

## VOSLOORUS SAFE HOUSE AND CHRECE

The Safe House was established in 2001. She was registered with Department of Social Development in September 2007. Caroline received a Health Practitioner Certificate in November 2007. We use the Safe House to place abandoned children. This is only a temporary placement. We look for alternative arrangements for fostering. She also accommodates orphaned street children. She has a feeding scheme in the informal settlement in Vosloorus. She is running an ECD Center (Early Childhood Development). We assist her with her feeding scheme in the informal settlements. At present we are feeding 860 people. We also assist her with all her daily requirements. We have fortunately found a sponsor to purchase land in Heidelberg, only 15 km away where we hope to start building soon. We are also using the ground to do a veggie garden. Caroline's current property is sadly a little too small especially for the placing of children who have been removed from their homes as a result of abuse, abandonment etc. Our Founder/Director, who is a senior member of Child Protection Unit, frequently has to remove children within the same area. The plans have been submitted and we are now appealing to the corporate and private section for sponsorship toward the building of the new property. She houses Children from 3 months to 10 years. Caroline is a HIV/AIDS Councilor. We have made progress by assisting her in the feeding scheme and our aim is now to develop her skills so that the Home may grow. Thuthuzela, A sign of hope and comfort where frowns are replaced by smiles and tears are replaced by contentment, where hope, healthy life and justice replace despair.

### **A NEW PROJECT FOR THE SAFE HOUSE THIS IS A PROJECT FOR HEIDELBERG**

There has been a huge influx of Vulnerable Children into the Safe House

This is why they are planning to erect **Boys and Girl's Villages**,

**Boy's Village** will accommodate 20 Boys

**Girl's village** will accommodate 20 Girls

**And then a Baby Sanctuary** will accommodate 10 babies

**A (CRÈCHE)** will be linked to the Children's Safe House

## **GERMISTION HOME FOR ABANDONED & ABUSED CHILDREN (FOSTER CARE CLUSTER)**

Johannesburg Child Welfare Director had told Yvonne to contact Chubby Chums for the correct procedure and protocols for the registration of the Home. 22 Children that have been abandoned and abused are placed in the Home. We are busy liaising with all Government Departments, regarding the registration and proto-call of the Children's Home. We have assisted in supplying the Regulatory Fire Extinguisher, First Aid Kit and Fire Blankets. We are now in the process of turning this Home into a Foster Cluster Home. They are also doing a feeding scheme in the Alberton Informal Settlement. Yvonne is entirely devoted to the Children and looks upon them as her own. The Home has an outreach program of ours. They have a workshop in Germiston, "Self Help Project" to assist in sustaining themselves.

### **A HOME FOR CHILDREN THAT IS IN NEED OF CHILD CARE AND PROTECTION**

#### **Place of Safety for abused and abandoned children**

Our founder and director has been ask to meteor this home as it is a very new home there is a relationship that has been established between the home and is been capacity and development with our director

### **Putting the children first**

Children in South Africa live in a society under our Constitution that has the highest regard for their rights and for the equality and dignity of everyone. Protecting children from violence, exploitation and abuse is not only a basic value, but also an obligation clearly set out in Article 28 of the South African Constitution. Despite the best efforts of the South African Government and civil society to protect children from child abuse, neglect and exploitation, it is a fact that many children still remain vulnerable.

To advance the best interests of children in all matters affecting them

To promote and enable the realization of the rights to survival, development, protection and participation

To mobilize resources at all levels for children 's need and development Children like adults, are not a homogeneous group they have different needs ,views ,experience and wishes and these may vary with their age and stage of development

We have started to feed in Marathon informal settlement and doing a soup kitchen in a school at the informal settlement in primrose to make sure that the children get a plate of food each day

We remain concerned for young people growing up in Gauteng with our rapid urbanization, informal settlements, single parent or child headed households, increased maternal HIV infection rate, poverty and difficulty in accessing child protection and other essential services. We seek to maximize our impact through continued services, digital information dissemination to empower communities to deal with these social ills and promote positive transformation.

Chubby Chums and the children's homes subscribes to the following values:

The best interest of the child - this principal governs all our work in the child protection system

Child-Centeredness - provide child-centered services that take cognizance of the rights of children and young and

The home is doing a feeding scheme 7 days a week we are in the presses of registered with Department of Social Development as a CYCC child and youth care center Our experience at Chubby Chums well-known brand and our grassroots Community Centers gives us a unique position from which to intervene effectively to strengthen families and communities, promoting the African concept that children are central to our future.