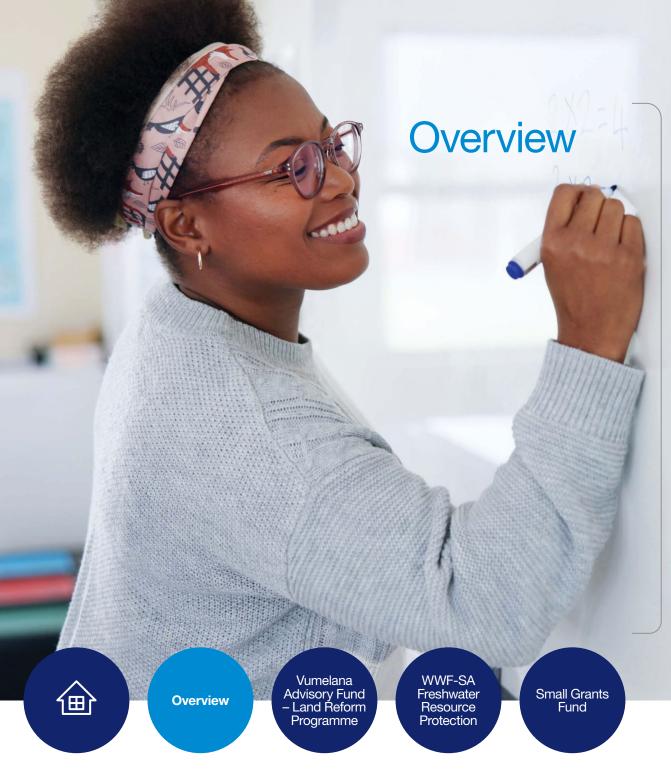
# **Auxiliary Projects**







The Sanlam Foundation's Auxiliary Projects supports developmental initiatives that lie outside our core strategic areas but align strongly with our vision for impactful community transformation.

These projects focus on:



youth development



land reform



environmental sustainability



social justice

contributing significantly to addressing inequality, unemployment, and poverty.

The Auxiliary Projects portfolio demonstrates the Sanlam Foundation's commitment to holistic community upliftment. By strategically investing in diverse, high-impact initiatives beyond our core mandates, we continue to build resilience, drive inclusion, and create sustainable development opportunities throughout South Africa.



## Vumelana Advisory Fund – Land Reform Programme

### **Objective**

To facilitate community participation in the economy by establishing viable partnerships between land-owning trusts and investors.

### **Description**

The Vumelana Advisory Fund, supported by the Foundation, supports South Africa's land reform programme by enabling commercially viable partnerships that empower beneficiaries to develop their land, unlock investment opportunities, and create sustainable jobs, income, and skills.

### **Key Highlights (2024)**



14,800 community beneficiaries (up from 867 in 2023)



Debt service arrangements structured with the Land Bank



Increased asset value and sustainable income generation

#### **Impact**

Improved livelihoods, greater economic participation, and successful implementation of land reform objectives.

WWF-SA Freshwater Resource Protection

Small Grants Fund



### WWF-SA Freshwater Programme

To protect South Africa's freshwater ecosystems while generating socio-economic benefits for local communities to people, agriculture, and industry.

In partnership with WWF-SA, this project is dedicated to clearing invasive plant species and rehabilitating vital catchment areas. By doing so, it strengthens water security for communities, agriculture, and industry. The initiative also drives local economic growth by creating jobs and



680 jobs created (up from 619 in 2023)



local SMEs contracted (up from 6 in 2023)



Increased water availability, biodiversity protection, and economic upliftment for



### **Small Grants Fund**

### **Objective**

To provide flexible financial support to grassroots NGOs tackling urgent social challenges outside the Foundation's core focus areas.

### **Description**

The Small Grants Fund offers once-off grants of up to R100,000 to non-profit organisations addressing issues such as youth development, disability inclusion, orphan care, and gender-based violence.

### **Key Highlights (2024)**







#### **Impact**

Empowerment of community-based organisations and expanded reach to vulnerable and at-risk populations.

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