

CASA NEWS

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Casa Caritas is a Home that provides loving care and stimulation, either full-time or part-time, to people with severe intellectual and physical disabilities within our care protocol.



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Our dear resident Marius Bekker passed away peacefully on Saturday 14 June 2025. Marius was 48 years old and he lived in Casa Caritas since August 2005. We want to extend our deepest sympathy and condolences to the Bekker family. His parents Tannie Didi, the late Oom Hennie and brother Hendro were always actively involved in Marius' daily care at Casa Caritas. They contributed to fundraising and other activities and they will always be loved and appreciated by us.



Farewell

House Mother Wourene Roux will be leaving Casa Caritas Mid-July. Her Season here at Casa Caritas and her love, care, joy and the Word she brought every day is coming to end and we will deeply miss the sunshine and hope she brought to us.

We wish you well, Wourene! May God our Father keep you safe and may you continue to reap what you are sowing.



Volunteers

Dr Fransli Buckle from Kempton Panorama School, a special school which accommodates learners with special educational needs (LSEN), referred two fourth year Occupational Therapy Students from Wits University to us. They volunteered to spend time with our residents.

Nicole de Beer (right) and Molebogeng Mat-





18 July 2025 is **Nelson Mandela** Day. If you are keen to donate 67 minutes of your time, please contact our office to let us know you want to join us on the day. We always have small projects for extra hands.

Introducing new Board Member Shannon Naidoo Social Media Liaison



I am honoured to introduce myself as the newest member of the Casa Caritas Board. When I'm not working you'll likely find me cooking up something new, spending time outdoors, or enjoying moments with family and friends.

Casa Caritas has been close to my heart for as long as I can remember – my journey with the Home began when I was just 8 years old. Over the years, I've had the joy of helping build traditions here, including starting up the much-loved annual Christmas party.

Personally, I'm always striving to grow, lead with purpose, and invest in the people and causes that matter most to me. Stepping in the role on the Board, I'm eager to contribute more meaningfully to Casa Caritas — helping to build new traditions, support the team, and bring fresh energy and ideas that will make a real and lasting difference in the lives of our residents.

I look forward to working alongside all of you to bring even more warmth, joy, and support to the home and its wonderful residents.

Keeping hearts and hands warm

On one of the coldest days so far this winter House Mother Wourene Roux donated knee blankets to the Staff Tea Room for their lunch and tea breaks, while Natanya Holtzhausen (Operations) gave each staff member a snug mug of hot chocolate.



Life at Casa Caritas

Our staff enjoy the therapy time with our residents. Johan van der Merwe (below left), Devon Moss (below right), and Ilonka Steyn (far below left) enjoy puzzles. while Cheressa Cummings (far below right) enjoys stickers and paper-based activities.



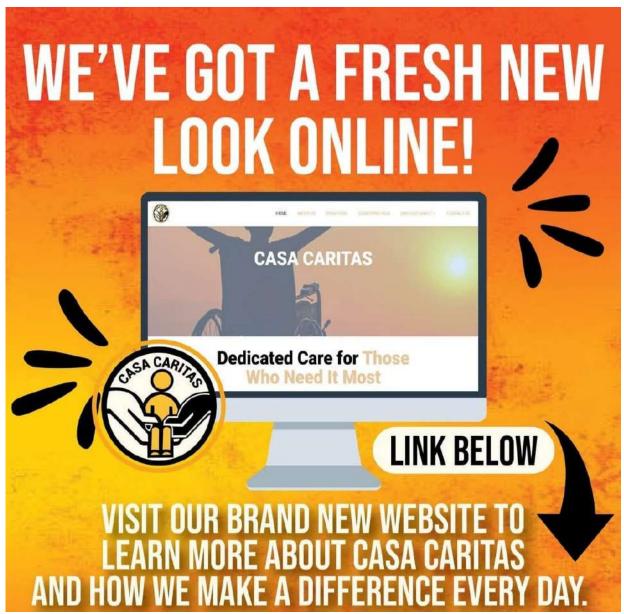
Day visitor Runaldo de Beer decided one day he wanted to assist in the Kitchen. Our staff enjoy him very much.





Saturday 2 August 2025 09:00

Please come and support us. You may be surprised if you take the time to browse through our second hand donations.



www.casacaritas.org.za

Take a tour and have a browse and perhaps when you have a chance, come and pop by for a cup of coffee to experience us firsthand.

Easy, free charity contribution

It will not cost you a cent. To contribute to Casa Caritas through this initiative, all you have to do is to get a MySchool card from Woolies, or online at MySchool — if you have a Woolworths Rewards card these can be linked so that you only swipe one card. Make sure you choose Casa Caritas as your beneficiary.



Every time you swipe your card at Woolies, a percentage of your purchase will be donated to our Home. Casa Caritas currently has just over 70 supporters who swipe their My School cards at Woolworths. That simple act by the supporters raises over R900,00 in funds for us every month.

Please support us in this way.





Get your Casual Day sticker from us to support our home. Your R20 will help us raise much needed funds. Call 0721071989 or email ops@casacaritas.org.za to order, or visit our Home at 7 De Villiers Ave, Terenure.

#beyondthelabel



We still have 4-balls available. Sponsoring a manned waterhole is a good networking initiative and marketing for your business. Please keep a look out on our new web page www.casacaritas.org.za or our Facebook page for updates.

Marihona Steenkamp (49) 8 June



10 June



Ronele Pubalakan (30) 14 June



Kyle Sutton (24)



Opportunity for small businesses and community services

Advertise in Casa News

Place your small business advertisement in Casa News for only R50,00 per quarter page. Full page advertisements can be placed at R200,00. Casa News is distributed widely to parents, guardians, friends, and previous donors who will notice your advertisement.

Payment to Casa Caritas, Absa Bank, Current account no 260231812, Universal branch 632005. Send the advert with proof of payment to olga@olgacoetzee.com.

Is jy 'n Suid Afrikaanse tiener wat hulp nodig het?

"THIS TOO SHALL PASS"

Happy birthday!

(King Solomon-1852)

Hierdie gratis program help Suid Afrikaanse tieners van 12 tot 18 jaar wat selfmoord oorweeg. Dit is in ter nagedagtenis aan Angie Diedericks, wat net 16 jaar oud was toe sy, ongelukkig, haar eie lewe geneem het. Besoek ons webwerf indien jy hulp nodig het - daar is WhatsApp- en e-pos skakels na ons beraders wat 24/7 beskikbaar is vir jou.

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