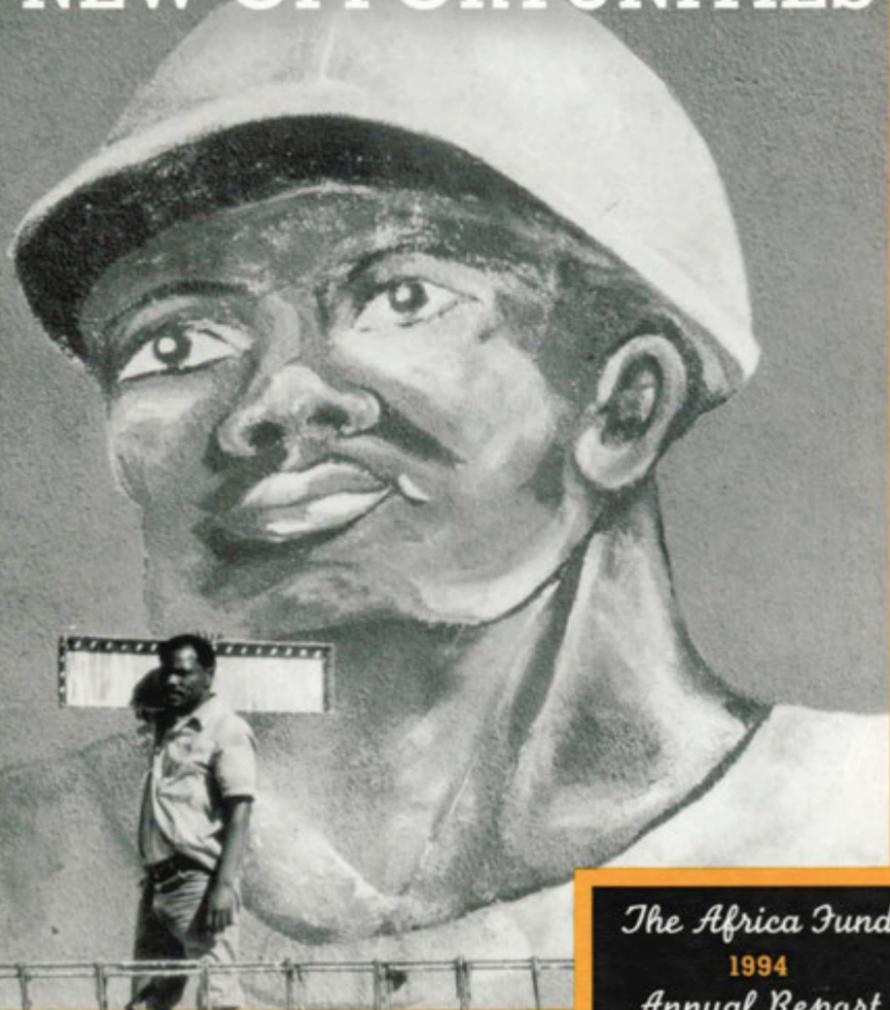


# AFRICA- NEW CHALLENGES, NEW OPPORTUNITIES



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*(left) The Africa Fund is working with South African self-help organizations which are building houses and schools.*

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*(below) The Africa Fund is assisting the union for South Africa's domestic workers who leave their own children behind to earn as little as \$28 a month.*

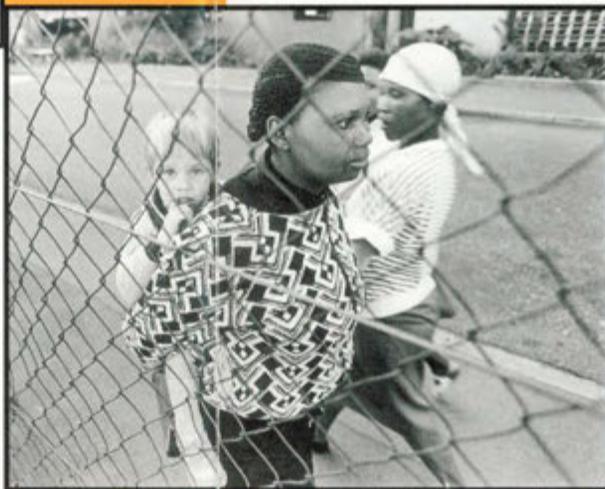
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When Nelson Mandela took the oath of office as the first democratically elected President of South Africa a new era for Africa began. The struggle to overcome apartheid and colonialism was finally won. New challenges and opportunities lay ahead.

*The Africa Fund* is addressing these challenges and opportunities with programs to support reconstruction, development and democracy. Democracy can only grow roots when, going beyond words, it brings housing, health care and education. We want to help freedom come alive for people in Africa's squatter camps and barren rural areas.

