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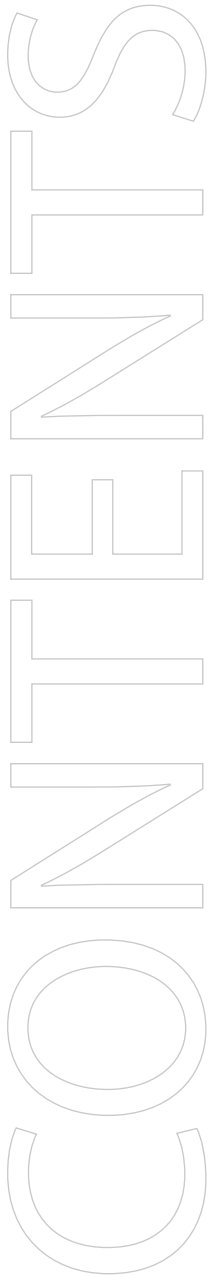


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Acronyms

AFFIRM	Africa Focus on Intervention Research for Mental Health
AusAID	Australian Agency for International Development
BBBEE	Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment
CSDA	Centre for Social Development in Africa
CSI	Corporate Social Investment
CSG	Child Support Grant
DBSA	Development Bank Southern Africa
DFAT	Australian Department for Foreign Affairs and Trade
DFID	UK Department for International Development
DoHET	Department of Higher Education and Training
DPSA	Disabled People South Africa
DSD	Department of Social Development
IBSS	International Bibliography of the Social Sciences
IFS	International Foundation for Science
ILO	International Labour Organization
ISI	Institute for Scientific Information
JPLS	Johannesburg Poverty and Livelihoods Study
NACOSS	National Council of Social Services
NGO	Non-governmental organisation
NPOs	Non-profit organisations
NRF	National Research Foundation
NYDA	National Youth Development Agency
OSF	Open Society Foundation
OVC	Orphaned and Vulnerable Children
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SANPAD	South Africa-Netherlands Research Programme on Alternatives in Development
TBF	Tiger Brands Foundation
UCT	University of Cape Town
UJ	University of Johannesburg
UNRISD	United Nations Research Institute for Social Development
VOSESA	Volunteer Service Enquiry Southern Africa
WHO	World Health Organisation

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Sponsors

We have received support for various projects in 2013 from:

- Australian Department for Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) [Previously Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)]
- British Academy
- Faculty of Humanities Research Committee, UJ
- Ford Foundation
- International Labor Organisation (ILO)
- Liberty Group Ltd
- National Research Foundation (NRF)
- Open Society Foundation (OSF)
- University Research Committee, UJ

Partners

Over the past ten years, we have collaborated with colleagues from a wide range of organisations:

- Aarhus University, Denmark
- Ackermann Pick n Pay Foundation
- Association of Schools of Social Work in Africa
- AV Africa
- British Academy
- Brookings Institute
- Brown University, USA
- Burundi Red Cross Society
- Business Map Foundation
- Care SA
- Center for Social Development, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, USA
- Central Gauteng Mental Health Society
- Childwatch International Research Network
- City of Johannesburg
- City Year
- Corporate Social Investment & Division of Advancement, UJ
- Department of Anthropology and Development Studies, UJ
- Department of Politics, UJ
- Department of Psychology, UJ
- Department of Public Governance, UJ
- Department of Rural Development and Land Reform
- Department of Social Work, UJ
- Department of Sociology, UJ
- Development Bank of Southern Africa
- DFAT (Australian Department for Foreign Affairs and Trade)
- Disabled People South Africa
- Erfurt University of Applied Sciences, Germany
- Etafeni Fit for Life, Fit for Work
- Ethiopian Red Cross Society
- Faculty of Humanities Research Committee, UJ
- Ford Foundation
- Friedrich Ebert Stiftung
- Gauteng Welfare Forum

- Harambee
- Hong Kong University
- Instituto Promundo-DC, Brazil
- International Association of Schools of Social Work
- International Labour Organization (ILO) & World Health Organization's (WHO) National Social Protection Floor Initiative, Geneva
- Jabulani Technical Skills Development
- Kenyan Red Cross Society
- Liberty Group Ltd
- London School of Economics, UK
- London South Bank University, UK
- LoveLife
- Malawian Red Cross Society
- Mali Red Cross Society
- Murray and Roberts
- Namibian Red Cross Society
- National Council of Social Services (NACOSS)
- National University of Lesotho
- National Research Foundation (NRF)
- Nelson Mandela Children's Fund
- Nordic Africa Institute, Sweden
- National Youth Development Agency (NYDA)
- Open Society Foundation (OSF)
- Postgraduate Centre, UJ
- Queens University, Belfast, Ireland
- Regional Psychosocial Support Initiative (REPSSI)
- Sonke Gender Justice Network
- Soul City
- Soul City Institute for Health and Development Communication
- South Africa Netherlands Research Programme on Alternatives to Development (SANPAD)
- South African Social Security Agency (SASSA)
- Southampton University, UK
- Sudanese Red Crescent Society
- Swedish Red Cross Society
- Tiger Brands Foundation
- TYME Capital
- Ugandan Red Cross Society

- UK Department for International Development (DFID)
- UN Development Programme Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, New York
- UNICEF South Africa
- United Nations Development Programme Special Unit for South-South Cooperation
- United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD)
- United Nations Volunteers
- University of Basel, Switzerland
- University of Bedfordshire, UK
- University of Botswana
- University of California, Berkeley, USA
- University of Chicago, School of Social Service Administration, USA
- University of Kwazulu-Natal
- University of Malawi
- University of Missouri, USA
- University of Illinois, USA
- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, USA
- University of Pretoria
- University of the Western Cape
- University of the Witwatersrand
- University of Zimbabwe
- University Research Committee, UJ
- United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, Geneva, Switzerland
- Utrecht University, The Netherlands
- Volunteer and Service Enquiry Southern Africa (Vosesa)
- Xstrata Coal
- Youth Build Umtshezi
- Zimbabwean Red Cross Society

Advisory Board

The CSDA has an advisory board that provides strategic advice and guidance on CSDA initiatives. The board meets annually. Individual members are consulted on an ad hoc basis as required. The advisory board members are:

- Prof Angela Mathee, Director, Environment and Health Research, Medical Research Council
- Ms Carol Bews, Assistant Director, Johannesburg Child Welfare Society
- Ms Hanlie Van Dyk-Robertson, Chief Executive Officer, African Management Development Institutes Network.
- Mr Ferdi Van Der Walt, Strategic Support: Research and Innovation, UJ

- Ms Helene Perold, Executive Director, VOSESA
- Prof Jean Triegaardt, Head, Department of Social Work, UJ
- Prof Marius Olivier, Director, International Institute for Social Law and Policy
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- Prof Rory Ryan, Executive Dean, Faculty of Humanities, UJ
- Prof Ronel Johl, Current Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, UJ
- Prof Shireen Hassim, Department of Political Studies, University of the Witwatersrand
- Prof Shireen Motala, Director, Postgraduate Centre, UJ
- Prof Thea de Wet, Director, Centre for Culture and Language, UJ
- Dr William Rowland, Honorary President, South African National Council for the Blind and Disabled People South Africa

Director's Report

The CSDA celebrates 10 years of research excellence

The Centre was launched in 2004 with the aim of contributing to improvements in service delivery, policy debate and the expansion of cutting-edge disciplinary and interdisciplinary research. Since then, the Centre has established itself as a leading applied research centre pursuing knowledge, application and innovation in an African context.

