



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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Thank you

SS Trading made a very generous cash donation for which we are deeply grateful. They have supported us generously over many years.

They are professional electrical contractors established in 2003 and specialising in contracting, maintenance and construction services for the industrial, commercial, and domestic marketplace since 2003.



Laerskool Impala donated 2 wheelchairs to Casa Caritas through a bottle cap drive in which 500 Kg of bottle caps were required to get each wheelchair. Thank you for thinking of us and for your resilience in collecting so many bottle caps! The chairs are much needed.

Right: Lizelle Aspelg, Chantell Kriel (Casa Caritas CEO), Christelle Le Roux, Sister Roelien Hall and Mr Willem Jacobs (School Principal).



Valentine's Day

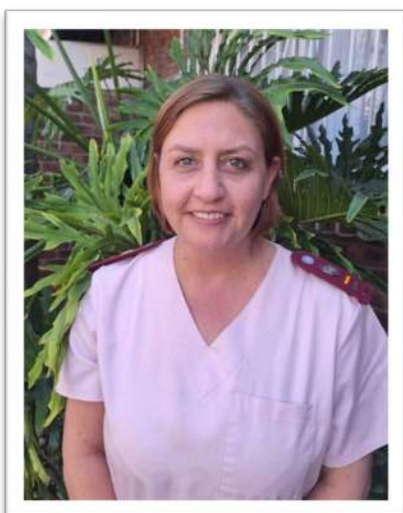
We would like to thank Debbie and her team from KipMagrath Van Riebeeck Park for spreading the love and showing their appreciation on Valentines Day. Our staff members loved the appreciation. We always appreciate it so much when local businesses pop by.



Section 18A certificates

If you have made a donation to Casa Caritas in the past financial year and require a Section 18A certificate, please email Chantell Kriel at ceo@casacaritas.org.za and we will gladly send this to you.

Thank you to each and every company and individual that contributes to our ability to uphold our care and standards of the Home. We don't always have everyone's details but our gratitude is great!



Farewell

Sister Rolien Hall has been part of the Casa Caritas team since July 2024. Unfortunately she will be leaving us at the end of February 2026. We would like to thank her for her caring heart, her patience and her support over the past 20 months. She brought a wealth of knowledge to Casa Caritas and we are proud to have had her as part of the team.

Sr Roeline is joining an assisted living facility for the aged. We wish her all of the best with this new journey.



Life at Casa Caritas

Day visitor Donovan du Plessis is a big fan of baseball caps – sometimes he comes in with 3 on his head at the same time. It seems that the cap fever was spreading on a particular day when Donovan shared one of his caps with Ilonka Steyn. She was clearly chuffed by the gesture and did not want us to remove the cap for the whole day.

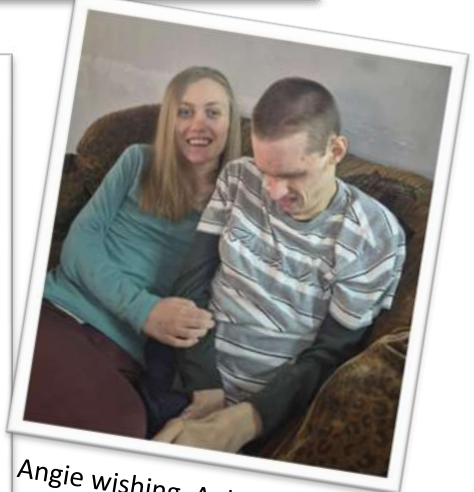
Angie du Preez is our resident hugger who loves spreading the love. Every other day she will find her way to the office to hug us, or she will just share hugs with her fellow residents.



Angie with Runaldo



Angie popping into the office for a hug with house mother Lorinda



Angie wishing Aubrey a happy birthday

opportunity

Car shade port project

Our shade port in our parking area is in need of replacing. The current blue shade port has served its purpose for more than 10 years, with numerous repairs to maintain its integrity. Should you or your company be in a position to assist with donations toward this project we will be over the moon. This is more than a cosmetic undertaking. Besides protection for vehicles it also provides us with shade for fundraising events and time outside for residents when they are out for their walks in the garden.

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.



Johan van der Merwe (39)
11 February



Marzanne Grobbelaar (38)
11 February



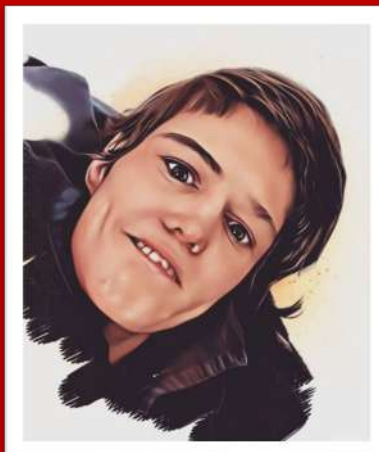
Aubrey Green (25)
16 February



Cheressa Cummings (45)
16 February



Nadia Swanepoel (34)
26 February



Happy birthday!



Opportunity for small businesses and community services

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.

VACANT ROOMS CASA CARITAS 24/7 care for severely handicapped individuals

We have vacant rooms for residents and open spaces for day visitors.

Applicants should be physically and mentally handicapped and they will be evaluated using our care protocol. For most residents Casa Caritas becomes their life-long home away from home.

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