All across Africa a new surge of energy is rising to obliterate the legacy of discrimination, deprivation and dictatorship, the devastation of apartheid and its wars. Democratic elections have brought new leadership to countries like Malawi. The end of civil war in Angola and Mozambique brings promise that the ballot will replace the bullet.

There is a new birth of hope. People want to build homes, schools, clinics, maybe theaters and play-



*(right) As the new South Africa confronts a major crisis in education, The Africa Fund is supporting an educational project for children who have returned from exile.*

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grounds. But for over 95% of southern Africans even electricity and running water are now a distant aspiration.

**We in the U.S. can help turn these dreams into reality.**

*The Africa Fund* is uniquely capable of meeting these new challenges. In Africa we have the first hand knowledge that comes from working with African independence leaders from Kwame Nkrumah in Ghana to Nelson Mandela in South Africa. In the U.S. we have a network of community leaders in every part of the country. The result is a demonstrated record of effectiveness and achievement. Now we are mobilizing community leaders throughout the U.S. to meet Africa's new challenges.

**Americans can make a vital contribution through:**

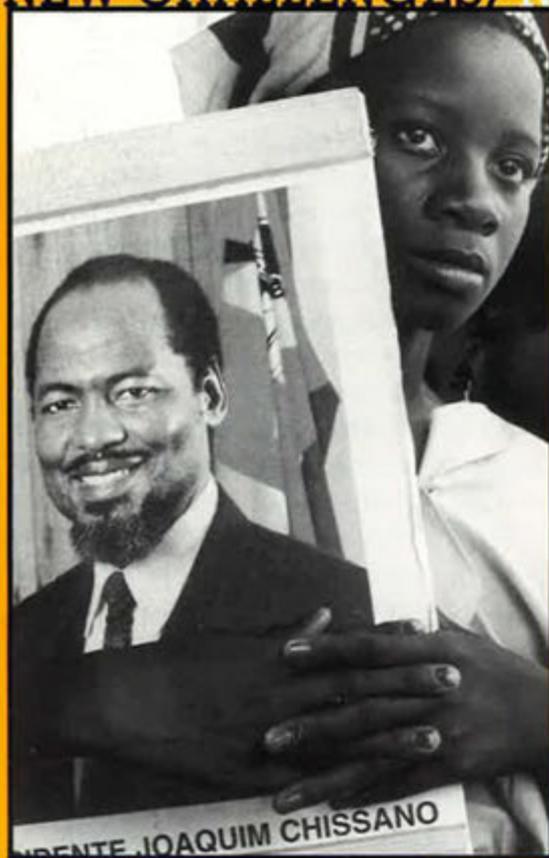
■ **Sharing our experience and skills.** The Africa Fund is taking U.S. teachers to South Africa and bringing members of the organization representing South Africa's million domestic workers to the U.S. to study day care, literacy programs, and ways to use legislation.

■ **Establishing strong ties with our counterparts in southern Africa.** The Africa Fund is taking a delegation of state legislators to Zimbabwe, Namibia and South Africa to meet many newly elected officials, strengthen capacity and directly experience local needs.

■ **Working for a U.S. policy which supports development and democracy.** The Africa Fund is challenging the destructive "slash and burn aid" policy which the November elections brought to Washington. We are fighting back by linking the attack on aid to Africa and the onslaught against the safety net for America's poor. We have enlisted religious leaders, mayors and legislators in our campaign.



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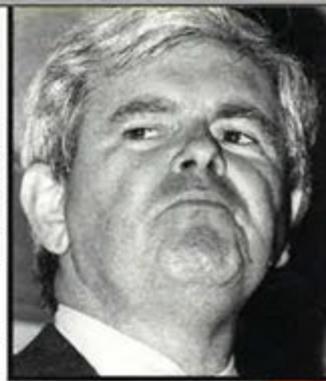
The Republican attempt to decimate development aid to Africa dominates our current work. Without these funds for schools, housing, and electricity the new hopes for a better life in southern Africa could quickly turn to ashes.

The attack on aid is only the beginning of an effort to create a new Africa policy that would put profits before people, and replace compassion with calculation. Men like Jesse Helms and Newt Gingrich are ready to write off most of Africa because it does not generate sufficient corporate investment and profitability.

All The Africa Fund's work is empowered by our national network of community leaders including elected officials, pastors, educators, leaders of civil rights and women's organizations, and labor and business leaders. We provide these diverse constituencies with the guidance, information, and contacts

they need for effective action. This is only possible because The Africa Fund has unique access to key leaders in and out of government throughout southern Africa.

The stakes are high. Africa is the world's poorest continent. It needs continued American concern and support. The Africa Fund is committed to working with Americans addressing urgent problems here at home, and to linking these struggles with African efforts. The end of apartheid has not ended our work but opened a new door. The struggle to secure economic justice and lasting democracy lies ahead.