Centre research projects are concerned with pressing social development issues in the City of Johannesburg, in South Africa, Africa and beyond. Over the past decade, the CSDA's research output has increased immensely. Our successful partnership model of research ensures that the findings directly inform social development policies and programmes. All our projects are directly connected with improving the human condition through building knowledge, innovation and application. This occurs in partnership with communities, civil society, government, Corporate Social Responsibility, donor and development agencies and academics and their institutions. Seminars and lectures presented by the CSDA are well attended and provide a space for engagement with stakeholders and the wider public. The CSDA's media footprint is growing which brings greater visibility to what we do. More and more people are accessing our website and resources and through these avenues, we actively promote a scholarship of engagement.

Over the years, we have been able to attract high quality national and international scholars associated with the various research endeavours of the CSDA. Their involvement in our work has boosted our research output and capability. In addition, postgraduate students and Post-Doctoral Fellows have access to excellent mentoring opportunities and hence they seek out the centre as a site for postgraduate studies. In 2013, we graduated three Doctoral students, one Master's student who graduated with distinction, two Master's exchange students from Utrecht University who also graduated with Honours and ten BA Honours students who completed their research on Centre projects. We currently have six Doctoral students and five master's students registered in various departments in the Faculty of Humanities and the Department of Economics and Econometrics at UJ.

The CSDA contributes significantly to the UJ's goal of being a leading research site internationally. Our international activities include partnerships with international scholars in grant applications for comparative national studies; the hosting of symposia, the production of joint publications; guest editing of special issues of local and international journals and the hosting of Post-Doctoral Fellows, exchange students and faculty. In 2014, Prof Patel was accorded the honour of being the Helen Harris Pearlman Visiting Professor of International Social Welfare at the School of Social Administration, University of Chicago.

Our achievements are due largely to a dedicated team made up of our staff, students and fellows who have been associated with us. A special vote of thanks goes to Professors Ryan, Posthumous, Johl, Habib and Van der Merwe for their support over the years, as well as Prof Roux Botha, the former Vice Chancellor of the Rand Afrikaans University who supported the idea of establishing the Centre.

I am most grateful to Prof Ihron Rensburg, the Vice Chancellor of UJ and the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Prof Marwala for their ongoing support and commitment to the work that we do. The CSDA has also received generous funding from a range of local and international donors including Corporate Social investment sponsors for our research projects for which we are most grateful. We look back with pride at our achievements. As the Centre grows, we need to ensure that this growth is sustainable and that we continue to build on our successes and learn from our disappointments and challenges.

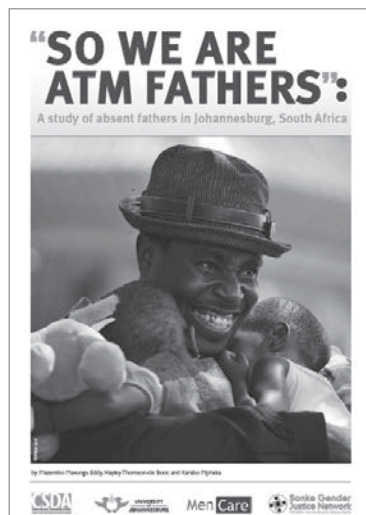
We will continue with our current research focus areas in poverty and vulnerability, social protection, children and youth, social welfare and social development policy and state, citizen and private sector partnerships for development. This coming year we will launch a three year research programme on youth assets and employability supported by the Ford Foundation. During the year, we will be launching our research on poverty and disability and the voting behaviour of grant beneficiaries and we hope to continue our collaboration with Southern African Social Protection Experts Network (SASPEN) to build regional research networks in Africa.



CSDA staff: Back (left to right): Anton Pillay, Mazembo Mavungu, Edson Munsaka, Mrs Debbie Apetauer, Dr Lauren Graham,
Middle (left to right): Zoheb Khan, Prof Leila Patel, Jacqueline Moodley,
Front (left to right): Prof Eleanor Ross, Zenobia Ismail, Tessa Hochfeld, Dr Moreblessing Sithole Tinarwo

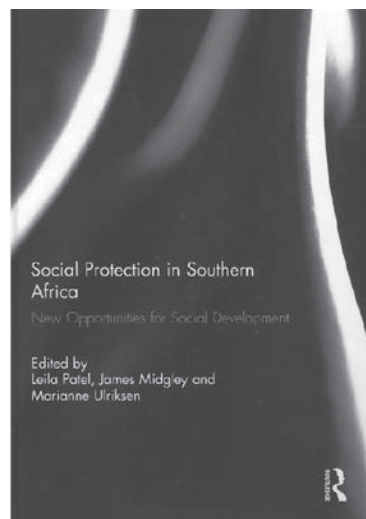
Research Highlights over the past decade:

Some of our key research highlights over the past ten years are:



A study of absent Fathers (2013)

The November 2013 report launch of the CSDA study titled *A Study of Absent Fathers in Johannesburg* garnered a great deal of media attention, especially on radio talk shows. This study gathered data on the views of men on the meaning of fatherhood in the context of a high incidence of absent fathers in the lives of children. The findings were disseminated through a media campaign on Father's Day 2012 which generated considerable debate in the media and on Twitter.



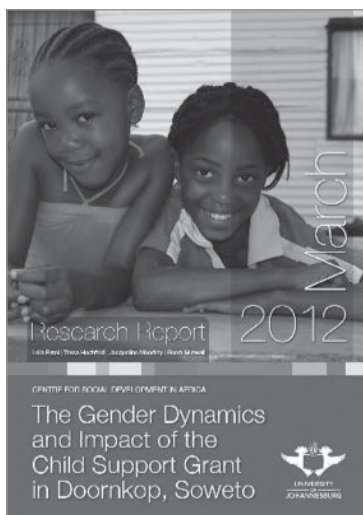
Publication of a book on "Social Protection in Southern Africa: New Opportunities for Social Development" (2013)

The year 2013 saw the publication of a book (*Social Protection in Southern Africa: New Opportunities for Social Development*) by Routledge edited by Leila Patel, James Midgley and Marianne Ulriksen, as well as a special issue of the journal *Development Southern Africa*. These two publications flowed from an international symposium convened on "Social Protection in Southern Africa: New Opportunities for Social Development" on 24-25 May 2011 by the CSDA. The symposium promoted South-South cooperation, dialogue, innovation and learning on how best to apply successful social protection policies and practices in an African context.



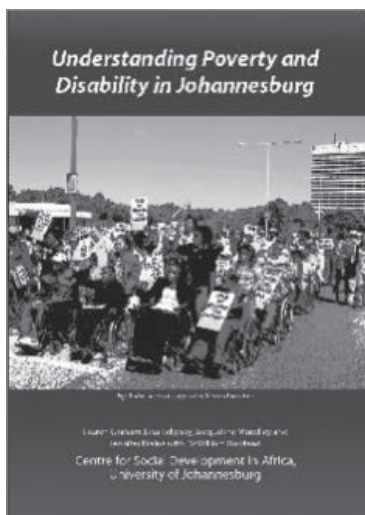
Volunteering in Africa: An overview of volunteer effort in Africa and its potential to contribute to development (2013)

The findings of a CSDA background paper and in-country studies conducted in collaboration with the Swedish Red Cross were made available in early 2013 at the Red Cross Red Crescent Pan African Conference from the 19-22 October 2012 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The initiative was requested and funded by the Swedish Red Cross and forms part of a larger effort to understand volunteering in Africa, which included four in-country studies namely Zimbabwe, Ethiopia, Uganda and Sudan.



