ON the doorstep of Cape Town's suburbs, miles of township stretch into the distance. These townships are a world of which most white South Africans are totally unaware.

Children play soccer in the sand, housewives sweep and clean shacks. A different type of politics is conducted. People fear daily that their houses will be demolished. There are few schools and health services and worklessness is the order of the day.

This is life and home to the majority of people in the area.

For two years IDASA have been running tours of these townships with the aim of exposing South Africans to what is happening less than 10 km away. Up to three tours

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Scenes from the KTC squatter camp outside Cape Town.

