



IPASA

INDEPENDENT PHILANTHROPY
ASSOCIATION SOUTH AFRICA

SOUTH AFRICA'S ONLY INDEPENDENT PHILANTHROPY NETWORK

**Empowering those committed
to empowering others**



ABOUT US

At IPASA, we believe that collaboration is essential for growing, supporting, and transforming philanthropy in South Africa. As a membership-based organisation, we are committed to building connections with key stakeholders in the philanthropy sector to help catalyse transformation both within the sector, and across the country. This involves working with funders to explore new ways of thinking about philanthropy, introducing progressive funding practices, and fostering a culture of innovation.

Through our services and offerings, we aim to build and grow a stronger and more impactful philanthropy sector that can most effectively address social and environmental challenges in the country.



IPASA is dedicated to empowering South Africa's philanthropic sector by facilitating partnerships, knowledge sharing, learning, networking and collaboration. Through these efforts, IPASA drives practical, measurable change.

Mmabatho Maboya

IPASA Council Chair and CEO
Cyril Ramaphosa Foundation



IPASA focuses on three key areas to achieve its mission



SUPPORTING
PHILANTHROPY



STRENGTHENING
PHILANTHROPY



TRANSFORMING
PHILANTHROPY

MEMBERSHIP OFFERINGS

As a membership-based organisation, we offer a range of services to our members and the philanthropy sector as a whole. These services include:

Through our services and offerings, we aim to build capacity, promote innovation, and drive positive change in the philanthropy sector in South Africa.

Knowledge sharing and learning opportunities through exclusive virtual and in-person events on topics relevant to funding practice and priorities.

Collaboration and networking opportunities with other funders and key stakeholders in the philanthropy sector.



Access to sector-specific events on funding focus areas, including education, early childhood development, climate change, employment, and entrepreneurship.

Access to our knowledge management online member portal, specific funding-related research reports, case studies, and our quarterly newsletter and monthly member updates.

Expert advice on integrating climate issues into grantmaking and investment portfolios.

Invitations to member-organized **philanthropy-related workshops and events**.

Invitations to IPASA partner events and the opportunity to join other African and global philanthropy networks.

MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

IPASA membership is open to grant-making independent philanthropic foundations, independent corporate foundations, intermediary foundations, philanthropy networks and associations; and academic institutions involved in philanthropy education and research in South Africa.

ACCREDITED MEMBERS

Actively and altruistically involved in delivering and supporting independent philanthropy in South Africa.

Voting

- Independent Foundations and Trusts
- Intermediary Foundations (fundraising and grant-making)
- International Foundations grant-making in South Africa
- Independent Corporate Foundations

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Associated with and supporting independent philanthropy in South Africa.

Non-voting

- Academic and Research Institutions supporting philanthropy
- Banking and other financial advisory institutions offering dedicated philanthropy offices or dedicated services
- Philanthropy Networks and Associations

IPASA ANNUAL PHILANTHROPY SYMPOSIUM

The IPASA Annual Philanthropy Symposium is the only gathering exclusively for grant-makers in South Africa, providing a unique opportunity for funders to come together and connect around issues and opportunities that are most relevant to their work. The Symposium offers a platform to share knowledge and collaborate on funding practice and priorities.

With engaging workshops, panels, and presentations from leading experts in the philanthropy field, the Annual Philanthropy Symposium is a must-attend event for anyone involved in funding or supporting philanthropic initiatives in South Africa. The Symposium provides an ideal environment to stay up-to-date on the latest trends, innovations, and best practices in the sector, as well as an opportunity to build relationships and explore potential collaborations with other funders.

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Through offering strategic networking, educational opportunities, and information sharing we create an environment where our members can build strong partnerships, learn from each other, connect deeply with one another, inspire each other, and act collaboratively to bring about transformational social change.

Louise Driver

Executive Director, IPASA

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ANNUAL REVIEW OF SOUTH AFRICAN PHILANTHROPY

The Annual Review of South African Philanthropy is a unique publication that showcases the work and impact of independent philanthropy in our country. It contains compelling case studies, stories, and opinion pieces from a range of philanthropists, private foundations and key philanthropy stakeholders. Since 2019, IPASA has published four annual editions of the Review, which is made available to all stakeholder groups in philanthropy locally and globally.

The Review's main purpose is to raise awareness of the possibilities and scope of giving in South Africa, stimulate a giving culture, and showcase role models in philanthropy. Each edition focuses on a specific context, highlighting the vital role of philanthropy in driving positive change amidst ongoing challenges such as unemployment, inequality, and the climate crisis in South Africa. For those interested in the philanthropic landscape of South Africa, the Annual Review of South African Philanthropy is a must-read.

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It presents an unparalleled platform to delve into the intricacies of philanthropy, openly discussing both the promising opportunities and daunting challenges that lie ahead in our shared mission to drive positive change across the continent.

Zanele Twala

CEO, Standard Bank Tutuwa Community Foundation

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IPASA MEMBERS





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