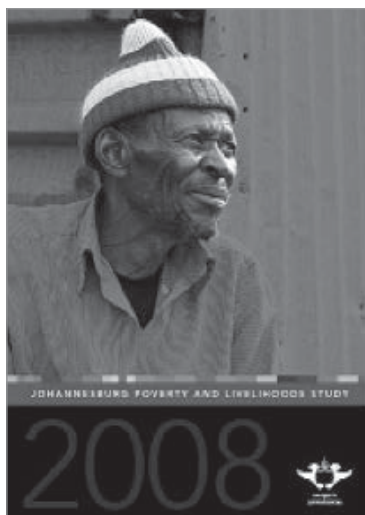
The Gender Dynamics and impact of the CSG in Doornkop, Soweto (2012)

This project investigated the impact of the Child Support Grant (CSG) on households in Doornkop, Soweto, and was funded through a multi-year grant from SANPAD. A research report on this study was released in March 2012 with substantial media coverage which generated public debate about the positive impacts of the Child Support Grant.



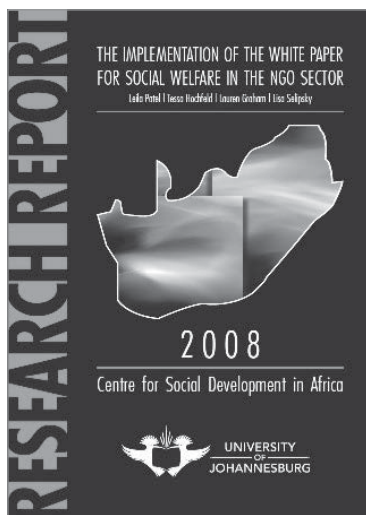
Poverty and disability in Johannesburg (2010)

In 2010, a study of the link between poverty and disability (funded by the UK Department for International Development (DFID) was concluded. This study shed light on the link between poverty and disability for people living in some of Johannesburg's poorest wards. The report titled "Poverty and disability in Johannesburg" was launched in May 2010 and received extensive media coverage.



The Johannesburg Poverty and Livelihoods Study (2008)

The Johannesburg Poverty and Livelihoods Study (JPLS) released by the CSDA in September 2008 placed the spotlight on eight of the city's most deprived communities. The study launch had excellent national media coverage. The research findings continue to be used by officials in ward level community development planning and in monitoring impacts.



Implementation of the White Paper for Social Welfare in the NGO sector (2008)

This research remains one of the few studies on the implementation of the White Paper for Social Welfare in the NGO sector in South Africa. The findings were widely disseminated in 2008 to governmental forums and NGOs nationally. It resulted in the publication of four journal articles and a research report. The findings are particularly valuable as the Minister for Social Development has mandated a review of the 1997 White Paper headed by Prof Vivienne Taylor of UCT. Prof Patel from the Centre and Prof Triegaardt from our Advisory Board were invited to be part of the committee tasked with the review.

ASASWEI Conference (2007)

In September 2007 the CSDA and the Department of Social Work hosted the annual conference on behalf of the Association of South African Social Work Educational Institutions (ASASWEI). The conference theme was "Ten Years On - Challenges and Innovation in Developmental Social Welfare". The late Dr Jean Swanson-Jacobs, the former Deputy Minister of Social Development, Zackie Achmat, from the Treatment Action Campaign, and Aadeilah Maker, from Soul City, were our keynote speakers.

Development of the National Youth Policy

In 2007, Prof Patel and Dr Lauren Graham acted in an advisory capacity to the Executive Director of Vosesa, Helene Perold, on the Development of the National Youth Policy and in particular on the section on social cohesion. The policy was developed for the National Youth Commission in the Office of the President.

Journal Editorship

This year, Prof Patel, Prof Midgley and Dr Marianne Ulriksen were the guest editors of a special issue of the journal *Social Protection in Southern Africa: New Opportunities for Social Development*.

In 2012, CSDA staff member Tessa Hochfeld and Prof Vivienne Bozalek from the University of the Western Cape co-edited a special issue of the *Social Work Practitioner-Researcher* titled 'A Gender Lens on Social Work: Views from the South'.

Also in 2012, Prof Patel and CSDA Visiting Professor for 2012 Prof Trudie Knijn guest edited the special issue of the *Journal of Social Policy and Administration*, which is one of the oldest journals of social policy internationally.



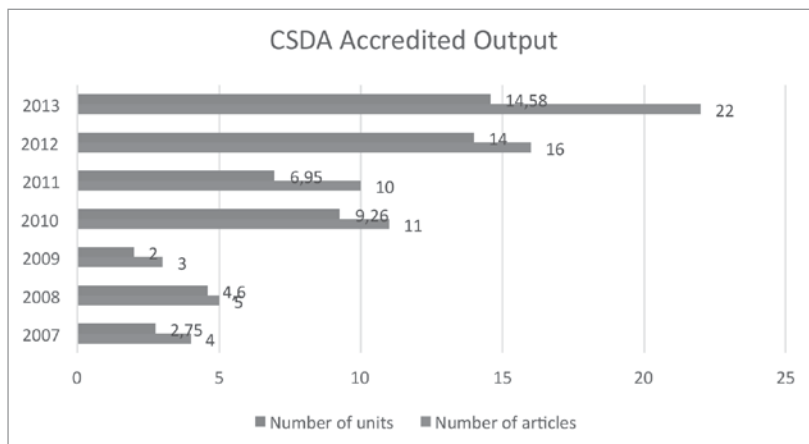
The Social Work Practitioner-Researcher is an accredited, refereed, interdisciplinary journal for social workers and service professionals concerned with the advancement of social work and social development. The CSDA's Prof Patel and Tessa Hochfeld were, respectively, the editor and assistant editor of the journal from 2006 to 2009.

In 2008, Prof Patel and Prof Antoinette Lombard from the University of Pretoria co-edited a special issue of *The Social Work Practitioner-Researcher* titled 'Ten Years On: Challenges and Innovation in Developmental Social Welfare'.

Prof Patel and Prof Rodreck Mupedziswa, who is the Head of the Department of Social Work at the University of Botswana, were joint editors of a special edition of the journal *The Social Work Practitioner Researcher*. The theme of the special issue was titled: 'Research Partnerships Build the Service Field in Africa: Special Issue on Civic Service in the Southern African Development Community'. The special issue was sponsored jointly by Volunteer and Service Enquiry Southern Africa; The Social Work Practitioner-Researcher; and the Journal of Social Development in Africa March 2007.

Research Output

The CSDA's accredited research output increased dramatically over the years. As an example, our accredited output generated 2,75 units in 2007, compared to 14.58 units in 2013. Accredited publications are peer-reviewed journals that are recognised by the Department of Higher Education and Training and international scientific citation indices.



