

ABOUT US

Bienvenu Shelter embodies the mission of the Scalabrinian Missionary Sisters by walking alongside migrants as “**migrants with migrants**”. With priority given to the most vulnerable, and thanks to the vital collaboration of donors, volunteers, and partner organisations, **we protect and promote the dignity and human rights of Migrant and Refugee Women and their Children**, offering holistic support that empowers them to rebuild their lives.



SERVICES

- ✓ **Safe and secure accommodation for Women and their Children**
- ✓ **Empowerment Programmes**
- ✓ **Outreach Programme**
- ✓ **Baby Room and Creche**

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With heartfelt thanks for your kindness and generosity in supporting those who need it most, we are truly grateful.



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For Refugee Women and their Children



“Welcoming, protecting, promoting and integrating migrants and refugees”

- Pope Francis


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SAFE AND SECURE ACCOMMODATION

During 2025, the Bienvenu Shelter provided safe, temporary accommodation to **95 Migrant and Refugee Women** and **110 Children** from **16 African countries**, offering a protected and welcoming environment where dignity, care and trust are paramount.

Through a **holistic approach**, the Shelter ensures access to health care, legal assistance, and psychosocial support, empowering women and children to regain self-esteem and confidence in order for them to rebuild their lives.



EMPOWERMENT

261 women participated in various training sessions offered during 2025.

193 graduated in the livelihood courses:



- 59 Sewing
- 35 Baking
- 44 Nails
- 39 Make Up
- 11 Hairdressing
- 5 Short courses



OUTREACH

Outreach services were delivered in collaboration with the Pastoral Care for Migrants and Refugees Department of the Archdiocese of Johannesburg.



17.507 families were assisted, totalling **79.542** people indirectly

Outreach is a core service providing essential **support to women and families transitioning out of the Shelter to the community but still requiring small support.**

The programme offers food parcels, basic items, rental assistance, transport to essential services, and longterm psychosocial support.



BABY ROOM AND CRECHE

Bienvenu Shelter provides Early Childhood Development within the Baby Room for children from 0-3 years, and the Crèche for children from 4-6 years, offering a **safe and secure caring environment.**

In 2025, 85 children were enrolled (42 in the Baby Room and 43 in the Crèche), from **12 nationalities**, the highest numbers been from Zimbabwe, South Africa, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Ethiopia, to name a few. **12 children graduated** and all were placed in schools.

