



# ONE TO ONE AFRICA

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**Addressing Access Gaps in Early Learning in Nyandeni Sub-district, South Africa**

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Door to Door - Maternal and Child health services

30 Mentor Mothers

27 DoH CHWs

15 Clinics

Currently supporting 4500 clients

Male Engagement

Early Childhood Development – 1000 Caregivers





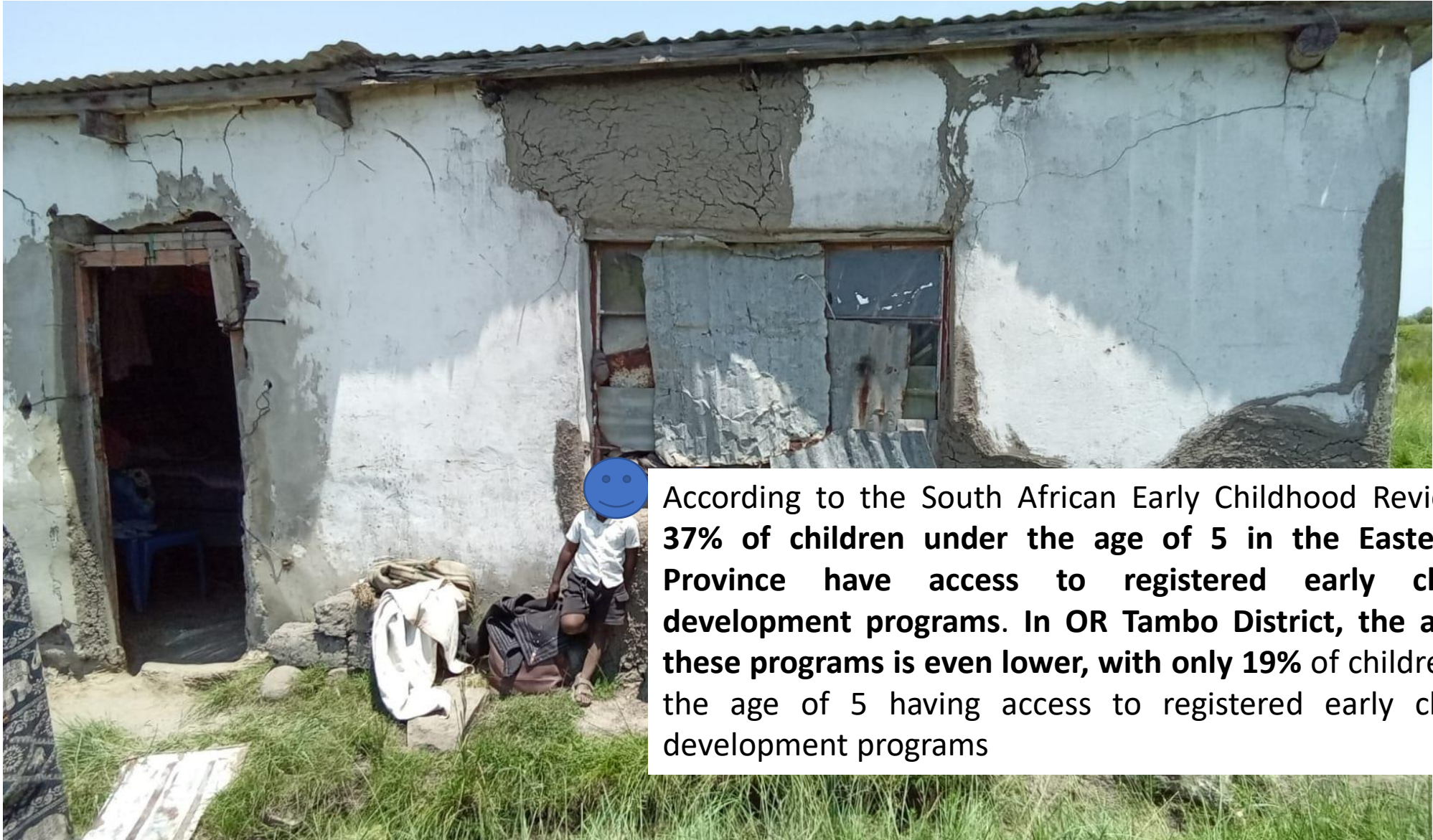
- Maternal health –ANC, ART adherence, SRH, Mental health
- Child Health – PCR/EID, growth monitoring, immunization, deworming
- Nutrition
- Social Support – birth certificates, IDs, Social Grants
- **Early Childhood Development – Opportunity for Learning, Responsive caregiving, Nutrition**
- Engaging Men – Men’s health, Supportive partners, responsive parenting
- Adolescent health – SRH, HIV Prevention, ART adherence, Wellbeing & Psychosocial support





According to the Statistics South Africa (StatsSA) report on poverty, inequality, and unemployment in South Africa (2021), **the Eastern Cape Province has the highest poverty rate in the country**, with 52.3% of its population living below the poverty line.