Helen Joseph Memorial Lecture

2013: The Centre's Prof Patel presented the lecture this year, titled *Do social grants create more problems than they solve?*

Previous Lectures

2012: Advocate Thuli Madonsela, the Public Protector, gave a lecture titled *'Following in the Footsteps of Helen Joseph: The Place of South African Women Leaders in our Democracy'*.

2011: Dr Gary Barker is the International Director of Instituto Promundo-DC, an NGO involved with engaging men in gender equity, health and the reduction of violence and conflict in Latin America, the United States, sub-Saharan Africa and Asia. Dr Barker's lecture was titled *'Men and Gender Equality: Between the Urgency and the Confusion'*.

2010: Dr Shahra Razavi, a Senior Researcher at the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, gave a lecture titled *'Worlds apart: Rethinking care in a development context'*.

2009: Dr Kumi Naidoo, Honorary President of Civicus, spoke on *'Rethinking civil society, democracy and development: a global perspective'*.

2008: Former Minister of Education and Water Affairs and a Member of Parliament, Professor Kader Asmal, spoke on *'Law, morality and ethics in public life in South Africa'*.

2007: The lecture was given by Prof Francis Lund, and was titled: *'Building Welfare for Development: Social Security Reform In South Africa'*.

Staff

The CSDA's full time staff complement is made up of a Director, two researchers, and an administrator who are funded by the University of Johannesburg. In addition, we employ part-time research staff and student assistants; our full-time post-doctoral fellows are also funded by the University. The CSDA benefits from relationships with distinguished academics and researchers in the form of an Honorary Professor, 2 Visiting Professors, research fellows and associates, as well as NRF interns and post graduate students who are all engaged in research projects connected with the CSDA.

Director



*Centre director
Prof Leila Patel*

Leila Patel is a Professor of Social Development Studies at UJ. She was previously head of the Department of Social Work, director-general of the national Department of Social Welfare and deputy vice-chancellor and vice-principal of the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg. She played a leading role in the development of South Africa's welfare policy after apartheid. She is an established researcher of national standing. Her research interests are social welfare, social work, corporate social responsibility, social policy, social security, children and youth, and gender and social development. Prof Patel was the 2013 Helen Harris Perlman Visiting Professor of International Social Welfare at the School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago.

Researchers

Tessa Hochfeld has been at the CSDA for the past 8 years where she has been involved in research in various projects both as a team member and project leader. Her research interests include social welfare, social policy, social protection and gender and development. She obtained her Master's degree in gender and development from the London School of Economics in 2000 and her Bachelor's degree in social work from the University of the Witwatersrand in 1995. She is studying towards a doctoral degree on the impact of the Child Support Grant on intra-household relationships and is currently at the CSDA part time.

Dr Lauren Graham is a development sociologist and has been at the CSDA for 6 years. She obtained her Master's degree with distinction from the University of the Witwatersrand in 2008 and her PhD from the University of Johannesburg in 2012. At the CSDA, she is responsible for research on youth development, and poverty and disability studies but she has a keen interest in a range of research areas in the field of social development. In 2012, she completed her Doctorate on young people's negotiation of risk in their everyday identity-work. Lauren is a full-time senior researcher at the CSDA.

Aislinn Delany obtained her second Master's degree in poverty and development from the Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, in 2011. She has 13 years of experience as an applied social researcher in the development field. Her research interests include issues of poverty and inequality, social protection and early childhood development. Aislinn recently joined the CSDA as a full-time researcher.

Jacqueline Moodley is a research psychologist and has been at the CSDA for 5 years. She obtained her Master's degree from the University of Johannesburg, focusing on poverty and mental health of Sowetan women. Jacqueline is involved in a number of research projects at the CSDA, including poverty and disability, youth development and monitoring and evaluation studies.

Zenobia Ismail joined the CSDA in October 2012 on a part-time basis. Prior to this she completed a second MSc in African Studies at the University of Oxford. She has several years of experience as a quantitative and qualitative researcher and assisted the Centre with a range of projects including the Poverty and Disability study. Ms Ismail is currently studying for a PhD at University of Manchester.

Dr Marguerite Schneider joined the CSDA in 2011. She was the lead researcher on the DFAT funded National Study on Poverty and Disability until May 2013. Margie is the AFFIRM project manager at the Alan J Flischer Centre for Public Mental Health at the University of Cape Town. She has completed her PhD on the measurement and assessment of disability for disability statistics. Her work broadly spans the field of disability studies and includes working in a range of African and other countries on social protection programmes.

Junior Researchers

Zoheb Khan has been at the CSDA since July 2013. He obtained his Master's degree in development management from Ruhr University Bochum (Germany) in 2011 and his Bachelor's degree in politics, philosophy and economics from the University of Cape Town in 2007. He is a full-time researcher at the Centre and will be commencing his doctoral studies in 2014, with his research looking at the male beneficiaries of South Africa's Child Support Grant.

Administrator

Faatima Mahomed obtained her B.Admin degree at the University of the Free State in 1997. She joined the CSDA in August 2013 and is responsible for all the administrative and financial functions of the centre.

Communications Specialist

Keolebogile Mbebe joined the CSDA staff as the Centre's communications specialist in October 2013. Her role involves managing the Centre's internal and external communications, organizing the Centre's events, as well as coordinating

the Centre's website and database. She has a Master's degree (distinction) in Philosophy from the University of Johannesburg and has worked as a journalist for a national newspaper, City Press.

Research Interns

Reem Mutwali has been at the CSDA on a part-time basis and is a PhD student on the Poverty and Disability study. In 2008, she completed her MSc at the University of the Western Cape. Reem conducts statistical analysis on various research projects at the CSDA.

Karabo Mphaka joined the CSDA as an NRF-funded intern in 2012. He completed his Honours degree in the Department of Politics at UJ, and has worked on many CSDA projects.

Awethu Mpepanduku joined the CSDA in March 2013, where she has been assisting in research in various projects. She completed her Honours degree in Public Management and Governance in 2013. Her research interests include youth development and gender and development.

Anton Pillay joined the CSDA as an NRF-funded intern in 2013. He is a graduate of the University of Cape Town and University of South Africa. He is an MA candidate at the Department of Politics at UJ. His research interests include political and economic philosophy and African politics.

Post-Doctoral Fellows

Our post-doctoral fellows are principally engaged in publishing off their Doctoral research. They also assist with research mentorship of post graduate students and provide research support on our various projects.

Dr Eddy Mazembo Mavungu was appointed in April 2011 on a full-time basis. His PhD, from the University of the Witwatersrand, was titled "Frontiers of prosperity and power: explaining provincial boundary disputes in post-apartheid South Africa". He has been responsible for the CSDA research on the meaning of fatherhood among men in urban areas in Johannesburg.

Dr Westen Kwatemba Shilaho holds a PhD in Political Science from the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg. His thesis was titled "The Role of Ethnicity in Kenya's Transition from Single Party to Political Pluralism (1992-2007)". He joined the CSDA in September 2012 as a researcher and was later appointed as a Post-Doctoral Fellow. He left the CSDA in May 2013 to pursue other interests.

