## Stop their tears

Daiheka guest house supports bedridden patients financially

The Homecare Foundation is proud to be affiliated with Daiheka guest house. It is people like Theresa Brits that make the Foundation's task so much easier to fulfil.

Our duty is to provide financial support to caretakers of bedridden patients. There is enormous emotional and financial pressure on caretakers. Our current food price increases contributes to more stress. We wish it was possible to ease a caretaker's emotional pain... We are however grateful that Daiheka guest house helps to ease the financial pressure.

The caretakers that receive financial support have nowhere to turn. They cannot support their bedridden patients on the government's social grants alone. These caretakers do not want to abandon seriously ill patients who are to weak to look after themselves.

We are really proud to be South Africans. It is most likely the only country where people from different races and cultures teamed up to support the most vulnerable (irrespective of race or religion) living under extreme circumstances. People are willing to contribute financially even when business is tough.

There are numerous people working at different companies that partnered with the Homecare Foundation to support our great cause. This includes people such as financial advisors, estate agents, motor sales executives. Please visit the www.homecare.org.za website to read more about the people that put the needs of others before their own.

One may think that it is only people living in previously disadvantaged areas that receive financial support. The reality is that people are caught off-guard by a sudden incidence where a family member becomes in need of frail care support. They often cannot change their circumstances within a short period and they became desperate for financial support, even if it is only needed for a short period.

You may know of a person in such a problematic position. Please ask them to contact the Horrecare Foundation and apply for financial support. Their personal information will be kept confidential.

The Homecare Foundation can only provide its important service, due to companies such as our national sponsors who cover operational (admin) costs. They also contribute towards the care takers.

We furthermore need to thank André Paulsen from BP Gordons bay for their contributions. BP Gordons bay is one of our fuel station partners that teamed up to pay the fund raising team's costs. The team is tasked to organize events such as golf days, source donations from companies and also visit caretakers in their areas. You can follow us on Facebook or visit our website to learn more about upcoming events.

All our partners contribute to a marketing fund which the Homecare Foundation uses for monthly competitions. We implement different strategies to source donations for the caretakers. We also want to involve the public with the project. Please read more about the exciting competitions and how you can help bedridden patients on page 182





