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Little Treasures Daycare—Overview

Little Treasures Daycare is a community-based early childhood development center operating under Umoja Skills Development, a registered non-profit organization. Umoja aims to empower disadvantaged individuals—especially women—through training, skills development, and income-generating opportunities. We believe that to break cycles of poverty and gender-based violence, women must be supported with practical tools, including access to affordable childcare. Our daycare was established to provide a safe and nurturing space for children, allowing mothers to pursue work or entrepreneurship with peace of mind.

Our Mission

To provide a safe, nurturing, and inclusive space for children while empowering mothers—particularly migrants and refugees—to work, study, or run businesses, thus enabling them to build a better future for their families.

Key Information

- Operating Hours: 6:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Number of Children: 22
- Number of Teachers: 2
- Cooks & Cleaners: 3 cooks and 2 cleaners (all unpaid volunteers)
- Administrator: 1 (unpaid volunteer)
- Curriculum: CAPS from Grassroot Centre (Silver Certificate)
- Extra-Curricular Activities: Soccer (in development)
- Social Media:
 - [Facebook](#)

Facilities

- Indoor Play Area includes a small section for play and eating
- Outdoor Play Area not currently available; however, children visit a nearby private park every Monday
- Kitchen: Fully functional with essential equipment

Nutrition

We provide daily cooked meals, including breakfast and lunch, to ensure every child receives the nutrition they need to grow, learn, and thrive—especially important for families facing food insecurity.

Why We Started

We opened Little Treasures Daycare to support women—especially migrant and refugee women—struggling to find employment in South Africa. By offering a safe and caring space for their children, we help mothers pursue job opportunities, training, or entrepreneurship, while their children receive quality early childhood education in a multicultural and socially enriching environment.

Community Programs (Under Umoja for Africa)

- Skills Development Workshops: Focused on employability and entrepreneurship for women
- Parental Support & Education: Workshops on parenting, childhood development, and financial literacy
- Food & Clothing Assistance: Distribution of essential goods to families in need
- Community Integration: Networking events for migrant and local communities
- Health & Wellness: Check-ups, nutrition advice, and mental health support

Future Plans

- Facility Expansion: Extend into the next building to increase capacity
- Infrastructure Upgrades: Improve classrooms, learning materials, and play areas
- More Extra-Curriculars: Introduce music, art, and additional sports programs
- Expanded Outreach: Broaden community programs to reach more families in need

Our commitment remains strong—to nurture children and empower mothers so that entire families and communities can thrive.

Together, we are building a brighter, more inclusive future—one child, one mother, and one community at a time.



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