Dr Moreblessing Sithole Tinarwo joined the CSDA in November 2012 as a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow. She holds a PhD in Applied Social Sciences from Durham University, United Kingdom and her thesis was titled "Making Britain 'Home': Zimbabwean Social Workers' Experiences of Migrating To and Working in a British City". She has a

Masters degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Pretoria. Her research interests are in migration and development, and social and economic issues that centre on empowering the disadvantaged in society.

Dr Edson Munsaka joined the CSDA in 2013. He comes from a teaching background, with a specialisation in teaching children with learning disabilities. He has a Master's degree in disaster management and sustainable development from the University Northumbria (UK) and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Sociology and Social Policy from the University of Durham (UK). He has been involved in research in poverty and disability projects. His research interests include disability rights, special needs education, social policy, disaster resilience, gender and development.

Research Associates

In order to strengthen research capacity in the Centre, we have a number of research fellows and associates linked to the CSDA. Some of the appointments are of a short-term nature while others are for a three-year period. These appointments are of a non-remunerative nature unless project funding is secured. The research fellows and the visiting/honorary professors provide high-quality support to the various research projects and in the mentorship of young researchers. They also deliver seminars and collaborate with us in various research and publishing initiatives. The Centre enjoys the ad hoc collaboration of paid research associates in a consultancy capacity.

Honorary Professor

Prof James Midgley, a former South African and a distinguished international scholar was appointed Honorary Professor in Social Development in the Faculty of Humanities. He currently holds the Riva and Harry Specht chair at the School of Social Welfare, Berkeley, University of California. He plays an advisory and mentoring role, supporting young researchers in their publishing endeavours.

Visiting Professors

Prof Eleanor Ross has had a long and distinguished career in academia. She is the former head of the Department of Social Work at the University of the Witwatersrand, is widely published and has successfully supervised over ninety post graduate students. Prof Ross was appointed Visiting Professor at the CSDA in 2011 for a period of three years. At the CSDA she provides supervision and mentoring support to young researchers and is engaged in academic publishing.

Prof Trudie Knijn is Professor of Interdisciplinary Social Science and Director of the research programme *Social Policy and Intervention Studies* at Utrecht University. Since 2013 she is Visiting Professor in the Faculty of Humanities of the University of Johannesburg. The CSDA has hosted 10 students from Utrecht University through our partnership agreement.

Research Fellows

Dr William Rowland holds a PhD from the University of Cape Town. He is currently the manager of resource mobilisation and public relations at the South African Disability Development Trust, of which he was formerly the chief executive officer. Dr Rowland is also president of the World Blind Union, Chairperson of the International Disability Alliance, a member of the United Nations panel of experts on disability, and honorary life president of both Disabled People South Africa and the South African National Council for the Blind. He is also a member of the Council of UJ.

Dr Marianne S. Ulriksen was an NRF funded post-doctoral fellow and has been at the CSDA since April 2010. Her research interests include: Comparative politics, political economy of welfare policy development, social protection, poverty and inequality, and comparative country studies in Southern Africa. She has a PhD, from the University of Aarhus, Denmark, for a thesis titled: "Politics, Policy and Poverty in Botswana, Mauritius and other developing countries".

Dr Jeanette Schmid joined the CSDA as a visiting research fellow in 2008. She is based in Switzerland and is engaged in collaborative research and publishing with the CSDA. She obtained her PhD from the Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada, in 2008. Her dissertation was titled "The Story of South African Child Welfare: A History of the Present." Currently, her research and publishing focuses on critical approaches in child welfare, locally and globally.

Dr Lara Allen obtained her PhD in ethnomusicology from Cambridge University, UK. She was reappointed as a CSDA research fellow in 2012 and is based in Ireland.

Dr Sophie Plagerson joined the CSDA in 2009 as a post-doctoral fellow and has since been appointed a senior research fellow. She completed her PhD at the London School of Health and Tropical Medicine in the United Kingdom. Sophie's PhD is titled: "The Relationship between Child Support Grants and Common Mental Disorders in South Africa".

Dr Aisha Hutchinson is a research fellow at the CSDA and the University of Bedfordshire, UK, where she is based. She completed her PhD at the University of Southampton in 2009, which explored the coping strategies of young women in Mozambique during unintended pregnancy.

Dr Shaheda Omar is the Head of Therapeutic Services at The Teddy Bear Clinic. Her PhD was titled: "A Study of Child-on-Child Sexual Abuse of Children under 12 Years". She is a highly recognized practitioner in the field of child abuse.

Dr. Benjamin Lough joined CSDA as a senior research associate in 2013. He is based at the University of Illinois in the USA and works collaboratively with the CSDA on projects related to international volunteer service and youth employment. He gained his PhD from Washington University in St. Louis. His research and teaching agenda is focused on civic engagement, volunteer service, and voluntary sector organizations.

Dr Thérèse Sacco is a senior research associate attached to the CSDA. She works in Johannesburg with refugees, migrants, foreign nationals and young people located on the margins of South African society. She gained her doctorate in 2011 from St Augustine (Catholic University in South Africa). Her research and writing focus on social transformation, spirituality, reconciliation and qualitative research inquiry.

Dr. Lucy Jordan joined the CSDA as a senior research associate in 2013. She is currently Assistant Professor of Social Policy at the University of Hong Kong, Department of Social Work and Social Administration. Her research focuses on social policy and development, family and youth studies and migration and immigration using a comparative approach. She is currently co-principal investigator with Professor Leila Patel of the CSDA on a British Academy grant (2013-2015) focusing on urban youth and risk perception.

Dr Gina Chowa joined the CSDA as a research associate in 2013. She is currently Assistant Professor at University of Carolina's School of Social Work, Chapel Hill. She attained her PhD from George Warren Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in 2008. Her dissertation was titled: The Impact of an Asset-Building Intervention on Rural Households in Sub-Saharan Africa. Her research interests lie in International social development, youth workforce and asset development, and financial inclusion.

The year in review

Research Programmes

Programme 1: Gender and Development

A study of absent fathers: meaning, causes, consequences and social dynamics



Dr Mazembo Mavungu has been the project leader of the CSDA's research on absent fathers.

This research was the fruit of collaboration between the Centre for Social Development in Africa (CSDA) and Sonke Gender Justice Network. This study specifically provided a platform for the voices of absent fathers and aimed to elicit from them new insights on their conceptions of fatherhood; the possible causes of widespread father absence; the perceived consequences of this absence; and possible remedies. Conducted under the leadership of Dr Eddy Mavungu, the project began in May 2011 and was completed on 7 November 2013 with the launch of the research report titled: *"So we are ATM fathers: a study of absent fathers in Johannesburg, South Africa"*. The full research report can be downloaded from the CSDA website.

Sociological Study of Teenage Mothers and the Child Support Grant

Nhlanhla Jordan, a SANPAD doctoral bursary recipient, is currently pursuing her PhD in the Department of Sociology, UJ. She is examining the question whether the CSG has any benefits for teenage mothers who are the recipients of the grant. The research will be informed by the manner in which teenage mothers use the grant in order to determine whether they are being empowered and whether their children's well-being improves. Her study is therefore located within the poverty debate and the teenage-mothers' experiences of the child support grant and uses a gender lens. Jordan is now writing up her study and plans to submit her dissertation in the first half of 2014.

