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FUNDRAISING PROPOSAL

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MALACHI PLACE OF SAFETY

















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"Every child deserves love, safety, and a chance to thrive. At Malachi Place of Safety, we provide more than just shelter—we offer a family, a future, and unconditional love. With the support of our community, we turn love into action and give these little hearts the fresh start they deserve."

– AUDREY BRUMMER



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Malachi Place of Safety was started in Cape Town in 2005 by Audrey and Ruan Brummer, who saw how many abused and abandoned children had nowhere safe to go. They opened their own home. More than 20 years later, 173 children have found safety, love and the chance to trust adults again at Malachi.

Ruan spent more than 30 years in the South African Police Service, retiring as Unit Commander in the Family Violence, Child Protection and Sexual Offences Unit. He saw first-hand what happens to children when there is no safe place for them. Audrey is the house mother and the heart of Malachi.

For most of its life, Malachi has been funded by the Brummer family themselves. Since Ruan retired in 2021, he has been paying for much of the running costs from his pension. That is not sustainable, and it is why we are asking for help.

It costs about R1,600 a day (around R49,000 a month) to run our two homes. The government safety grant is just R33 per child per day, and grant payments are often delayed for months. Donors and partners make up the difference.

We are asking individuals and companies to give monthly, from as little as R250 a month, or to fund one of the costed projects in this proposal. Every rand goes to the children's daily care.

Our year at a glance (2024/25 annual report)

•13 children cared for in our safe house, staying anything from a weekend to a few months

•5 children living with us permanently as part of the family

•83 children received a gift at our Christmas party, including children from partner homes

•11 children driven to school, sport and the doctor in our Kombi

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OUR MISSION

To give abused and abandoned children a safe, loving family home and the support they need to heal and thrive. We meet their everyday needs (food, clothing, medical care and schooling) and give them something many have never had: a normal childhood with adults who stay.

Two homes, two kinds of care

•The safe house. Social workers place children with us while their case is investigated. Children often arrive at night, frightened, with only the clothes they are wearing. Bella, our safe house mother, gives them a warm bed, a full plate and stability.
•Our family home. Some children stay with us permanently and grow up as part of the family, going to school, playing sport and planning their futures.

The challenge

The government safety grant of R33 per child per day covers only a fraction of what it costs to care for a child properly. Groceries alone cost about R14,000 a month. Without regular donors, Malachi cannot keep its doors open.
In 2024/25 (our latest annual report), total income was R1,093,823 and total expenses were R1,080,753, leaving just R13,070 in the bank. Our biggest costs were the Kombi (a once-off purchase made possible by our sponsors), groceries, rent, salaries and maintenance.



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WHERE YOUR SUPPORT GOES

These are the costs that keep Malachi running. You can give towards our general running costs, or choose a specific project.

What it pays for	Cost	What it does
Groceries	About R14,000 a month	Feeds a household of 11 to 15 people
Safe house rent	About R9,400 a month	Keeps the safe house open for children placed by social workers
Caregivers' salaries	About R8,800 a month	Pays our house mothers, Audrey and Bella, who care for the children day and night
The school run	R6,000+ a month	Fuel, maintenance and insurance for the Kombi that takes 11 children to school, sport and the doctor
Home maintenance	About R12,000	Fixing damp issues, roof leaks, and gate and fence maintenance
Christmas party	R250 per child	Food, games and a gift from Santa for every child who has come through our doors

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FUNDING PRIORITIES

- **Home maintenance.** Our second home, which was donated to Malachi, needs about R12,000 of repairs to fix damp and roof leaks so it stays safe and dry for the children.
- **Fair pay for our caregivers.** Our house mothers, Audrey and Bella, care for the children day and night for very little pay. We want to pay them fairly so they can keep doing this work.
- **The school run.** Our Kombi takes 11 children to school, sport and the doctor. Fuel, maintenance and insurance cost more than R6,000 a month.
- **Christmas.** Every year we invite back every child who has ever come through our doors. For many, the gift from Santa is the only present they will receive all year. R250 gives one child their Christmas.
- **Education and well-being.** School costs, uniforms, stationery, extra-murals, clothing and medical care. Some children arrive with serious medical conditions that need ongoing specialist treatment. Others excel and need financial support.

OUR RUGBY STAR



He just turned 17, with a love for sport, mostly Mountain Biking and Rugby. He has really excelled in his school rugby and he was also selected for the Western Province Touch Rugby team, his team played against teams from all over the country and won their division. Thanks to our dedicated fundraising team, he was able to go on both tours he was picked for and we could buy him the team kits and boots. We are beyond proud that he achieved Western Province colours TWICE.

OUR LITTLE BALLERINA



Our little ballerina (8 years) was committed to her ballet all year, performed in her ballet school show, was graded and moved up a level. We are so proud of her progress and grateful to Dance Domain for donating towards her ballet costume.

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OUR SICKLY MAN



Our sick little man (10 years) faced a tough year with many ups and downs. His ongoing battle with Nephrotic Syndrome and his severe skin issues meant countless hospital visits, new creams, and diet changes. While we haven't won this fight yet, we feel hopeful that we are on the right path. He has grown up so much in the past 12 months, really becoming the older brother to some of the youngsters in the house, he is constantly improving and is such a great reminder to be happy even when things are tough.

OUR LITTLE MIRACLE



Another beautiful moment was watching our little miracle (born at 25 weeks, now 4 years old) overcome challenges. She was diagnosed with autism, and adjusting to a regular playgroup school was incredibly difficult. After months of searching and visiting schools, we finally found the perfect place for her. She is settling in, and the progress is already visible. A huge thank you to Kids at Edu Play, in Edgemead for their kindness in allowing her to attend the school. We are also deeply grateful to our donors, who made it possible for her to take part in extra developmental activities.

OUR QUIET TEENAGER



We are incredibly proud of our quiet yet determined teenager (15 years), whose gentle spirit and kind heart make her a beloved part of our home. She excelled in her final exams, proving her dedication and hard work in school. Beyond academics, she discovered a passion for playing the guitar, showing a newfound confidence in her musical abilities. With her soft-hearted nature, she embraces her role as a big sister with grace and care, offering guidance and support to those around her. Her quiet strength and loving presence are truly cherished at Malachi Place of Safety.

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A SUSTAINABLE WAY FORWARD

Audrey and Ruan are determined to secure Malachi's future beyond their own pockets. We are building a base of monthly donors, partnering with local businesses for CSI, and running fundraising events and campaigns. Your support bridges the gap while this grows.

For companies

•**Tax deductible.** We issue Section 18A tax certificates for monetary donations. Companies can deduct qualifying donations of up to 10% of taxable income.
•**Accountable.** Registered NPO 062-457 and PBO 930032139, with a published annual report.
•**Visible impact.** We send partners a short impact report with photos they can share, and thank them on our website and social media if they would like.
•**Get your team involved**. Mandela Day projects, collection drives, payroll giving and pro bono skills.
Proven partnerships: Leppard and Cape Town Assessing Services sponsored the Kombi that takes our children to school.

How to give

Give monthly or once-off online: www.malachiplaceofsafety.com/donate
EFT or debit order:
FNB Cheque Account
Malachi Place of Safety
Account number: 622 115 468 35
Branch code: 200410 (N1 City)
Reference: your name or company name

SnapScan: scan our code or pay at pos.snapscan.io/qr/1V81dCbH
Email us after you donate for your Section 18A certificate.

Talk to us

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Together, we can give every child a safe place to grow up.