



Ruach Elohim Foundation

...is a Child Protection Organization in Namibia focussing on the awareness and prevention of baby dumping, as well as the care of unwanted, abandoned, abused, and neglected babies in Namibia

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Founders Dick and Ronel Peters have opened their hearts and their home to accommodate and care for unwanted, abandoned, abused and neglected babies from all over Namibia.

They are registered by the Directorate of Child Welfare Services as Foster Parents and by the Ministry of Gender Equality and Child Welfare as a Child Protection Organization.



They started an **awareness** campaign in 2019 and travelled through Namibia to raise **awareness regarding baby dumping**. This is a horrific problem the country and innocent babies are facing.

Namibia decriminalized baby dumping in February 2019, which means mothers are allowed to leave their unharmed babies anonymously at a safe place like a hospital, police station or haven like Ruach Elohim Foundation without facing prosecution.

Although the law has changed specifically to prevent baby dumping, several cases of dumping sadly still occur.

Think Inside the Box!

The Baby Saver Box initiative was born in October 2019 due to the constant rise of baby dumping in Namibia. The box gives a safe alternative for mothers who don't want or cannot take care of their babies to leave them safely and anonymously instead of killing or dumping them.



Should a baby be placed in the box, the box will lock automatically from the outside. The baby is safe inside. A message will be sent via sms to seven different recipients who will immediately respond.

Within minutes the baby will be removed and taken to a Medical Practitioner to be examined and treated if need be. Our social worker will be informed and the baby will be put in a place of safety until all legal procedures are done for the baby to be adopted.

The Baby Saver Box is located on the corner of Dr Schwietering and Bottle Tree Street in Ocean View, Swakopmund. Available 24/7

We offer free transport to and from the Baby Saver Box
No questions asked, no prosecution!
"Because every baby deserves to live"

Contact us on 081 242 6396



Pregnant? Scared? Confused? Alone?

Do you have an unplanned pregnancy or unwanted baby?



PLEASE DO NOT DUMP, ABANDON, KILL OR ABORT YOUR BABY!!
We can and will help you.

Confidentiality is assured
Free support and guidance offered
No judgement or obligations
Available 24/7
Phone or WhatsApp us **081 242 6396**



NOTICE

DO NOT DUMP YOUR BABY



AND BE PROSECUTED

CONTACT RUACH ELOHIM FOUNDATION ON 081 242 6396

SAFE ALTERNATIVE

Find us at:
DR SCHWIETERING
BOTTLE TREE STR

If you have questions or need transport to the Baby Saver Box please phone or WhatsApp 081 242 6396



"Do you have an unwanted or unplanned baby? Are you thinking of dumping your baby?"



Please leave your unharmed baby safely in our Baby Saver Box situated on the corner of Dr Schwietering and Bottle Tree Str in Ocean View, Swakopmund and give your baby a chance to live!

We offer free transport to and from the baby box
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dumping in Namibia.

Since 2016 more than 234 baby
dumping cases have been
recorded in Namibia, and most of
these babies sadly not surviving.



Since the start of this Foundation, more than 80 babies have been cared for in their home from which more than 31 babies came through the Baby Saver Box.

Ruach Elohim Foundation is a life-saving, alternative option to a rubbish skip or a filthy dumpsite.



NOTICE

DO NOT DUMP YOUR BABY HERE



LEAVE YOUR UNHARMED BABY IN THE BABY SAVER BOX ON THE CORNER OF DR SCHWIETERING AND BOTTLE TREE STREET NR 5066

CONTACT RUACH ELOHIM FOUNDATION ON 081 242 6396 FOR MORE INFORMATION





The foundation which acts as a place of safety in Namibia, also focusses on vulnerable babies between the ages of 0 – 2 years.

They house special needs babies who receive intensive occupational therapy every week to help them develop to their full potential.





Apart from providing for their basic needs, we strive to give and maintain a high standard of care to meet every baby's spiritual, emotional, educational, physical, medical & social needs.



