



## VISION Independence

### A Jakaranda and Louis Botha Children's Home Initiative



**Jakaranda**  
Kinder en Gesinsorg Maatskappy  
Child and Family Care Centre  
Reg. Kinderhuis/Children's Home



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Independence**



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**VISION Independence** is a community-driven initiative that assists school-leaving children from the Jakaranda and Louis Botha Children's Homes in any way possible when their time comes to leave the safety of the Home.

**Non-profit organisations - situated in East Lynn and Queenswood, Pretoria, South Africa**



## A Glance at the Jakaranda and Louis Botha Children's Homes

The Jakaranda and Louis Botha Children's Homes are community-based projects that are managed by a board of directors comprising members from the community. Established in 1987 and 1918 respectively, the Jakaranda and Louis Botha Children's Homes are non-profit organisations and Article 21 registered companies that develop and care for the welfare of abused, abandoned and neglected children who have been placed in our care by the South African Children's Court. Our main purpose is to provide the children with clothing, housing, schooling, food, security and stability.

The Jakaranda and Louis Botha Children's Homes currently look after 350 children between the ages of 18 months and 18 years. The Children's Homes strive to dismiss the developmental hindrances that its children have experienced and to introduce them to a wide range of opportunities, develop their skills, and aid them in reaching their full potential. This will enable the children to act as responsible adults when they leave the Homes.

### A Glance at VISION Independence

#### What happens to the children when they leave the Home?

Children who are placed in a child care centre are legally obligated to leave at the age of 18 or at the end of their secondary education. Having spent most of their lives in the care of the Jakaranda or Louis Botha Children's Home, they feel a lot of uncertainty and fear when it is time to leave.

These young adults have no economic or emotional support, but have no choice than to face the world on their own. VISION Independence strives to change this by filling the void.

A group of people from the community have taken on the responsibility to support these children financially and emotionally. Their role is to find a place for the children where they feel a sense of belonging and where they can make a valuable contribution to society.

### Our Vision

The VISION Independence dream is that every young adult one day provides not only for his/her own basic needs, but also has a vision of a blooming, independent future irrespective of their past.

### Our Mission

VISION Independence strives to help young adults overcome their developmental delays in order to reach their full potential, to become self sufficient and to make a valuable contribution to the broader community.

### What Do We Do?

School leavers have many needs. VISION Independence strives to provide the following to the children:

- ✓ We support children with transport, groceries and accommodation;
- ✓ We provide basic furniture and appliances;
- ✓ We offer opportunities for further study;
- ✓ We provide career counselling;
- ✓ We offer financial advice;
- ✓ We help where medical or therapeutic services are needed; and
- ✓ We help with personal needs and provide emotional support and guidance.

## Become Involved

VISION Independence invites you to participate in this developmental programme. Opportunities include:

- ✓ Financial - contributions are used to pay for tertiary education and other academic opportunities, text books, accommodation, transport etc.
- ✓ Resources and gifts in kind - such as basic appliances, furniture, equipment, and facilities that can be used in the kitchen, bedroom and bathroom, as well as clothing, groceries, stationary and computer equipment.
- ✓ Accommodation - for one or several school leavers
- ✓ Job opportunities and bursaries
- ✓ Professional services - such as career planning, medical aid, etc.

## Volunteering Opportunities

Assist with:

- ✓ Job placements
- ✓ Skills training
- ✓ Accommodation
- ✓ Transport
- ✓ Medical and therapeutic services
- ✓ Career counselling and driver license training

## The Road Ahead

VISION Independence is working towards being able to accommodate its school leaving children in its own premises. Property ownership will eliminate much of the children's stress and give them the opportunity to concentrate on their studies and adapt to their new after-school life. It will also give the organisation an opportunity to assist more children. This "commune" would be situated in mid-city Pretoria and would help save on rent and travel expenses as well as leverage on bulk savings.

## Differentiating Factors

VISION Independence provides sponsors with a unique opportunity to make a difference in the lives of orphans and destitute children by helping to secure a future outside the security of one of our Homes.

VISION Independence aims to achieve its objectives by involving companies and private individuals by offering the following benefits:

### ESTABLISHED COMMUNITY BRAND

As an initiative of the Jakaranda and Louis Botha Children's Homes, VISION Independence provides sponsors the security of established community-based brands and conducts its fund raising activities under the auspices of the Jakaranda and Louis Botha Children's Homes.

### EXPERT MANAGEMENT

VISION Independence is spearheaded by a management committee comprising experienced individuals from the Homes. The committee's responsibilities include the overall management of its sponsors' participation, as well as planning and conducting the fundraising initiatives.

All funding is managed by the Jakaranda Children's Home.

### TAXATION EXEMPTION

Both the Jakaranda and the Louis Botha Children's Home have been approved by the Tax Exemption Unit of SARS under Section 18A of the Income Tax Act (No. 58 of 1962) as public benefit organisations. Donations, financial or in kind, are therefore tax deductible by the donor, whether an individual or a corporation, in terms of and subject to the limitations prescribed in Section 18A of the Act.

### BLACK ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

VISION Independence, together with Jakaranda and Louis Children's Homes, is BEE compliant.

### MARKETING EXPOSURE

Sponsor names/logos receive exposure on the Jakaranda and Louis Botha Children's Homes' websites and in the respective newsletters. Branding opportunities are available to companies at fundraising events in the form of banners and branded collateral, applicable to the type of fundraising function.

### FEEDBACK AND INFORMATION

Sponsors receive regular updates and ongoing feedback by the managing committee pertaining to the progress of VISION Independence, including all the latest news and events.



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## Contact Details

VISION Independence is a means for companies and individuals to help secure the futures of disadvantaged children.

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## Administration

### Jakaranda Children's Home

NPO Number: 001-649NPO  
Section 18A Registration Number: 18/11/13/1917  
VAT Number: 4250126713  
Section 21 Registration Number: 2001/016848/08

### Louis Botha Children's Home

NPO Number: 001-9NPO  
Section 18A Registration Number: 18/11/13/1504  
VAT Number: 4350128619  
Section 21 Registration Number: 2001/016848/08

### Banking Details:

Jakaranda Children's Home  
Absa Bank  
Cheque account, Derdepoort  
Branch code: 335245  
Account number: 143 014 0724  
Reference: VISION

