe: Siphamba Agri Group**

Buyambo Mantashe started Siphamba Agri Group 4 years ago. It is a mixed farming operation with a focus on breeding livestock which he sells to abattoirs and farmers, and maize production. The business is in Olifantsfontein, Eastern Cape. Website: <https://siphamba.co.za/>

**Carla Botha: ACE Consortium**

ACE Consortium (trading as West & Brown) specialises in the manufacture of unique leather products such as belts, wallets, bags and accessories. Started by Carla Botha, 4 years ago, the business supplies many online stores and is based in Cape Town, Western Cape. Website: <https://westandbrown.co.za/>

**Caroline Malatji: Disability Accessible Accommodation and Travel**

After a devastating car accident, Caroline Malatji felt encouraged to help others with disabilities. She started Disability Accessible Accommodation and Travel which provides medical equipment, medical products, and hygiene products to people living with disabilities and the elderly while also offering transportation services, flights tickets and hotel bookings. Website: <https://daats.co.za/>

**Dieketseng Mahlelele: Dieketseng Farming**

Dieketseng Mahlelele was raised by a father who was a farmer and she became an entrepreneur to create a legacy for her children and to build a sustainable business that could alleviate poverty in her rural community in Lejweleputswa District, Free State. Dieketseng Farming breeds livestock, poultry and grows crops, mainly grains. LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/dieketseng-mahlelele-37786941/?originalSubdomain=za>

**Dimakatso Ramahlodi: Maledi Fresh**

Dimakatso Ramahlodi was inspired to start her business Maledi Fresh to focus on organic fresh produce. The farm is located in Winterveldt, Pretoria and the retail store is based in Randburg. The business also supplies Woolworths, health shops, private companies and members of the public with fruit and vegetables free of synthetic chemicals. Website: <https://maledifresh.co.za/start>

**Emmanuel Mothae: Bots Bakers**

Bots Bakers is a bakery that specialises in selling high-quality bread, buns, pies and muffins at affordable prices in Botshabelo, Free State. It was started by Emmanuel Mothae who honed his bakery skills while working in a chain grocery store bakery.

Website: <https://botsbakers.co.za/>

**Itumeleng Lekomanyane: Sandwich Nton Ntons**

Itumeleng Lekomanyane started his business, Sandwich Nton Ntons, as a street vendor and over time formalised the business and opened a store in Johannesburg, Gauteng. Today he sells sandwiches, hot meals, traditional food, kotas, wraps and baked goods and provides catering services.

Website: <https://www.sandwichntonntons.co.za/>

**Jonathan Kettledas: NanoTek**

Jonathan Kettledas took a leap of faith and started his business NanoTek, an accredited ICT solutions provider, more than 5 years ago in Gqeberha in the Eastern Cape. The business offers digital training, software development, network connectivity, and cyber security services.

Website: <https://www.nanotek.co.za/>

**Kgomotso Mabudi: Kgomotso Images Projects**

Kgomotso Images Projects provides a professional laundry and cleaning service to corporates (mines and private companies), guesthouses, the public sector, correctional services as well as individual households in Pretoria, Gauteng. The business was founded by Kgomotso Mabudi 5 years ago.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/p/Kgomotso-Images-Projects-100073835357643/>

**Khulekani Masondo: Khulebusa Enterprise**

Khulekani Masondo started his business to create opportunities. Khulebusa Enterprise consists of a small "restaurant", selling ice in bulk and ox heads to food stalls at taxi ranks. They also manufacture and embroider company logos on uniforms for the catering industry. The business is situated in Richards Bay, KwaZulu Natal.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063019699984>

**Krishna Rajput: Enlightenment Foods**

Enlightment Foods is a vegetarian food manufacturing business established in 2014 with the aim of providing consumers with healthier food choices. The company was founded by Minesh and Varsha Rajput, and their son, Krishna Rajput, now manages the day-to-day operations.

Website: <https://enlightmentfoods.co.za/>

**Lehlohonolo Mphakathi: Qondobuhle SA Holdings**

Lehlohonolo Mphakathi founded Qondobuhle SA, a waste collection company that collects, sorts and treats waste. They also provide environmental awareness and education to schools in Mbombela, Mpumalanga.

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/qondobuhlesa/>

**Lelethu Canca: Yummy Greeny Chow**

Lelethu Canca is a former software developer who started her business, Yummy Greeny Chow as a home-based kitchen that serves natural, fresh, healthy, macro-balanced prepacked convenient meals delivered to clients daily. The business is based in Durban, KwaZulu Natal.