Foundation achievement:

- Since establishment, the Foundation has provided care for over 80 babies.
- To date, 31 babies have been saved through our Baby Saver Box program.
- 33 babies have been successfully adopted through the Foundation's legal adoption process.
- 36 babies have been reunited with their families, either maternal or paternal.
- 4 babies have undergone life-changing surgeries, including cleft lip repairs, hydrocephalus treatment, and eye surgeries.
- Additionally, we operate a hospital outreach program, distributing branded bags filled with essential baby items to new mothers in maternity wards. The aim is to spread hope and awareness.



**ALTHOUGH THE FOUNDATION IS BASED IN ERONGO REGION, WE SERVE
THE WHOLE OF NAMIBIA**

TO DATE WE HAVE RECEIVED 35 BABIES FROM OTHER REGIONS.



**No baby can choose their parent,
no baby can choose their fate. All they have is our mercy**

Vision

To eliminate baby dumping entirely in Namibia.

Ensure abandoned children placed into loving family homes to minimize psychological harm.

Educate women nationwide on their options and the adoption process, removing fear and encouraging life-saving decisions.

Provide holistic care for each child—spiritual, emotional, educational, physical, medical, and social.



Future Objectives

- Launch awareness campaigns by branding rubbish dumps and skips to prevent baby dumping.
- Acquire a larger facility with specialized areas for special needs, therapy, play, and education.
- Hire a full-time pre-primary educator for toddlers.
- Employ a registered medical professional for medical care and interventions.
- Establish a thrift store offering affordable baby items to mothers in need.
- Develop and implement a training program for caretakers and staff.

Our offering



Although our dedicated focus is on preventing baby dumping and caring for abandoned and neglected babies, we can offer:

- A reach of 148,000 Facebook followers.
- Sponsorship recognition on digital prints and awareness posters.
- Availability for corporate and radio presentations when needed.

Key funding needs



Our daily & monthly needs are:

- Pampers or Huggies nappies Nr. 1 - 5
- Infacare, S26 Nr. 1 - 3
- Wet wipes
- Tissues & Toilet paper
- Baby shampoo
- Baby aqueous crème
- Washing Powder
- Baby snacks ("Hey Baby" teething biscuits, Cheese Curls)
- Baby porridge
- Baby purity & Squish Pouches
- Cleaning Materials, Sanitizer
- Funds for salaries of caretakers, medical & therapy expenses,
- Fuel expenses (Doctor's visits, Awareness)
- Funding for raising Awareness (Flyers, posters, outreaches, travel costs)

Vouchers always come in handy for daily unforeseen needs.
Dischem, Woermann Brock, Checkers, Shoprite & Pick 'n Pay

- Cover medical procedures and care.
- Pay staff salaries and appoint skilled individuals in key roles.
- Support daily expenses like food, utilities, nappies, clothing, fuel, school fees, and rent.
- To fund advertising, awareness campaigns, branding, and printing.
- Cover legal and labor costs.
- Launch an adoption awareness campaign.
- Establish a volunteer mentorship program.
- Develop a training program for caretakers and staff.
- Purchase larger vehicle for transportation

Budget Outline

*Babyboxes in every region - Timeline: End of 2025
- Estimate amount: R45000

*Awareness posters on 100 skips in Swakopmund area:
- Timeline: June 2025
- Estimate amount needed: R50 000

*Bigger vehicle for safe transportation of babies
- Timeline: Dec 2026
- Estimate amount needed: R250 000

*Full time pre-primary teacher:
Timeline: January 2025
Estimate: R8000 p/m

*Thrift store:
Timeline: June 2025
Estimate: R60 000



*Professional Medical Person for babies with special needs:
Timeline: 2030 (comes with bigger property)
Estimate: R15000 p/m

*Purchasing of bigger property:
Timeline: 2030
Estimate: R10 000 000

*Training programme
Timeline: January 2025
Estimate: R10 000



Ruach Elohim

means

*Breath
of God*

Every breath
deserves
a chance
to live and be
loved.



Thank you

FOR YOUR SUPPORT



We make a living by what we get, but we
change lives by what we give.