Cash Transfers and Social Transformation in poor households

This project is being conducted by Tessa Hochfeld for her PhD in Development Studies at Wits University. The overall aim of this research is to enhance our understanding regarding the social impact of the CSG in poor households in Johannesburg in order to refine social policy and contribute to the development of theory on social protection's impact on gender, intra-household relations and decision-making. The research is being conducted in Sophiatown, Johannesburg, and is qualitative in nature. The research is due to be completed in mid-2014.

Programme 2: Poverty and vulnerability

National Study on Poverty and Disability

Following the release of the CSDA's Johannesburg Poverty and Disability study in 2010, members of the disability rights movement called for a national study on the links between poverty and disability—one that would also assess the extent to which gender, race and other socio-economic factors shaped outcomes for disabled people. Thanks to the efforts of Dr William Rowland, the CSDA was able to secure funding from the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) for a two and half year national project focusing on this issue. The study commenced midway in 2011 and was completed at the end of 2013. The study addressed issues of employment, income, access to basic services, education, quality of life and social capital. The final report will be launched in early 2014.

Mental Health and Homelessness in Johannesburg

The study, conducted by Unotida Moyo for a Master's degree in Social Work, began in 2009 as a pilot study by the Central Gauteng Mental Health Society. This qualitative, ethnographic study was conducted because mental health professionals from the Central Gauteng Mental Health Society did not know how to assist and support clients who were living on the streets of Hillbrow, Johannesburg. Interviews and observations were conducted with homeless mentally ill persons, homeless persons and service providers. The results reflected the failure of socio-economic policies and the need for services to address the special needs and rights of homeless mentally ill persons living on the streets. The study was completed in January 2013.



Some of the people who have made the streets of Hillbrow their home.

Poverty and mental health

Jacqueline Moodley completed this research to fulfil the requirements of an MSc in Research Psychology at UJ. The study explored the relationship between mental health and socio-demographic variables among women in Doornkop, Soweto. Conducted in a scarce resource context, the research also aimed to identify the protective factors that promote mental well-being in women's lives. Ms Moodley graduated in 2013 and is currently publishing off her research.

Programme 3: Children and Youth

Youth in Transition: Risk and Identity

The Centre for Social Development in Africa partnered with the University of Southampton and the Demography and Population Unit at the University of the Witwatersrand to embark on a study aimed at developing more socio-culturally appropriate ways of effectively assessing youth risk perception.

The study aims to look at what qualitative data reveal about the priorities that young people themselves face in making risk calculations, and determining effective ways of measuring this aspect in large scale surveys. The partnership also involves inter- and intra-country capacity building in participatory and narrative methodologies, as well as demographic and statistical methods. The partnership is funded through a three year grant from the British Academy.

In July 2013 the CSDA hosted the first meeting of this partnership in which all parties were involved in developing a draft conceptual framework for the study. In attendance at the meeting were colleagues from the Demography and Population Unit at Wits University as well as Dr Lucy Jordan from the University of Hong Kong and Dr Amos Channon from the University of Southampton. The meeting also provided an opportunity for CSDA staff members and affiliated students to benefit from training in statistical methods run by Dr Channon from the University of Southampton. In November Ms Moodley and Mr Zoheb Khan had the opportunity to participate in the second meeting of the partnership which was hosted at the University of Southampton.

Youth assets for employability

Youth in South Africa are at least twice as likely to be unemployed compared with adults over 30 years of age. As young people transitioning from adolescence to young adulthood, they require opportunities to help them successfully assume adult economic and social responsibilities.

This year the CSDA was awarded a planning grant from the Ford Foundation to prepare for a large-scale national experimental research project aimed at assessing the impact of youth development interventions in enhancing youth economic inclusion (access to post-secondary education and training, employability, entrepreneurship, and the development of dignified livelihoods). Ultimately the purpose of the study will be to inform large scale programmatic interventions aimed at assisting young people to access education and employment opportunities and generate autonomous livelihood strategies.



Cell phone banking is a mechanism to build a youth savings culture.

The 2013 research activities included the development of a conceptual model for the study, securing of partnerships with youth development organisations, the identification of appropriate savings products, and a preliminary assessment of a youth savings culture in South Africa.

The study partners include Prof Gina Chowa of the School of Social Work at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, the Ford Foundation, the National Youth Development Agency, the Nelson Mandela Children's Fund, AV Africa, Etafeni, the Brookings Institute, and the Center for Social Development at Washington University, St. Louis.

Programme 4: Social Policy and Social Welfare

Politics and Social Protection

More than 16 million South Africans receive social grants and many more benefit from other social protection measures such as free basic services. However, little is known about how social protection benefits impact on voters' electoral choices. A survey was conducted in two priority wards in the City of Johannesburg (ward 129 and ward 68) to determine whether, and in what way the receipt of social grants impacts on the party preferences of poor voters. The study was also extended to Groblersdal in Mpumalanga. Data analysis is currently underway. Prof Yolanda Sadie and Dr Vicky Graham from the UJ Department of Politics and the CSDA's Zenobia Ismail also contributed to the research.

Monitoring the implementation of Community Based Services for Orphans and Vulnerable Children in Soweto

This study takes place at a long established child welfare agency which provides a range of direct services to children and their families, and support to its community based initiatives. The agency will serve as a case study of M&E broadly in the child welfare sector. The goal of the research is to assess the appropriateness and effectiveness of the M&E system in a child welfare agency rendering community based services for Orphaned and Vulnerable Children (OVCs) in Soweto, Johannesburg. The research is being conducted by Edwin Mutambanengwe towards his MA Social work, and is being supervised by Prof Leila Patel (CSDA) and Prof Adrian van Breda (Department of Social Work, UJ).

Southern African Social Protection Experts Network (SASPEN)

The CSDA is represented on the Steering Committee of the newly established SASPEN. SASPEN is a loose alliance of stakeholders who engage in social protection in SADC. The network organises a range of activities such as conferences, country workshops as well as publication and dissemination of reports and briefs on social protection. Through its active involvement in SASPEN, CSDA staff members are often called upon to make presentations, write short articles and give other expert inputs. Read more at www.saspennetwork.org.

Programme 5: State, citizen, private sector relationships for development

Evaluation of the Tiger Brands Foundation's Pilot In-School Breakfast Feeding Programme

The National School Nutrition Programme, a school nutrition programme introduced in 1994 by the South African government is one of the most significant programmes to date to focus on the link between nutrition and education. In order to scale up the impact of school nutrition provision in the country, the TBF initiated and implemented a school breakfast programme to fill the current gap in the government feeding programme. The TBF commissioned the CSDA to evaluate whether or not the TBF breakfast feeding programme made an impact on children in the six pilot schools in Alexandra during the first year of its implementation. The research findings indicated that the TBF in-school breakfast feeding programme appears to have had a positive influence on the key evaluation variables (nutritional outcomes, learner performance and learner attendance at school). The research report was released in March 2013.

Volunteering in Africa: An overview of volunteer effort in Africa and its potential to contribute to development (2013)

The findings of a CSDA background paper and in-country studies conducted by the Swedish Red Cross were made available in early 2013. In September 2012, the CSDA embarked on an African volunteering review requested by the Swedish Red Cross. This is the first time a comprehensive overview of volunteering trends across the continent was undertaken.

