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The Impact of COVID-19 on Vulnerable Families in the Inner-city



From left to right: *NYTimes*, Guillem Sartorio; *DailyMaverick*, Aisha Abdool Karim; *The Citizen*, Michele Spatari



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On Sunday evening President Cyril Ramaphosa announced that schools will be closed starting from Wednesday 18 March until reopening on Tuesday 14 April (tentative). While many schools discuss learning contingency plans, Streetlight Schools has an additional consideration to prepare for.

As many of our supporters know, the children who attend our school depend on the meals we provide. For many breakfast and lunch at our flagship school—Jeppe Park Primary—are their only meals.

While those who can afford to stock up with non-perishables, many of our inner-city families do not have this luxury. Not only can they not afford these items at regular prices, but the demand created by this pandemic is driving food prices up, placing canned food and hygiene essentials out of reach.

We are appealing to you to once again consider the those most vulnerable in our country.

If you are in a position to donate non-perishables directly or fund our purchase of non-perishable hampers for families in our community, please reach out to David Fu 074 812 9648 or fu@streetlightschools.org. Please add your initials and last name as reference. If you would like a tax receipt, please send PoP.

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[Streetlight Schools](#) improves access to quality education in some of the most vulnerable communities in South Africa. We have created an innovative primary school that now serves 315 learners from Grades R-5, with over half coming from single-parent homes. We facilitate holistic development and empower our students with 21st century skills like coding, design thinking and entrepreneurship. Our school was named by South African President Cyril Ramaphosa as [a wonderful example](#) of community engagement ending weeks of violence and xenophobia in the inner city last year.