Website: <https://greenlifestyle.co.za/>

**Junior Talana: Dermacell Cosmetics & Healthcare**

Dermacell Cosmetics & Healthcare is a cosmetics company established in 2013 by Lerato Talana and her son, Junior Talana. Dermacell manufactures and distributes a range of skin and healthcare products in Pretoria, Gauteng. The range is also available at Clicks stores.

Website: <https://dermacell.co.za/>

**Louisa Da Silva: Excelle Hair Clinic & Training**

Louisa Da Silva loves empowering people through training. She is a trained hairdresser, and started Excelle Hair Clinic & Training, a full-service hair salon and training centre based in Cape Town, in the Western Cape.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/p/Excelle-Hair-Clinic-and-Training-PTY-100084011981009/>

**Lungisa Lutshaba: Analit Africa**

Analit Africa is a fast-growing consumer brands and product development company that sells food products and premium skincare ranges. Owner Lungisa Lutshaba became an entrepreneur because he has always been fascinated by consumer buying behaviour. Analit is located in Gqeberha, Eastern Cape, and has been operational for 3-4 years.

Website: <https://analitafrika.com/home/>

**Lyndall Moodley: Hannah Grace**

Lyndall Moodley started Hannah Grace, an online maternity wear store after being dissatisfied with the lack of practical and fashionable maternity wear on the market. The business was established in 2014 and is situated in Durban, KwaZulu Natal.

Website: <https://hannahgracematernity.co.za/>

**Malebo Mogapinyane-Tolo: A Re Jeng**

Malebo Mogapinyane-Tolo is passionate about food. Her business, A Re Jeng – which means “Let’s eat” in Setswana, operates as a restaurant from Tuesday until Friday and on weekends it is a function venue. The business is located in Mahikeng, Northwest and has been in operation for 3-4 years.

Website: <https://arejengrsa.co.za/>

**Mamokete Dhlamini: MEP Plants and Décor**

Mamokete Dhlamini had been in the plants and hygiene industry for more than 20 years before starting her own company in Vanderbijlpark 5 years ago. Originally established to provide office plants, landscaping and event decor, the business now also offers hygiene services for corporate, government and industrial clients.

Website: <https://mepplantsanddecor.co.za/>

**Matsae Tsoetsi: MS Construction and Projects**

Matsae Tsoetsi grew up in a family of farmers and started her business in 2018 initially as a vegetable farm and a piggery. Today, there is a convenience store from which she distributes and sells the fresh, organic products to the local market. The business is located in Poelongs, Free State.

**Mawethu Tatubana: Interscape Solutions**

Mawethu Tatubana started Interscape Solutions over five years ago in Tylden, Eastern Cape, to pursue his interests. The business specializes in landscaping and environmental consulting and has recently expanded into commercial sheep and cattle farming.

Linkedin: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/mawethu-tatubana-6b758448/?originalSubdomain=za>

**Michiko Mavunga: The Eco Laundry**

Michiko Mavunga wants to leave a positive legacy for her children, grandchildren and the planet. The Eco Laundry uses machines that consume less water and energy, and has fewer CO2 emissions. The business is situated in Gqeberha, Eastern Cape and has been operational for 4-5 years.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/theecolaundryza>

**Moeketsi Ramokone: JP4IR Solutions**

Moeketsi Ramokone is passionate about robotics. He is the co-founder of JP4IR Solutions which focuses primarily on teaching coding, robotics, and digital skills to youth while also working on initiatives involving automation. The business is situated in Bloemfontein, Free State.

Website: <https://www.jp4ir.com/>

**Mokgwathi Thato Kekana: Kekana Farming**

Mokgwathi Thato Kekana is a resilient young man; he started farming in his parents' back yard while he was still in school. He started Kekana Farming in Kgapane, Limpopo more than 5 years ago and focuses on vegetable crops.

**Moleboheng Kasimukire: Champline Enterprises**

Moleboheng Kasimukire knew that something was missing from her life. So, she started Champline Enterprises, a family-run, vegetable farm based in Kaalfontein in the Vaal Triangle, thrilled that she is able to create jobs in her rural community while being fulfilled. She runs the farm with her father, Moeketsi Mahasa, who is 74 years old.

Website: <https://champline.co.za/>



Mzimasi Jalisa: Jay Jay Farming

Mzimasi Jalisa and Siphe Joyi are two young farmers who are concerned about food security. They started Jay Jay Farming in Baziya in the Eastern Cape 5 years ago and they grow maize on 80 hectares of leased communal land. The company has since diversified into grain and vegetable production.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/p/JJ-Farming-Pty-Ltd-100063549535510/>



Neo Mohlala: Mizpah Farming Project

Neo Mohlala is a young entrepreneur who wants to positively impact the lives of the people in his community. He left a career in optometry to follow his passion: farming. Mizpah Farming Project, based in Bushbuckridge, Mpumalanga, grows vegetable crops and makes sauces from the farm produce.