**OR Tambo District, located in the Eastern Cape**, is one of the poorest districts in the province, with 67.7% of the population lives below the poverty line, and the unemployment rate is 34.8%



According to the South African Early Childhood Review, **only 37% of children under the age of 5 in the Eastern Cape Province have access to registered early childhood development programs. In OR Tambo District, the access to these programs is even lower, with only 19% of children under the age of 5 having access to registered early childhood development programs**

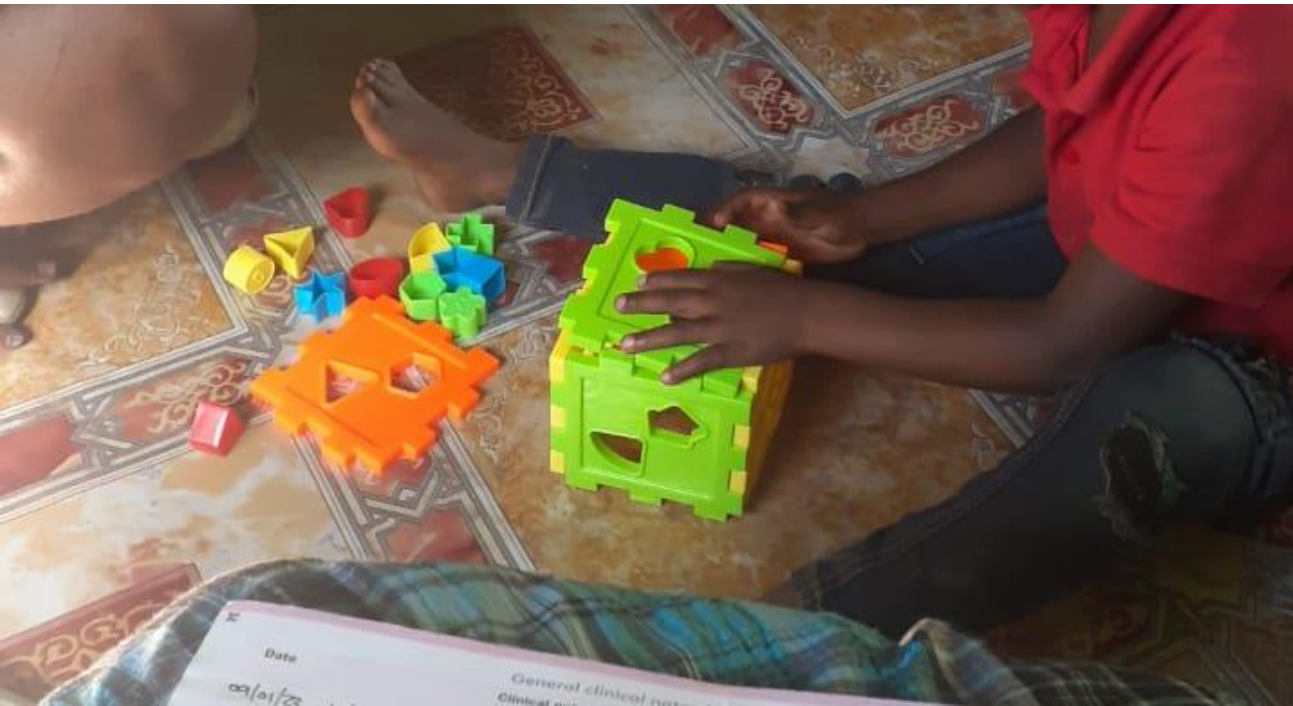






# Employed and Trained local women to become ECD Mentor Mothers

- ECD Mentor Mothers lead the implementation of the program. Weekly facilitated group sessions with caregivers in their communities.
- ECD Mentor Mothers are recruited from the communities where the program is operating. EMMs are local women
- ECD Mentor Mothers are trained to deliver the program's interventions and supported by a ECD Supervisor
- Interventions include caregiver training in responsive parenting, literacy, toy stimulation, nutrition literacy, and social protection





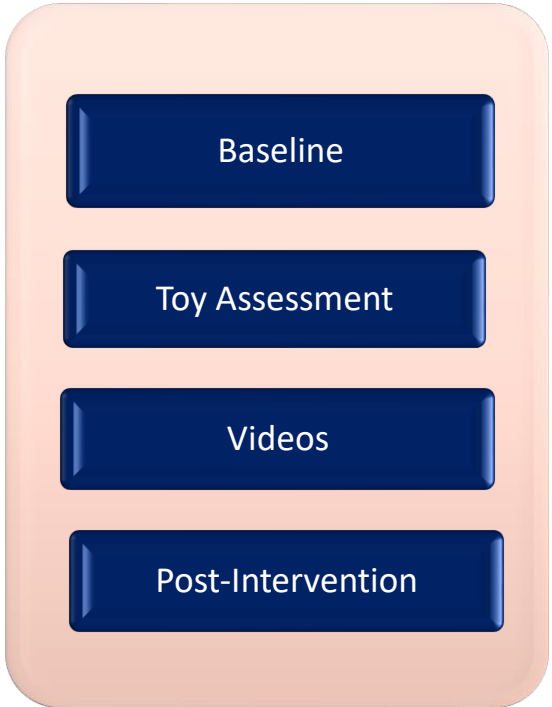
## Learnings: Community Health Workers (CHWs) as allies to ECD programmes

- CHWs work alongside ECD Mentor Mothers to deliver the program's interventions
- The program operates where CHWs are already visible and accessible
- CHWs assist in building trust and credibility within the community
- CHWs promote program adoption and address cultural beliefs and barriers





**iii) Enable Play Learning**  
Research data collection tool.  
Deployed May 2022



**INVESTMENT IMPACT INNOVATION**

**Enable Play Learning Application Impact – 2023** *(Deployed May 2022)*

Over 1000 Mothers/ Caregivers recruited and orientated on the importance of early learning & stimulation.	1000 Caregivers targeted with Toy-based early learning sessions	1000 Children targeted with early literacy and early stimulation.
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*Scale up.*



**THANK YOU**

