

OPERATION HEALING HANDS

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In 2016 a group of registered surgeons in the private sector decided to launch a Mandela day initiative to honour the legacy of former president Nelson Mandela by operating on patients desperately awaiting surgery. The hope was that this small gesture would change the lives of a few people who primarily depend on the heavily burdened South African state hospitals for relief of pain and disability.

Since 2016, this initial one-week charity drive has expanded into a full-blown Non-Profit Company. In the past 9 years, more than 1200 underprivileged patients have been given the opportunity to experience a new, fully functioning life by receiving life-changing surgery. By doing this, we empower them to be absorbed back into the working market as contributors to our country's economy.

The procedures we perform cover a wide range of disciplines, including but not limited to ophthalmology, orthopaedics, arthroplasty, general surgery, urology, gynaecology, ENT, and plastic surgery for skin cancer excisions. When the Covid-19 pandemic hit South Africa, OHH, like many institutions worldwide, had to adapt. Despite limited funds, the needs of our community remained significant, leading to the birth of our primary care projects.

In 2024, OHH reached a significant milestone by performing surgery on our 1000th patient; however, overall, more than 1988 patients have benefited from the services provided by OHH, marking a profound impact on the community.

**Your purpose
is not the
thing you do.
It is the thing
that happens
in others
when you do
what you do.**

~Jade
Simmons

READY TO DONATE?

WHY OHH IS YOUR PERFECT PARTNER

We really care about **making a difference in our country.**

We are a **Proudly South African organisation.**

All OHH patients go through an ethical-, financial- and medical screening to ensure that everyone is treated equally.

For **BEE** purposes, OHH can ring-fence donations making us qualifiable for your SED donations as at least 75% of your donation will benefit 100% black patients.

We can customise our beneficiaries according to your preferences.

OHH is a registered Public Benefit Organisation (PBO) and you will be issued with a **Section 18A tax certificate** after you have donated.

OHH is **POPIA** and PAIA compliant.

OHH is audited regularly by **external auditors** and accounts are freely available to any of our funders, at any given time.

Medico-legal coverage by **MacRobert Attorneys.**

We provide funders with both an Annual OHH- and **Personal Report** indicating whom benefitted from your donation.

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