Evaluation of Liberty Group's CSI investment in Katlehong

The Liberty Group invests in a number of education and skills development initiatives in Katlehong, on Gauteng's East Rand. In 2013, the CSDA embarked on a 3 year monitoring and evaluation study of these CSI initiatives. The research aims to determine how Liberty's investment has shaped educational, skills and financial literacy outcomes in the community. The first round of data was collected in November 2013. This information provides baseline data for the study which will inform Liberty's investment in Katlehong.

Public Engagement

Quarterly Seminars in 2013

Called to Serve: Zimbabwean Social Workers' Experiences of Migrating to and Working in a British City

The first seminar of the year was held on the 14th of March, where the CSDA's Dr Moreblessing Sithole Tinarwo presented a paper titled, *"Called to Serve: Zimbabwean Social Workers' Experiences of Migrating to and Working in a British City"*.

Women in Poverty: Depression and Resilience

On the 23rd of May, Jacqueline Moodley gave a presentation titled, *"Women in Poverty: Depression and Resilience"*.

Absent Fathers Study Report Launch

Eddy Mazembo Mavungu, along with Hayley Thomson-de Boor from Sonke Gender Justice Network, hosted a well-attended launch for a study report titled *"So we are ATM Fathers: A Study on Absent Fathers in Johannesburg"* on 7 November.

Poverty and Disability engagement session

Dr Graham hosted a roundtable discussion on findings from CSDA's research project *"A National Study on Poverty and Disability"* on 2 December 2013. At this discussion, members of the disability movement were invited to debate the policy, programme delivery, and advocacy implications of the research findings.

Public Lectures

University of Chicago Lecture

Prof Patel presented a lecture at the University of Chicago's School of Social Service Administration on 29 April 2013. The lecture was titled *'State Civil Society Relations in Service Delivery in South Africa'*.

Michael Davis Seminar

On the 21st of May 2013, Prof Patel presented the Michael Davis Seminar titled *'Gender and child sensitive social protection in South Africa'* at the University of Chicago's School of Social Service Administration.

AB Xuma Memorial Lecture

Prof Patel presented a lecture titled *'Developmental Welfare Reconsidered: Ideas, achievements, challenges and prospects of the White Paper for Social Welfare'* at Rhodes University in Grahamstown on 12 September 2013.

The Helen Joseph Memorial Lecture

On the 14th of October 2013, the CSDA, in collaboration with the University of Johannesburg's Faculty of Humanities and the University's Vice-Chancellor, Prof Ihron Rensburg, hosted the Helen Joseph Memorial Lecture at the Madibeng Building's Council Chambers in Auckland Park. The Lecture is an annual public engagement event held in honour of the late Helen Joseph, who was a prominent anti-Apartheid activist. Joseph was one of the women who spearheaded the Women's March to the Union Buildings in Pretoria on 9 August 1956. This year, Prof Patel, the Centre's director, had the privilege of giving the lecture titled, *"Do Social Grants Create More Problems than they Solve?"* The topic was especially relevant given that the country is heading towards election time, and the lecture addressed the issue regarding whether or not social grant reception influences voter behaviour. The lecture garnered a lot of media interest, including interviews with Prof Patel on SABC 2's Morning Live Programme as well as the John Robbie Show on Talk Radio 702.



The 2013 Helen Joseph Memorial Lecture at UJ.

Youth Assets Symposium

As part of the youth assets and employability project, the CSDA hosted a youth assets symposium on *"Strategies to build youth assets for employability"*. The symposium, funded by the NRF and the Ford Foundation, received a great deal of media attention, with coverage in The Star newspaper and on Power FM. The keynote speaker for the symposium was Prof Michael Sherraden, Director of the Center for Social Development at the University of Washington St Louis and one of TIME Magazine's 100 most influential people of 2012. We were also privileged to host Prof Gina Chowa from the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, Prof Ben Lough from the University of Illinois, and Prof Margaret Sherraden from the University of Missouri St Louis, all of whom gave presentations.



Youth Assets Symposium panelists: from left to right; Prof Margaret Sherraden and Prof Michael Sherraden from Washington University, St. Louis, Prof Gina Chowa from the University of North Carolina, and Dr Lauren Graham from the CSDA.

Youth unemployment roundtable, Washington DC

In order to address the issue of youth unemployment, the South African Ambassador to the United States, Ambassador Ebrahim Rassool, called a Roundtable discussion in Washington DC, USA, with key development partners. Dr Graham presented the CSDA's plans to implement and test a demonstration project to address youth unemployment.

The consultation brought together international organisations such as the World Bank, USAID and the Rockefeller Foundation, alongside NGO partners and representatives from Washington University, St Louis, the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, the University of Illinois, and the University of Johannesburg. All the participants were interested in strategies to address youth unemployment in South Africa and the rest of Africa.

Awards and Scholarships

The Helen Harris Pearlman visiting professorship

Prof Patel was awarded the Helen Harris Perlman Visiting Professorship from University of Chicago's School of Social Service Administration. Her tenure was from 1 April until 28 June, during which she conducted research and lectured a course on social work and social development in South Africa.

Zoheb Khan was awarded a CSDA bursary for doctoral research on the social dynamics of male beneficiaries of the Child Support Grant. He will register in the Department of Anthropology and Development Studies and Prof Patel will supervise his thesis.

Edwin Mutambanengwe received a CSDA bursary for his research on monitoring and evaluation of community services for orphans and vulnerable children. He is registered in social work and is supervised by Prof Patel and Prof Adrian van Breda.

Mazembo Mavungu was awarded the Swiss Federal Excellence Scholarship for Post-Doctoral research on the topic "Regionalism, Democracy and Conflict: comparative analysis of South Africa, Congo (DRC) and Switzerland". He is now based in the Centre for African Studies and the Department of History at the University of Basel, Switzerland.

Dr Tinarwo was awarded the NRF Free-standing Postdoctoral Fellowship for her research which focuses on the contribution of Southern African diaspora associations to home country development. The period of support is from January 2013 till December 2014.

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Bursaries

As part of the grant from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (previously AusAID) for the National Study on Poverty and Disability the following three students were awarded postgraduate bursaries in 2013:

- **Jean Elphick** for her PhD study on empowerment of parents of children with disabilities in Orange Farm
- **Nonkululeko Ngcobo** for her PhD study on the intersection of gender and disability
- **Reem Mutwali** for her PhD study on access to healthcare for people with disabilities.

Writing Group and Publishing Workshops

The writing group consists of CSDA staff members meeting regularly to discuss articles in progress. This group has been helpful in terms of encouraging staff to write, improving writing skills and providing invaluable insights into each other's work. In 2013, three writing retreats were held where, each time, one week was set aside for CSDA staff including post-doctoral research fellows, research associates and other interested UJ staff, to sit together and work on individual writing projects. This brings together people across disciplines but all in pursuit of a common goal of increased/improved academic outputs. This has been one way in which we have been able to increase our research output at the CSDA. Both the writing group and the writing retreat are led by Dr Tinarwo. Keolebogile Mbebe organized a publishing workshop for the CSDA staff and other members of the research village in late October. The workshop was presented by NRF A-Rated researcher and UJ Professor Thaddeus Metz.

