













SUMMARY OF ACT'S FOOD SECURITY INITIATIVES SINCE 2010



Project Name & Location	Duration	Brief Description of Project	Funder(s)	
KwaJobe Food Gardens for ECDs Jozini, KZN	March 2018 to date	The establishment of agro-ecological food gardens at three Early Childhood Development Centres to support child nutrition. Includes training and ongoing mentorship. The project supports the community engagement work of Project Rhino, working to combat wildlife crime. The food gardens support a total of 167 children, aged 0 – 6 years	Bel Foundation	
KwaDabeka Permaculture Garden eThekweni, KZN	6 months: 2018	The design and establishment of a large community permaculture garden and food forest, including fencing, irrigation and swale creation, selection and planting of appropriate crops and herbs.	eThekweni Municipality	
Initiating Agri-Ecology in Imbali & Ashdown Pietermaritzburg, KZN	6 months: 2017	ACT was contracted to assist with the agro-ecological aspect of the Msunduzi River Health Youth Situated Learning Project. The project included various 1, 2 and 5 day permaculture training workshops, as well as the establishment of homestead, school and Green Hub gardens.	Duzi-Umngeni Conservation Trust (DUCT) & other agents	
eThekweni Municipality Sustainable Livelihoods Initiative eThekweni, KZN	18 months: Jan 2016 – July 2017	50 micro-farmers were selected to undergo the accredited training course and provided with mentorship as they established their gardens for the duration of the project. An additional 450 gardens were created and potential income generating activities explored, such as links to the Open Food Network and bee-keeping activities.	eThekweni Municipality	
Inkanyamba Development Trust Community Upliftment Initiative Hlululuwe, KZN	1 year: 2016 to 2017	ACT was contracted by IDT, and implementation partner uMkhusu Social Development Trust, to provide permaculture training to 50 small growers from the Phumlani community. ACT will be developing gardens at 20 schools and crèches in Hlululuwe and surrounding communities in follow-on initiatives.	National Lotteries Commission, via Inkanyamba Development Trust (IDT)	
Dukuduku Forest Seed Distribution Centre Khula Village, Mtubatuba, KZN	6 Months: 2016	An Open Pollinated Seedling Nursery & Seed Distribution Centre was established on the outskirts of Dukuduku Forest and a series of seed saving workshops were held for 120 beneficiaries from the region.	Foundation for Human Rights which is funded by the Government of Flanders	

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Umgeni and Hlabisa Rainwater Harvesting and Food Security Project Umgeni & Hlabisa, KZN	1 Year: 2015	Gardens and rainwater harvesting systems were established at 20 schools in the Umgeni Municipality and 12 crèches in the Hlabisa region, together with training and mentorship for teachers and community members – reaching in the region of 10,000 learners. In addition, 4,200 homestead gardens were established and local community nurseries created to promote sustainability.	National Lottery Distribution Trust Fund (NLDTF)	 NATIONAL LOTTERIES COMMISSION LOTTO FUNDED
eThekwini GMC Project Greater Durban area, eThekwini Municipality, KZN	1 Year: 2014 - 2015	The project incorporated many elements including waste management and the rehabilitation of an illegal sand mining area with a large permaculture vegetable garden. The garden will become a community market garden, cared for by 25 local community residents; these farmers all received mentorship and training in permaculture gardening.	Department of Environmental Affairs	 environmental affairs Department of Environmental Affairs REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA
Sinani Homestead Gardening Vulamehlo, eThekwini & Msunduzi Municipalities, KZN	18 Months: 2014 - 2015	4 groups of trainees (63 beneficiaries from 6 communities) attended the 5-day homestead permaculture gardening course in Hillcrest. The beneficiaries then received on-going assistance and mentorship at their gardens.	Sinani (Programme for Survivors of Violence) via Weltfriedensdienst e.V.	 KWAZULU-NATAL PROGRAMME FOR SURVIVORS OF VIOLENCE Sinani
Hlabisa Community Food Garden Hlabisa, KZN	1 Year: 2014-2015	The design and establishment of a large (2 HA) community food garden, with associated mentorship for community members. Included fencing, rainwater harvesting and irrigation systems, as well as a small nursery.	Koosje De Koeijer and Adelheid Ponsoen	Koosje De Koeijer and Adelheid Ponsoen (Private donors)
Oxfam Introduction to Permaculture & Homestead Gardening eThekwini Municipality, KZN	1 week: 2014	In partnership with Permaculture2012, 14 professionals from selected Community Based Organisations attended the 5-day permaculture gardening course to assist them run their food security initiatives.	Oxfam	
WesBank Food Gardens: Khula Evolution Mtubatuba Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal	3 Years: 2012 - 2014	600 beneficiaries from 4 communities now benefit from the sustainable food gardens established at their homes. The project included specially designed gardens for disabled beneficiaries, the installation of rainwater harvesting systems and on-going training and mentorship.	WesBank Fund	 FNB First National Bank
Richmond Food Gardens Richmond Municipality, KZN	1 Year: 2013 - 2014	100 individuals were trained and mentored to build and maintain 400 sustainable food gardens in Richmond Municipality. A demonstration garden was established for open days and teaching purposes, and community gardens established at schools and clinics.	NLDTF via Duzi-Umgeni Conservation Trust & The Winterskloof & World's View Conservancy	 NATIONAL LOTTERIES COMMISSION LOTTO FUNDED

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Zakhe Richmond Food Gardens Richmond Municipality, KZN	1 Year: 2012-2013	21 food gardens were established at schools and community centres and an agricultural school was refurbished.	National Lottery Distribution Trust Fund (NLDTF)	 NATIONAL LOTTERIES COMMISSION LOTTO FUNDED
Training and Mentorship in the Somkhanda Region, Zululand Municipality, KZN	6 Months: 2012	16 rural farmers were trained in the 10 day accredited ecological agriculture course & provided with equipment, materials and mentorship to develop food gardens	German Federal Foreign Office (GFFO)	
180 Food Gardens Mtubatuba Municipality, KZN	1 Year: 2012	180 individuals were trained to build and maintain sustainable food gardens in rural Mtubatuba, using permaculture and conservation agriculture methodologies.	Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, South Africa	
Mphola Village BioFarm and Food Gardens Hlabisa Municipality, KZN	2 Years: 2010 - 2012	56 individuals were trained and mentored to build and maintain a sustainable Biofarm in Mphola Village. 15,000 indigenous Marula and Wild Jacket Plums were planted, and 8 food tunnels established to provide sustainable food for 40 households.	National Lottery Distribution Trust Fund (NLDTF)	 NATIONAL LOTTERIES COMMISSION LOTTO FUNDED
Hlabisa ECD Food Tunnel, Rainwater Harvesting and Greening Project Hlabisa Municipality, KZN	2 Years: 2010 - 2012	48 individuals were trained and mentored to build and maintain food gardens at 16 Early Childhood Development (ECD) Centres. Rainwater harvesting systems were also installed at each school.	National Lottery Distribution Trust Fund (NLDTF)	 NATIONAL LOTTERIES COMMISSION LOTTO FUNDED
Food Tunnels for Schools Project Mtubatuba Municipality, KZN	2 Years: 2010 - 2012	21 schools received food tunnels and rainwater harvesting systems. Training in conservation agricultural methodologies was given to a representative from each school.	National Lottery Distribution Trust Fund (NLDTF)	 NATIONAL LOTTERIES COMMISSION LOTTO FUNDED

