



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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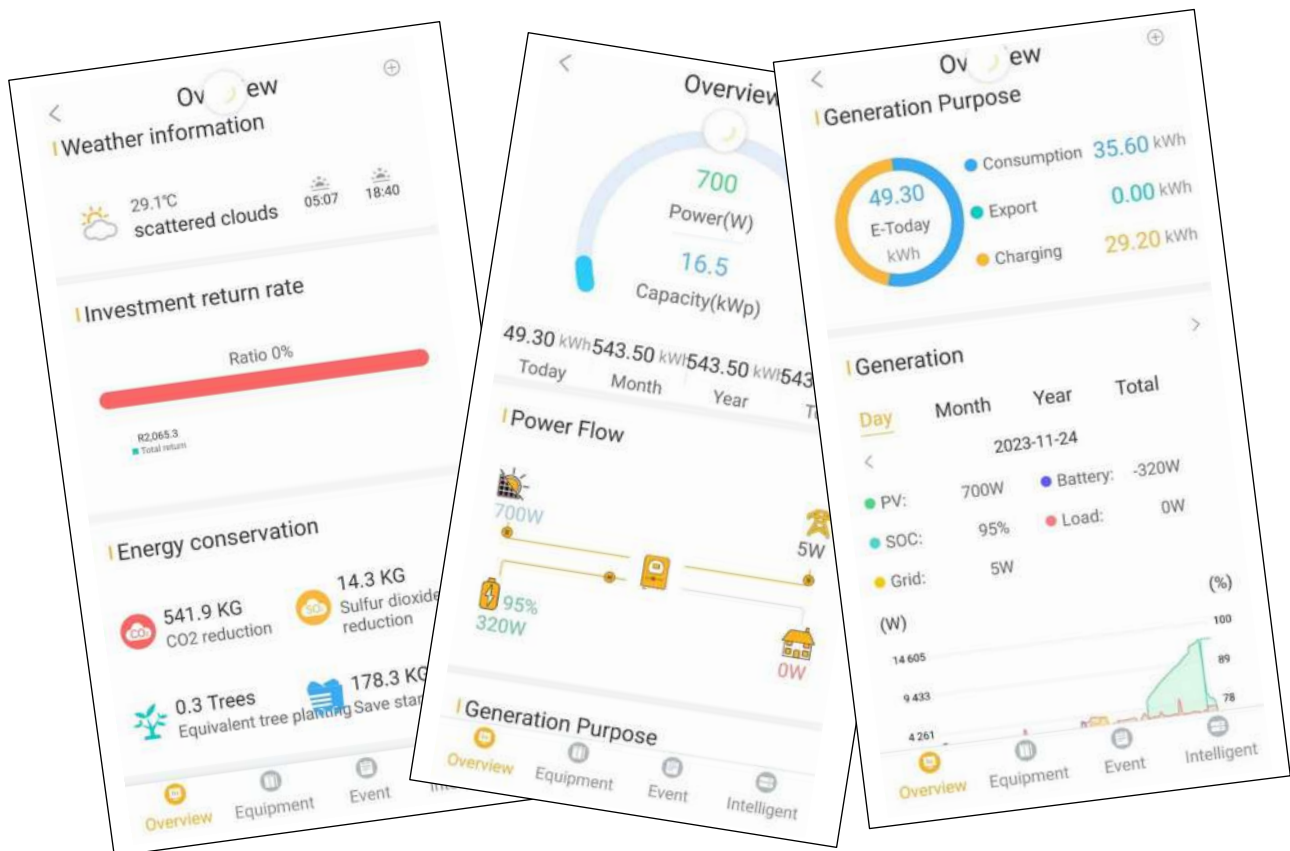
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Update on our solar energy installation

We have gone live with solar energy! We are helping to save the planet by reducing our carbon footprint considerably. This also puts us in the position to provide a more seamless service to our residents during times of ESKOM loadshedding. Communication and access are also improved with uninterrupted camera feed for our parents and guardians who can now log in during loadshedding to see how their loved ones are doing. There will also be no more issues with the intercom and motor gate.



Thank you

Zion Brother Club Kempton Park made their annual donation toward our pantry. Thank you very much!



DSV held a walkathon around their building at Plumbago Park and collected a mountain of toiletries for our home. They also donated a wheelchair which Jason Strydom will be using. Thank you to Eleanor van der Merwe (Senior Communication Consultant, Shared Services) and the DSV team.



