

# TEENSHIELD SA

## **Mobilising Teenage Pregnancy Awareness.**

REG: 321-765 NPO

*Protecting Potential. Shaping Leaders. Building Legacy.*

## **1. About Teenshield SA**

**Teenshield SA** is a South African youth development organisation committed to equipping young people aged 10–18 with emotional resilience, leadership capacity, survival skills, and ethical grounding necessary to thrive in a complex and rapidly evolving society.

At the core of our work is a preventative and developmental approach that integrates:

- Emotional intelligence education
- Teenage pregnancy awareness mobilisation
- Gender-Based Violence (GBV) prevention
- Leadership and character formation
- Dignity restoration initiatives

Our programmes strengthen identity, accountability, courage, and purpose while building intergenerational bridges between boys, families, mentors, and communities.

## **2. Vision**

To raise a generation of emotionally intelligent, socially responsible, and purpose-driven young leaders equipped to make informed life choices and contribute meaningfully to safer, more equitable communities.

## **3. Mission**

To design and implement innovative youth programmes that:

- Mobilise teenage pregnancy awareness and prevention education
- Offer emotional intelligence as a tool to combat Gender-Based Violence
- Build resilience and survival capacity
- Strengthen father-son and mentor relationships
- Promote mental wellness and ethical leadership

- Restore dignity, direction, and cultural grounding among young people

## **4. Core Strategic Pillars**

### **4.1 Emotional Intelligence to Combat GBV**

Teenshield SA integrates structured emotional intelligence modules that teach young people to:

- Recognise and regulate emotions
- Develop empathy and respect
- Understand consent and boundaries
- Resolve conflict without aggression
- Challenge harmful gender stereotypes
- Practice responsible decision-making

By strengthening emotional literacy early, we contribute to long-term GBV prevention and healthier models of masculinity.

### **4.2 Mobilising Teenage Pregnancy Awareness**

Teenage pregnancy significantly impacts education, health, and economic mobility. Teenshield SA addresses this through:

- Preventative education workshops
- Male accountability and responsible fatherhood engagement
- School and community awareness campaigns
- Intergenerational dialogue platforms
- Youth advocacy initiatives

We move beyond awareness into behavioural responsibility and social accountability.

### **4.3 Leadership & Character Formation**

Structured workshops and camps focusing on:

- Identity and purpose discovery
- Ethical leadership
- Accountability and discipline
- Communication and conflict resolution
- Healthy masculinity frameworks

## **4.4 Survival & Outdoor Development Camps**

Experiential learning environments where participants develop:

- Practical survival skills
- Teamwork and strategic thinking
- Emotional regulation under pressure
- Physical endurance and resilience

These camps translate theory into lived confidence.

## **4.5 Father & Son Programme (Flagship Initiative)**

An intergenerational retreat experience designed to:

- Strengthen bonds between fathers (or male mentors) and sons
- Facilitate courageous conversations
- Reinforce mentorship responsibility
- Address teenage pregnancy prevention through shared accountability
- Build legacy-centred leadership

# **5. Expanded Programme Portfolio**

## **5.1 Take a Boy Child to Work Day**

A structured exposure initiative placing teenage boys in professional environments to observe:

- Workplace ethics and accountability
- Gender respect in practice
- Leadership under responsibility
- Career pathway possibilities

This programme strengthens aspiration while grounding identity and responsibility.

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## **5.2 School Uniform Drive**

A dignity restoration initiative supporting vulnerable learners with full school uniforms to:

- Reduce absenteeism
- Restore confidence and belonging

- Support academic retention
- Strengthen family stability

### **5.3 Book Drive to Promote Reading**

A literacy mobilisation programme promoting:

- Book donation campaigns
- School library support
- Reading circles
- Mentorship-based literacy engagement

Literacy strengthens thinking. Thinking strengthens leadership.

### **5.4 Career Day Initiative**

A structured career exploration platform featuring:

- Industry professional panels
- Entrepreneurship talks
- Technical and vocational showcases
- Academic and bursary guidance

Career Day expands imagination and introduces structured planning for the future.

### **5.5 Sanitary Pad Drive**

A menstrual dignity and gender equity initiative that:

- Addresses period poverty
- Reduces absenteeism among girls
- Promotes health and hygiene awareness
- Integrates empathy education for boys
- Supports GBV prevention conversations

Dignity and development are inseparable.

## **6. Programme Model**

Teenshield SA delivers impact through:

- Immersive retreats and camps
- Weekend leadership intensives
- School-based workshops
- Community dialogues
- Workplace immersion programmes
- Accredited Skills Development Modules (in partnership with relevant SETAs and institutional bodies)

Programmes are developed in collaboration with educators, psychologists, social development practitioners, and community leaders to ensure measurable, scalable, and sustainable impact.

## 7. Strategic Alignment

Teenshield SA aligns with:

- South Africa's National Youth Development Framework
- National Strategic Plan on GBV and Femicide
- SDG 3 – Good Health & Well-being
- SDG 4 – Quality Education
- SDG 5 – Gender Equality
- SDG 16 – Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions

We work alongside government, private sector stakeholders, NPOs, and faith-based institutions to scale preventative youth interventions nationally.

## 8. Why Teenshield SA?

South Africa faces interconnected youth challenges:

- Rising teenage pregnancy rates
- Gender-Based Violence
- Fatherlessness
- Substance abuse risks
- School dropout
- Identity and mental health pressures

Teenshield SA addresses root causes, not just symptoms.

We do not simply motivate.

We structure growth.

We build accountability ecosystems.

We shape character before crisis.

## 9. Impact Goals (2026–2028)

- Reach 2,000+ youth through structured leadership and awareness programmes
- Establish regional Father & Son chapters
- Train 100+ community mentors in EI and GBV prevention
- Develop accredited youth leadership and emotional intelligence modules
- Expand national partnerships for workplace immersion initiatives

## 10. Partnerships & Collaboration

Teenshield SA collaborates with:

- Schools and educational institutions
- Community organisations and NPOs
- Faith-based institutions
- Corporate CSI divisions
- Youth advocacy groups
- SETA-aligned training providers
- Healthcare and social development stakeholders

We welcome sponsorship, programme partnerships, and co-development opportunities to scale sustainable youth impact.

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