

Anneline Plaatjies

Anneline Plaatjies is a hardworking woman that serves as a Sub-Council Volunteer for the Informal Settlements Department. Outside of her work, she is a devoted mother to two children: Carin (19 years old) and Mekyle (16 years old).



A Little Bit More about Anneline

Anneline grew up in Mitchells Plain in a big family composed of her mom, her dad, her four sisters and her brother. She attended school, completed her primary studies and continued until she reached grade 10. Years later she returned to school to complete her matriculation in 2011. She hopes to continue her studies one day. During her teenage years, she worked in a shop. After some years, she met her ex-husband, Peter, with whom she had her daughter Carin. Three years later, they had a son named Mekyle and decided to marry. After many years together they legally divorced

to improve their economic situation. Since then, Anneline has gone through some rough times. Currently, her situation is improving with her employment status with the city and the love and support she receives from her children.

Interests & Hobbies

Anneline's favorite activity is going to the beach. She also enjoys dancing, and is eager to learn new steps like the salsa. In her free time, she likes to sleep and cook at home. Also she is a very devoted mother, and considers looking after her children one of her most rewarding responsibilities.

Job as a Field Officer

Her job with the Council started in 2005 as a seasonal employment of three months work per year. Even though she had been a supervisor at a security company in the past, she wanted to work with people and decided to take this career path. Among the different duties she has to perform as a field officer, she values the interactions with people she encounters. Anneline also likes the challenges she faces every day at work. One of the most notorious challenges she faces is seeing someone in need and not being able to help them. Therefore, she tries to be there as much as possible and volunteer her time. She wants to gain more experience in order to apply for a higher position and be able to help more people.

An Opportunity in Flamingo

Anneline wants to see a brighter future for the children in Flamingo. She wants them to finish school so they do not adopt their parent's mindset. Also she believes that with the reblocking and upgrading process, things will improve. She hopes a crèche or similar type of facility will be established to improve the children's safety and get them out of the streets. She is a firm believer in education and she believes that by increasing literacy, many of these children could improve their lives.



A Glimpse into the Future

Anneline's main goal is to obtain a permanent house and to see her children's future prosper. She wants them to own their own homes and for them to feel free and not afraid. These aspirations mean everything to Anneline so she plans to keep working hard to achieve them. Anneline also wants to inspire her children to never give up and always work hard for what they deserve.

Skills

- ✓ Communication
- Engineering
- ✓ Leadership
- ✓ Entrepreneurial
- Cultural
- ✓ Caring
- Building
- Crafting
- ✓ Musical
- ✓ Cooking
- ✓ Administrative
- Teaching