

MAKE A DIFFERENCE. LET'S MAKE
CHRISTMAS MEMORABLE!

Evergreen Bergvliet

Christmas Douglas Murray Food Drive



We are looking to the generosity of
our residents to take part in
donating non-perishable food items
for the elderly residents at Douglas
Murray Home for the Aged.

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS MAY BE
DROPPED OFF AT RECEPTION BY NO
LATER THAN MONDAY, 3 DECEMBER.



The Douglas Murray Home for the Aged (DMH) has been providing quality residential care for the frail and elderly residents at the home for more than 40 years. Located in the suburb of Retreat on the Cape Flats, the DMH employs more than 50 professionally trained staff members whose primary responsibility it is to provide for the physical, social and emotional needs of the approximately 70 residents at the home on a 24/7 basis. DMH is an independent non-profit organization with its own board of governors. It draws most of its revenue from the board and lodging fee charged to clients and from the frail care subsidy received from the Department of Social Development. In addition the organization also raises funds through regular appeals to donor agencies and charitable trusts, and to benevolent organizations and individuals.

However, the depressed state of the economy has had a devastating effect on the fundraising climate in the country with many organizations cutting back on their social spend. In addition many of the current residents at the home come from very poor backgrounds and are unable to afford to pay the full board and lodging fee of R4800 per month. This has had a severe and negative impact on the operations budget of DMH and its ability to sustain its frail care programme.