Donations wish list

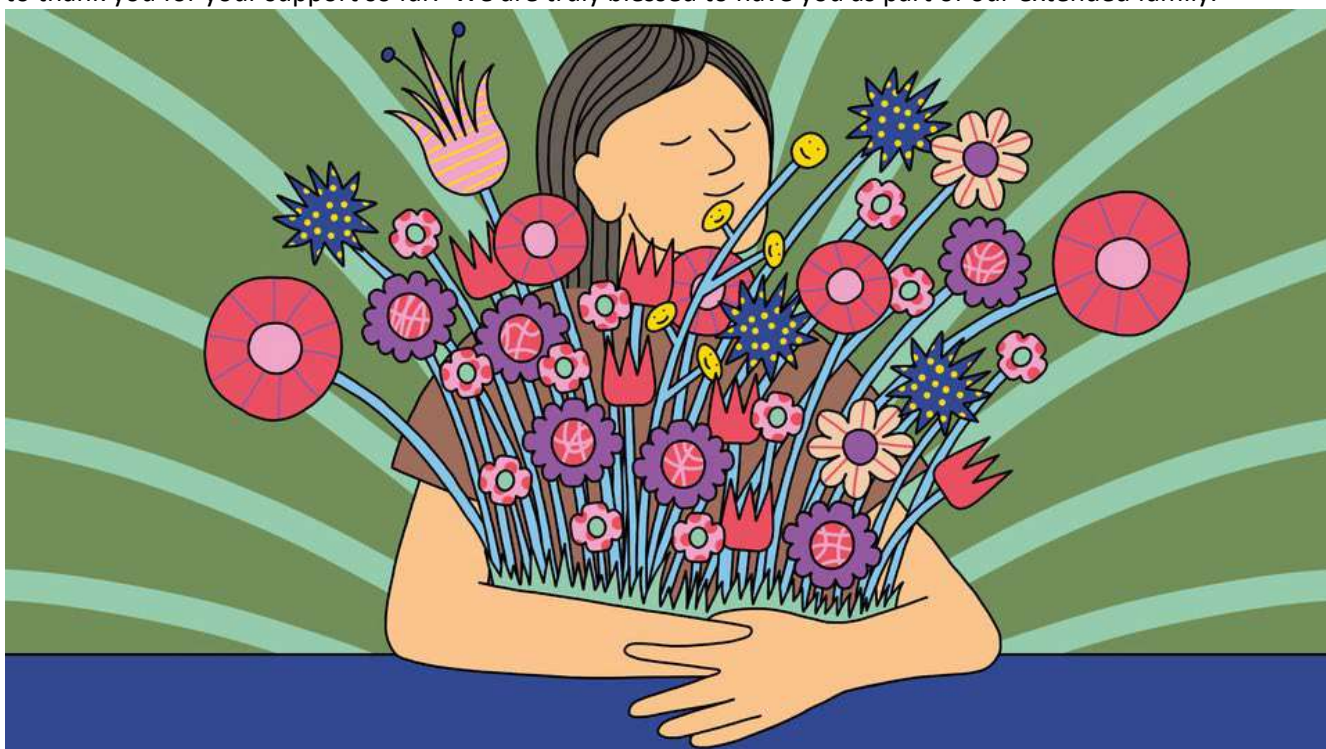
Our current wish list includes corned meat (Bully Beef), Pilchards canned fish, sugar, oats, maize meal, Weetbix, and All Bran Flakes (diabetics). Our stock of fresh meat is low too. We can utilise minced meat and chicken.

We need paint for the renovation of the garage and shop after the fire.

We need 3 large wall-mounted fans for the hot summer days.

We would also like to introduce water therapy in the courtyard during the hot summer days and for that we need an Intex plastic swimming pool.

To all our donors, supporters, volunteers and community members, we would just like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support so far. We are truly blessed to have you as part of our extended family.



Life at Casa Caritas

Danny Coetzee and Kurhula Mashene enjoy viewing television together.



