



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

FFS Refiners in Chloorkop has been assisting Casa Caritas for years. This month they blessed us with a very important wish list item for our residents' comfort: Four large wall-mounted fans were delivered and installed by their team. These fans have been placed throughout the playroom and the emergency room for good ventilation.



Emergency room



Thumela Mphela is all smiles in the cool air.



We received a grocery donation from **Delores**, a local community member who started reaching out to us late last year. Thank you for your donations!



Toyota Automark Centurion made a large donation of apples to Casa Caritas. Johan van der Westhuizen appears in the photo left with our staff.



AUTOMARK
CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED VEHICLES



Paying it forward

Our community supported us so well once again over the December period that we had excess stock – we just had to share the items we were unable to sell in Something Blue and at our jumble sales in 2025.



We shared with Helpende Hand, House of the Lord Benoni, Jan's Heart, Connie Morgan, and MES Kempton Park.



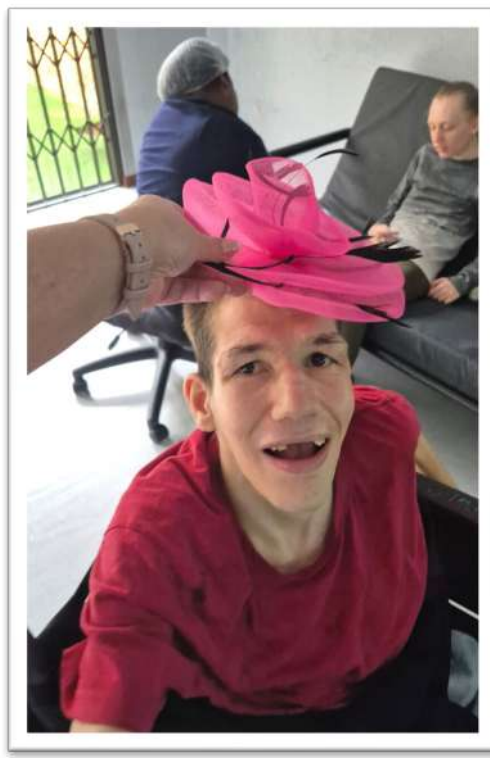
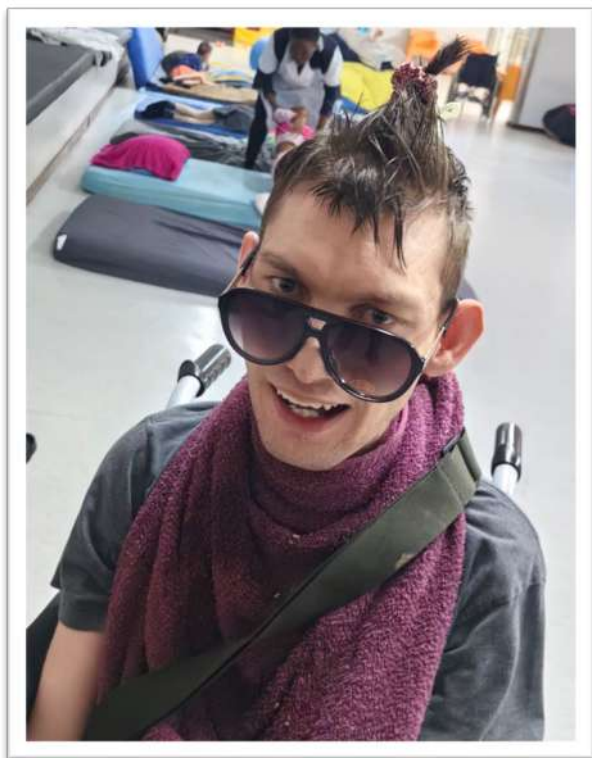
Life at Casa Caritas

Our staff at Casa Caritas love to bring joy and fun to the home. In December we received a black plastic bike as part of a donation and we allowed residents to have some fun with it. Move aside, Danny (left) and Donovan (right) are going for a ride!



"La vie en rose" – seeing the world through rose coloured lenses brings optimism and joy. Pink always brings a smile, and sister Roelien adds, "so does some time in the sun!"

Devon (left) and Johan (right) enjoyed the giggles.



We have decided to close our charity shop, Something Blue. We have found that our Jumble Sale Saturdays are much more efficient fundraisers. We kindly request the community to keep the donation of second hand clothing and household items coming – more regular jumble sales are planned this year.

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.



Tumelo Mphela (21)
9 January



Ilonka Steyn (40)
22 January



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.

Apply to ceo@casacaritas.org.za.

**Are you a South African teenager
and in need of help?**

"THIS TOO SHALL PASS"

(King Solomon-1852)

This **FREE** WhatsApp VIDEO CALL program assists South African adolescents aged 12 to 18 who are considering taking their own lives. It is dedicated to Angie Diedericks, who was only 16 when she, sadly, took her own life. Visit our website if you need help – you will find WhatsApp links to counsellors who are available 24/7.

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