(above) The Africa Fund is mobilizing against attacks on development aid to Africa coming from Newt Gingrich and his Republican allies.

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(above left) A rally for Mozambican President Chissano during the election campaign. The Africa Fund coordinated an observer team for Mozambique's critical election.

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(left) Nelson Mandela invited The Africa Fund to his inauguration. Africa Fund Chair Tilden LeMelle, Executive Director Jennifer Davis, and Projects Director Dumisani Kumalo were his guests at this historic event.

KUNINORI TAKAHASHI/IMPACT VISUALS



(right) The Africa Fund organized protests against the Nigerian military dictatorship's repression and violence.

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(below left) Angola's Fernando Pacheco is enabling people who fled civil war to return to the land. The Africa Fund coordinated his U.S. trip to publicize Angola's reconstruction needs.

(below right) Newly elected South African Member of Parliament Mavivi Yvette Mangzini (right) in The Africa Fund office with our Administrator Annie P. King.



## The Africa Fund in 1994

### Projects PROTECTING THE SOUTH AFRICAN ELECTIONS

The Africa Fund's South Africa Election Watch mobilized Americans in over 20 states and the District of Columbia to protect the South African election.

The Africa Fund sent a team of election observers led by Executive Director Jennifer Davis. The American Committee on Africa, our non-tax exempt associate, sent an observer team of African American religious leaders led by Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker.

### MOZAMBIQUE ELECTIONS

The Africa Fund coordinated a 16 member observer team for the Mozambican elections in October. Working with the Mozambique Council of Churches they helped guarantee both the fairness of the election and its international acceptance.

### MAINTAINING CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT

The Africa Fund has taken the lead in maintaining citizen involvement with southern Africa in the post-apartheid era:

We enabled state and municipal public officials to continue their concern for southern Africa by building ties to their counterparts in southern Africa. On International Women's Day, The Africa Fund and the National Council of Negro Women held an event celebrating the release of the South African Women's Charter.

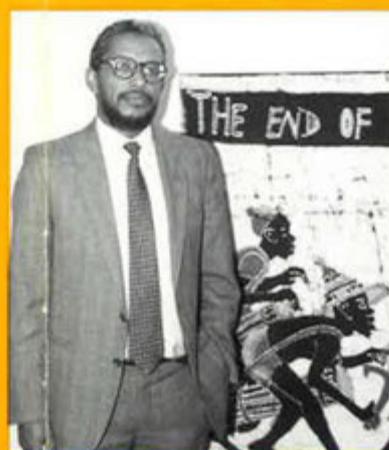
### SUPPORTING SELF-HELP PROJECTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

In 1994 The Africa Fund provided seed money for creative and innovative self-help projects in southern Africa:

The South African Domestic Workers Union which is the voice for a million Black women who leave their own children behind to work for as little as \$28 a month.

The Trauma Center which helps South African victims of torture and political violence heal both their physical and emotional wounds.

**Research & Education** As Africa faded from the nightly news The Africa Fund's public education became both more difficult and more essential. Media interviews and reports from "NBC Today" and "The MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour" and *The Washington Post* to *Ms. Magazine* helped our message reach millions of Americans. People who needed accurate, accessible information turned to Africa Fund publications.



### General and Administrative

A complete financial report prepared by an independent accounting firm, and an annual program report are available to all who request them. Reports are also prepared for federal, state and independent monitoring groups. A financial supplement is available from the New York Department of State, Charities Registration Bureau, Albany, N.Y. 12231.

### Membership and Fundraising

The Africa Fund depends on thousands of individuals who give from a few dollars to a few thousand dollars each year. We also want to express our

appreciation to those who have donated through the Combined Federal Campaign and state and local campaigns. Contributions to The Africa Fund are fully deductible to the extent provided by law.

### BEQUESTS

The Africa Fund has benefited enormously from a number of very generous bequests, especially those from Winifred Clapp and Ruth Westerman

For those who want to provide for a furtherance of their concern for the work of The Africa Fund, the following form of bequest is suggested: I hereby bequeath the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to The Africa Fund for use in its programs.

In 1994 The Africa Fund drew on a special forward fund for the transition process. Results are preliminary and subject to audit and do not include an endowment established by the Trustees from a bequest.

INCOME		EXPENSES	
Contributions	\$324,520	Projects	\$159,507
Direct Mail	48,051	Research & Education	223,903
Literature	4,130	Membership & Fundraising	26,517
Interest	4,868	General Administration	28,604
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$381,569</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$438,531</b>

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*Tilden LeMelle, Chair  
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*(right) A mural painted by  
the South Africa's Black  
construction workers' union  
on a building site in  
Johannesburg, symbolizes  
rebuilding from apartheid's  
devastation.*

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