



Cyril Ramaphosa
EDUCATION TRUST

**Cyril Ramaphosa Education Trust (CRET)
honours the youth of 1976 who sacrificed for
equal education in a democratic South Africa.**

**We honour the youth of today,
conscience of society, drivers of change.**

**CRET is committed to enabling young people
to fulfil their potential and contribute to
the well-being of society.**

CRET, a Cyril Ramaphosa Foundation partner entity, implements a holistic bursary support and youth development programme. Students from disadvantaged backgrounds are supported for higher education study and vocational training. The support is based on the potential of candidates and not just on academic performance. CRET believes all young people should be supported to fulfill their potential.

In partnership with individual and corporate sponsors, CRET's offering includes:

- financial support, including a personal allowance;
- academic support that includes tuition, accommodation, books and stationery;
- mentorship and psychosocial support; and
- career guidance, work-readiness development, including driver training, and work experience opportunities.

CRET Support Goes Beyond the Bursary

The drop-out rate in South Africa is high and support needs to go beyond the bursary to cater for the overall well-being of students – especially in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic and its impact on education and young people.

Psychosocial support

CRET provides students and their families with psychosocial support. It conducted a survey as part of this offering to better understand the mental health challenges its students may experience. Of 51 respondents, between 74% and 98% said they'd benefit from discussions about tiredness, anxiety, depression and mood disorders. All the students surveyed said they'd benefit from discussions about stress management.

Holistic student support is vital to ensure the successful completion of studies and the return on investment by bursary supporting companies and individuals.

Work readiness

Education is believed to be significant in interrupting the cycle of poverty and reducing inequality of opportunity and income. However, access to quality education does not guarantee employment, because job opportunities in a challenged economy are limited. Many young people are unable to find work.

CRET's offerings help enhance the employability of students. It provides career guidance, work-experience opportunities in partnership with private sector companies, and work-readiness development like CV preparation and Code 8 licenced driver training.

Join with CRET in investing in the future.

Send forth skilled and talented visionaries into the world;

eradicate youth unemployment;

break the cycle of generational poverty;





build a culture of paying it forward;

change the futures of individuals, communities and the nation.

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