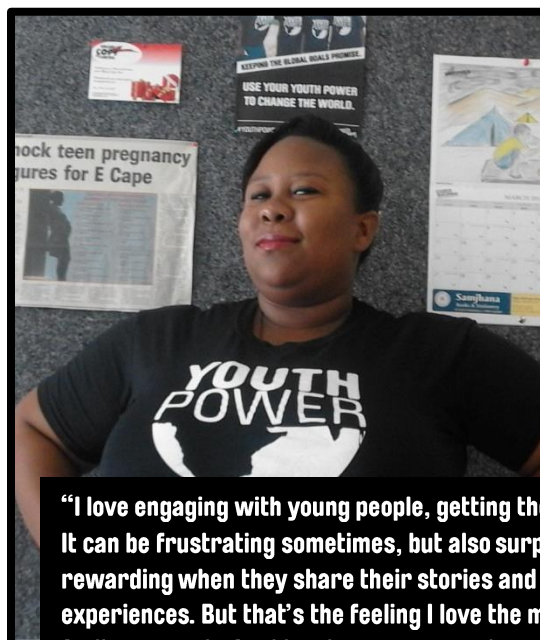


## Our Values Champions

**Kekeletso Khitsane**

**Safeguard Young People (SYP) Lead  
& Social Media Officer**

**Restless Development South Africa**



**“I love engaging with young people, getting their stories. It can be frustrating sometimes, but also surprising and rewarding when they share their stories and experiences. But that’s the feeling I love the most, the feeling you get of pride when young people you meet transform what you have been informing them of.”**

### **Her Restless Story**

Kekeletso joined Restless Development in February 2014 as an intern, having just completed her Diploma in Human Resources Management. In 2015 she became a Field Officer before becoming Youth Engagement & Social Media Officer in 2016. She is currently the Safeguard Young People Programme Lead. She was recognised as a values champion by her peers for her team spirit, passion for youth development, innovative ideas and leadership skills.

### **Which of our Values speaks to you the most and why?**

“The Heart Value. I first applied to join Restless Development because I knew I would be doing something of significant value, in that every day when I woke up I knew I would be helping someone even if it is in the tiniest of ways – I would be changing someone’s life. That is what drives me and I have been applying and accepting each and every opportunity Restless Development has given me since day one.”



### **What do you think makes Restless Development so special?**

“It’s not your typical charity organisation. From the way staff are recruited to the work we do; but most importantly its standing by what it believes, which is young people. The culture it has, once a new employee joins they instantly become part of the family and it’s like they have been part of the team for years – the hard work and dedication is great.”

### **How do you keep our values alive day to day?**

“I think since I’m a young person also, I get to experience firsthand every day what Restless Development has to offer. I learn every day and this shapes my life every day too.”

### **If you could say one thing to your colleagues across Restless Development, what would it be?**

“Be true to yourself and that will make things fall into place more easily, like your passion and drive. You can handle anything since you’re clear on why you do what you do every day.”



As part of ongoing celebration of our values, a values champion will be profiled every month. Champions were nominated by their peers and selected based on their commitment to the Values and ideals of Restless Development. To learn more about our values, visit [www.restlessdevelopment.org/our-values](http://www.restlessdevelopment.org/our-values)