Website: www.mkgsolutions.co.za



Nhlanhla Ngwenya: Phunyeletso Empire Investments

Nhlanhla Ngwenya started her farming business, Phunyeletso Empire Investments, five years ago to leave a legacy for her children. She grows vegetables and crops, such as spinach, cabbage, and butternut on the farm that is located in Bethal, Mpumalanga.



Nomathemba Selesho: Themba Liyeza Logistics

Themba Liyeza Logistics is a transport, logistics, freight forwarding, warehousing and packaging company that is currently focusing on opportunities in the import and export space. Started by Nomathemba Selesho, the business is located in Bronkhorstspuit, Gauteng and has been operational for 3-4 years.

Website: <https://thembaliyeza.co.za/home/>



Nontsikelelo Magwaza: Mrs Hairfidence

Nontsikelelo Magwaza is the owner of Mrs Hairfidence which manufactures unique hair products and accessories for the African market. They also provide a one-stop analysis and treatment service to clients. The business is based in Amanzimtoti, KwaZulu Natal.

Website: <https://www.mrshairfidence.co.za/index.html>



Nothando Trace Khowa: Umbilo Express Plant Hire

Umbilo Express Plant Hire was started in Umbilo, Durban, 5 years ago by Nothando Trace Khowa. Her business supplies equipment to construction companies, contractors, builders, plumbers and DIY enthusiasts to complete their construction, maintenance and renovation projects.

Website: <http://www.umbiloplanthire.co.za/>



Nozipho Tshakane: Cleanfest

Nozipho Tshakane is passionate about making a difference in people's lives. She worked in numerous companies offering food safety-related services before deciding to start her own business. Cleanfest manufactures a wide range of cleaning and personal hygiene products is based in Amanzimtoti, KwaZulu Natal.

Website: <https://cleanfest.co.za/>



Nsizwazonke Vilakazi: Prelim Logistix

Nsizwazonke Vilakazi started his business to provide much-needed services to his community. Prelim Logistix pivoted from a transportation business into an internet café so that residents could apply for jobs and to universities. This small internet café is now part of a successful supermarket and based in Johannesburg, Gauteng.

Website: <https://prelim.co.za/>



Nthabiseng Evodia Mtikrakra: Euagro Vrede Farm

Nthabiseng Evodia Mtikrakra is a seasoned entrepreneur who has ventured into a variety of industries before she found her calling in farming. Euagro Vrede Farm is based in Dagbreek in the Free State and is a weaner calf producer. Nthabiseng is committed to sustainable farming practices to protect the 420-ha farm's resources.



Ntsako Sibuyi: Mthuzemuhle and Son

Mthuzemuhle and Son manufactures and supplies bricks, building sand and river sand to individual homeowners and aims to expand to retail buyers soon. The business was founded by Ntsako Sibuyi and is based in Bushbuckridge, Mpumalanga.



Obakeng Kopano Metswamere: Obakopano Trading and Projects

Obakeng Kopano Metswamere has a passion for farming and nature. He started selling livestock at the age of 16 and today his business produces sunflower, maize, beans and livestock - boer goats and doper sheep. The business is located in Delareyville, Northwest and has been operational for more than 5 years.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/people/Obakopano-trading-and-projects/100089299467077>



Omphemetse Ranoto: PHEME Everlast

Omphemetse Ranoto is a young, motivated entrepreneur who wants to inspire change in her community in Hammanskraal, Gauteng. Her business, PHEME Everlast, is a poultry farm that has been operational for about 4 years.



Phemelo Mafu: Schutz Group

Phemelo Mafu is a young entrepreneur left her job as a financial accountant and followed her passion for farming. She started Schutz Trading and Enterprise about 4 years ago in Mareetsane and Brits, Northwest. The business currently focuses on vegetable farming and plants sunflowers.



Phumelele Mahlinza: MK Green Solutions

Phumelele Mahlinza left behind a career as an architectural technologist to start a business with her two brothers. MK Green Solutions started as a community clean-up project and this progressed to the collection and separation of recyclables from households, schools and businesses in Pietermaritzburg and Estcourt in KwaZulu Natal.

Website: <https://mkgsolutions.co.za/>



Prudence Lesego Mmusi: LSG Fresh

Prudence Lesego wants to be the person in her family who breaks the cycle of poverty. Her business, LSG Fresh, makes and sells pizza while also providing daily cooked meals, platters, combos, and lunch boxes. The business is based in Pampierstad, Northern Cape.



