

2020-2021 HIGHLIGHTS



PEOPLE:

- 100s of ECD principals and practitioners participating in Real Reform for ECD campaigns.



ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP:

- Regular workshops and training for ECD practitioners and principles.
- Human rights and water advocacy training workshop for Mncwasa community leaders and activists.



PARTNERSHIPS:

- Strong partnership with local organisations, community leaders and traditional leaders.



RESEARCH:

- Original research on ECD health and safety norms and standards commenced.
- Guest editor for the South African Journal for Human Rights Special Edition on ECD.



MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION:

- EC and Real Reform for ECD featured prominently in newspapers and on radio. Local radio show developed for EC voting campaign.
- A number of thought leadership publications.



CAMPAIGNS:

- RR4ECD: Make the Bill Better: 1270 submissions made to Parliament, 96% submitted by ECD practitioners. ECD provisions in the Bill rejected by the Portfolio Committee. Technical Team set up to develop a Second Children's Amendment Bill. EC appointed onto this Team.
- RR4ECD: Make Local Government Work for ECD: Trained over 300 ECD principals and practitioners; engaged 29 ward councilor candidates and 450 people signed onto our open letter. Key commitments made from councillors for further engagement in 2022.
- Right to water: Conducted close to 300 interviews with community members regarding the reliability of access to water. The findings lead to ADM including Mncwasa Water Scheme in an application for the Water Services Infrastructure Grant. Potential to leverage R5-8mil to refurbish the Scheme.