Postgraduate Supervision and Capacity Building

The CSDA has continued to be a valuable training ground for postgraduate students who receive supervision from CSDA and UJ staff, practical experience in research, as well as access to intermittent training and capacity building workshops run by CSDA staff and postdoctoral fellows.

In 2013, six doctoral level, five Masters level students, and four honours level students were connected to the Centre. Three doctoral students continue to be attached to the poverty and disability project and receive bursaries for their studies through the project. Two of these (Nonkululeko Ngcobo and Reem Mutwali) are currently supervised by Prof Eleanor Ross and Dr Edith Phaswana. Jean Elphick is supervised by Dr Zosa Gruber in the Department of Development Studies. Prof Patel is also currently supervising the following Doctoral and Masters level students:

- Edwin Mutambanengwe – Masters in Social Work (co-supervising with Prof Adrian van Breda from the UJ Department of Social Work)
- Gift Dafuleya – Doctorate in Economics (co-supervising with Professors Stephen Gelb and Fiona Tregenna)
- Zoheb Khan – Doctorate in Development Studies

Fifteen BA Honours Politics students participated in our study on voting behaviour and social protection where the students conducted interviews and used the data in their Honours research projects. The work was supervised by Prof Sadie and Dr Graham.

Prof Patel and Prof Ross co-supervised Unotido Moyo's Master's research in 2012 and 2013. Unotido successfully completed her Masters with distinction in 2013.

Dr Graham supervised three Honours level Sociology students, all of whom completed their degrees in 2013. One student – Franca Peverelle – received the top mark in the class for her research project. Dr Graham is also currently supervising Thapelo Mqhehe, a Sociology Master's student.

In addition to the formal supervision that the CSDA staff provide, we also continue to mentor a number of students. This year we hosted two NRF interns – Awethu Mpepanduka and Anton Pillay – both of whom received invaluable research experience by working closely with CSDA staff members on centre projects. Karabo Mphaka was a research assistant at the CSDA and also acquired valuable research experience over the year.

Media Coverage

The CSDA enjoyed extensive media coverage in 2013, with at least three of our colleagues giving one or more television and radio interviews during this year. Some of the biggest media draw-cards were the research related to the Study of Absent Fathers, the Helen Joseph Memorial Lecture, as well as the Youth Assets Symposium. The CSDA's research on the voting behaviour of social grant recipients was another big media draw card, and Prof Patel was invited to SABC 3's Interface as an expert guest in a discussion about poverty and child security.

Below are some media headlines directly related to CSDA's research in 2013.

ATM dads blamed for dysfunctional kids

Aarti J Narsee

A CHILD'S dysfunctional behaviour – an-
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sentee fathers saw themselves merely as financial providers for their children, often depriving them of emotional care

Bear, which also counsels abused children, said children blamed themselves for the absence of their father, often leading

Feeding schemes work wonders

Grants not bribery for votes, study reveals

Patience Bambalele

THE recent study by the Centre for Social Development in Africa

found that grant beneficiaries who were without work were extremely motivated to get work and place a high value on paid

Call to open up savings accounts for children

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AS CLEAN running water and road infrastructure are rolled out as state services to the public, so should financial services like saving accounts be available for children.

Children must be taught to manage money

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AS CLEAN running water and road infrastructure are

building from an early age had many long-term financial and social benefits. Strategies such as having saving accounts for

low-income levels. Because the money was saved early it accumulated and allowed children access to higher education and

people to find stable jobs. "If you look at productivity around the world, capital takes up a major share... so there's less (money) going

Bringing value of absent fathers home

KATLEY THOMPSON-DE BOER

AND IDOT KAYUMBE

father who had not seen, spoken to or provided maintenance for at least one of his children in the past three months.

"Starting from when I wake up in the morning checking nappies, I know where the nappies are. There is no doc-

delivery room when their child was born, so it would help create a connection with the child; that service

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JOHANNESBURG. – Maatskaplike toelae het 'n invloed vir watter politieke partye mense stem, omdat hulle bang is hulle verloor dié toelae.

Volgens navorsing deur die Sentrum vir Maatskaplike Ont-

Invloed van maatskaplike toelae



Being a Man in South Africa: Older men also endure peer pressure

By: Steve Mkwana



Reaching out: Finding the strength to interact with your children emotionally and culturally, as well providing for them, is a challenge for many men raised with distant or completely absent fathers. Photo: Madeline Corpi

and building their self-confidence. My children have taught me the value of giving without expecting. For example, when Ruzhakalia's son got married and, for the first time, I

The essence of social grants

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SOCIAL grants do not create more problems than they solve, director of the Centre for Social Development in Africa (CSDA) Professor Lella Patel said at the eighth Helen Joseph Memorial Lecture.

Speaking at the University of Johannesburg (UJ) on 14 October, Patel revealed her research findings in a lecture titled 'Do Social Grants Create More Problems than they Solve?'

Conversations on public and private platforms have given Patel insight on people's perspectives about the grants system and grant beneficiaries.



Website

The website www.uj.ac.za/csda continues to provide regular updates and access to information about the Centre's activities and publications. In 2013, there were 8538 page views based on data supplied by Google analytics. That figure represented a 33,5 % increase in page views from 2012.

Exchange Visitors/Students

University of Utrecht Students

In 2013, the CSDA again hosted Masters in Social Policy students from the University of Utrecht for three months. Sophia Geerars and Floor van Bercum joined the CSDA in February 2013 in order to work on their research proposals and conduct fieldwork in Doornkop. Sophia conducted her study on young people's access to post-secondary education while Floor was interested in the support structures available to teenage mothers in Doornkop. They were mentored by Dr Graham and Dr Tinarwo. They both completed their projects and were awarded top honours for their work at the University of Utrecht.

British Academy Partnership Grant

In July 2013 the CSDA hosted the first meeting of a series of meetings to be held over the next three years as part of our collaboration with the University of Southampton, the University of Hong Kong and the University of the Witwatersrand on a British Academy partnerships grant focusing on youth risk behaviour in South Africa. July 2013 marked the inception meeting. Dr Amos Channon of the University of Southampton and Dr Lucy Jordan from the University of Hong Kong, Prof Clifford Odimegwu from the Department of Demography at Wits University all attended the meeting, as well as students and staff from UJ and Wits.

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Vision, aims and strategy

Vision

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Aims

The CSDA aims to:

- Produce quality, innovative and relevant research engaged with pressing social welfare and human development needs and concerns,
- Integrate research, teaching and community and public engagement,
- Disseminate research to benefit academic debate, social policy, social development programmes and communities,
- Optimise research opportunities in nationally and regionally identified focus areas,
- Build research capacity, postgraduate development and leadership in social welfare and development,
- Promote dialogue between different actors involved with furthering social development,
- Conduct research in collaboration with a range of research partners including postgraduate students,
- Build strategic local, national, regional and international research partnerships and academic staff and student exchange programmes.

Strategic goals

The CSDA has set itself the following goals:

- To conduct leading edge research in the field of social welfare and social development in the African context,
- To contribute to the dissemination of research, foster debate and build research capacity,
- To develop and implement research partnerships locally, regionally and globally to advance the work of the CSDA,
- To ensure that the CSDA operates in an ethical, accountable and collaborative manner which is effectively and efficiently governed and managed.



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