**CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST:**

**BOARD MEMBER**

**ABBEYFIELD SOUTH AFRICA**

**PREFERABLE CAPE TOWN BASED CANDIDATES**

INVITATION TO SERVE AS BOARD MEMBER FOR ABBEYFIELD SOUTH AFRICA

*Abbeyfield South Africa (ASA) was registered as a NPO in 1985 and the Management Committee embarked on a publicity and fundraising campaign which led to the opening of the first SA Abbeyfield home (in Cape Town) in February 1987. By 1991 there were 8 Local Societies affiliated to ASA. Abbeyfield's success lies in its* ***volunteers*** *(members of the local Abbeyfield Societies) who establish and care for the Abbeyfield homes and their residents. Each Abbeyfield house is owned by the local Abbeyfield Society and made up entirely of volunteers living in its vicinity. To date we have 18 Abbeyfield Societies and 20 wonderful family-style homes that house between 6-10 residents each. At present we are providing care and accommodation for 146 elderly people.*

The ideal Candidate must be willing to devote the necessary time and effort to the duties of a Board Member **voluntarily** and be committed to the aims of the Abbeyfield Society.

* Board level experience
* Integrity, strategic vision and proven leadership skills, coupled with good independent judgement are important qualities to possess.
* Solid understanding of legal responsibilities and liabilities of a board member are non-negotiable with respect to ensuring governance and compliance
* Sound Financial and Business acumen is desirable as is experience of the NPO sector in South Africa
* Knowledge and experience of the housing/care/sheltered housing sector, particularly township development projects will be an advantage

The Board of Abbeyfield SA is a working board and lends support to building the capacity of the organisation and growing its programme services.

Interested candidates must submit a motivation letter and CV to **rudayba@maraisbutton.co.za**

For more information please visit their website: [**www.abbeyfield.co.za**](http://www.abbeyfield.co.za)