Rendani Raliphada: Murero Fleet Management

Rendani Raliphada left his job as an accountant to start Murero Fleet Management, a business that supplies recycling companies with plastic and cardboard. The business is based at the landfill in Mamelodi, Pretoria, Gauteng.



Shane Fakoe: Shanes Butchery and Grill

Shane Fakoe is inspired by his children to live life to the fullest. He started Shane's Butchery and Grill which sells meat products such as beef, lamb, pork and seafood to the public in Alberton, Gauteng, and has an online store.

Website: <https://shanesbutchery.co.za/home/>



Sibusiso Vilakazi: Pure Valley Juice

Sibusiso Vilakazi is a former engineer who decided to start his own business. Pure Valley Juice manufactures 5 flavours of fruit based on the demand of consumers. The business is located in Pretoria, Gauteng and has been operational for 4-5 years.

Website: www.purevalley.co.za



Siphelele Ngidi: Mcimbi Agricultural Produce

Siphelele Ngidi started her business with limited knowledge of farming, but soon upskilled and acquired more farms. Today, she supplies vegetables to local markets and retail stores and has a nursery that supplies seedlings to local farmers. The business is located in Ndwedwe, Durban, KwaZulu-Natal and has been operational for more than 5 years.

Website: www.mcimbiagriproduce.co.za



Talita Phili: Ndulita School Wear

Ndulita School Wear is a uniform manufacturing business that supplies uniforms to seven schools and has uniform shops in the schools. Owned by Talita Phili, the business is based in Johannesburg, Gauteng and has been operational for 1-2 years.



Thandi Mase: Sebenzile Demolition & Projects

Thandi Mase is a serial entrepreneur who enjoys a challenge and breaking barriers. Five years ago, she decided to go into demolitions and established Sebenzile Demolitions & Projects, a full-service demolition enterprise, in Sandton, Gauteng.

Website: www.sebenzile.co.za



Thulasizwe Mathenjwa: Nhlolwethu Tradings

Thulasizwe Mathenjwa started Nhlolwethu Poultry four years ago to overcome the challenges of working long hours with a disability. Initially, the business was an intermediary between suppliers with buyers of day-old broilers. Now, it raises and sells broilers directly in Durban, KwaZulu-Natal.

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/Nhlolwethu/>



Trevor Mthombothi: Mzansi Solar

Trevor Mthombothi decided to start a business and provide renewable energy solutions when load shedding became a challenge in the country. Mzansi Solar Solutions, based in eMalahleni, Mpumalanga, offers full turnkey renewable energy solutions using photovoltaic solar technologies.

Website: <https://www.mzansi.solar/>



Tshepo Ntemane: Moringa Lifestyle

Tshepo and Tsholofelo Ntemane started Moringa Lifestyle to promote the amazing health benefits of the moringa plant and the pair explored new blends of teas. The business is based in Tshwane, Gauteng, and focuses on the packaging, distribution and sale of moringa-based products.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/moringalifestyleRSA/>



Tshiamo Mdhladhla: Obriani

Tshiamo Mdhladhla started Obriani, a well-established retail fashion brand that supplies high-end fashion for men and women. Tshiamo has partnered with Ubuntu Pathways to train shop assistants to be self-sustainable through a revenue/reward structure. The business is located in Gqeberha, Eastern Cape.

Website: <https://obrianisa.com/>



Twiggy Nyaumwe: ProHealth Manufacturing

Twiggy Nyaumwe started Prohealth Manufacturing 3 years ago. The business produces disposable personal protective equipment for the food and beverage processing sectors and the healthcare industry. Their 100% South African product line uses locally sourced materials and includes mob caps (hairnets), beard covers and wrist covers.

Website: www.prohealthsa.co.za



Wannaphar Kaewchana: Esteem Aesthetics

Wannaphar Kaewchana founded Esteem Aesthetics in Mthatha in the Eastern Cape 3 years ago. The wellness centre is known for providing professional skin treatments, slimming and body sculpting treatments to clients who do not want to travel to East London for their beauty treatments.

Website: <https://esteemteam.co.za/>



Zethu Nyali: Zee Organics Hair and Skincare

After witnessing the negative effects of her sister's chemotherapy, Zethu Nyali started Zee Organics in 2021 to help cancer survivors, people living with albinism or anyone suffering from hair-loss or skin-related problems. The business is based in Durban, KwaZulu Natal and has been operational for 1-2 years.

Website: www.zeeorganics.co.za



Zoey Mkabela: Volumicious

Zoey Mkabela believes in empowering people and that poverty can be overcome through employment and SMEs. She started her business, Volumicious after she lost her hair during pregnancy. The company manufactures uniquely-formulated hair products and provides hair clinic services and is based in Johannesburg, Gauteng.

Website: www.volumicious.co.za

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