



Ethelbert
Child and Youth Care Centre

HOST PROGRAMME

Open your heart and home
to a child who needs a family



WHY HOST

Hosting provides the opportunity for children to experience family life in a loving and caring environment outside of the Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre's campus. It can be a rewarding process for both the child and the host parent/s and family.



HOW TO GET STARTED

If you or someone you know are interested in hosting a child/children, email us at socialwork@ethelbert.co.za. We will get in touch with you to discuss the following process.



PREPARING TO HOST

In preparation for hosting a child/children in your home, the host and every adult in the home, will be required to complete a Form30 and affidavit stating your interest and confirming your eligibility to safely host - having committed no prior criminal and/or sexual offences. These forms together with an ID copy must be certified and submitted to our social worker for processing.



HOME VISITS

Upon processing of the completed documents, a home visit will be scheduled with the placement agency social worker to establish the suitability and safety of the host's home to accommodate a child/children. It is also an opportunity for the social worker to get to know the family in a comfortable setting.

YOU'RE READY TO HOST!

Once the placement agency social worker has completed the home visit and compiled a suitability report, your application will be reviewed in its entirety and a decision will be made.

Your application has been successful!

Our social worker will get in contact to let you know the awesome news. This opportunity will also be used to arrange visit dates for you to meet and get to know the child/children you will be hosting. These visits are important in establishing a positive connection with the host and the child/children so that both feel safe and comfortable in each other's company. Once a healthy report is built, durations of visits can be extended to weekends and holidays.



Thank you for considering becoming a host
& giving a child access to the loving
support of caring families