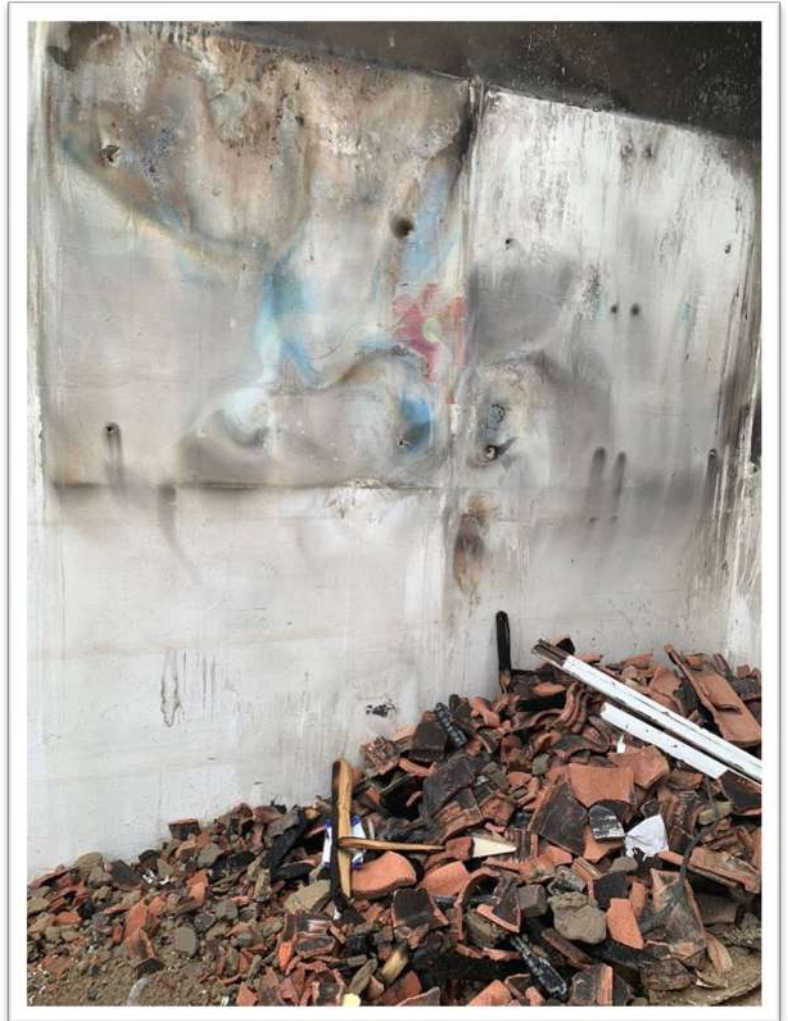
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Fire damage update

Although the fire department has not yet issued us with their final report, we can safely assume that the fire in our garage last month was caused by an old faulty geyser. Electricians have been on site to check our electrical installation and they didn't find any further red flags. The insurance company has approved our claim and reparations are underway.

Operations Assistant Natanya's daughter Carli captured the picture on the right in the garage during the clean-up. House mother Wourene provided a caption, **Ashes to Beauty** based on Isaiah 61:3, "To all who mourn in Israel, He will give a crown of beauty for ashes, a joyous blessing instead of mourning, festive praise instead of despair. In their righteousness, they will be like great oaks that the Lord has planted for his own glory."

Following the fire and damage to our stock, Something Blue, our second-hand shop, has been closed until further notice. It is heading for Something New and will be reopened once it has been revived.



VACANT ROOMS AT CASA CARITAS 24/7 CARE

We have vacant rooms for residents and open spaces for day visitors. Applicants must be 14 years or younger. The age restriction applies only to admission. Residents stay for as long as they fit into our care protocol. For most residents Casa Caritas becomes their life-long home away from home.

Applicants must be both physically and mentally handicapped. Each applicant is evaluated on merit. Apply to ceo@casacaritas.org.za.



**CHRISTMAS TREE
CELEBRATION**

Casa Caritas

*Please come and join
us on **3 December at 11AM**
Please bring your own **snacks
and drinks**
We will supply the rest*

*RSVP: To Adelia
admin@casacaritas.org.za/whats app 072 071 989*

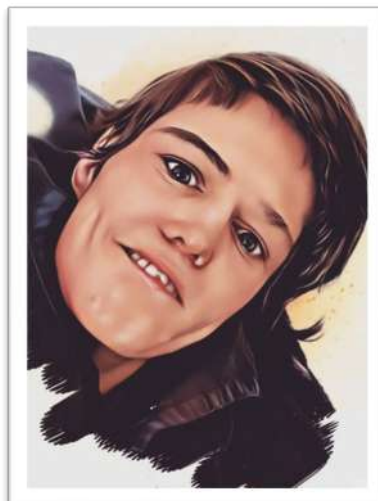
The Christmas Tree for the residents will be from 11:00 – 12:00 in the playroom. Please bring gifts early/before to allow us time to include your gifts in the ceremony. There will once again be a picnic in the garden afterwards. Tables, chairs with umbrellas will be available. Please bring your own drinks and snacks. We will supply ice cream and cones for dessert.

Happy Birthday!

Chris-Jan Van Rensburg (36)
05 November 2023



Nadia Swanepoel (31)
19 November 2023



Kurhula Mashene (11)
28 November 2023



SAVE THE DATE

CASA CARITAS

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Thursday 22 February 2024

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Angie Diedericks Suicide Prevention Program

"THIS TOO SHALL PASS"
(King Solomon-1852)

This free program assists South African adolescents aged 12 to 18 years who have suicidal thoughts and are in crisis. 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 and E-Mail links to counsellors. Remember:

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