

Father is looking for temporary shelter near his children in Almere

NOO is looking for places where undocumented people can temporarily sleep. Together with local organisations we try to make it possible that someone can make a next step in his live. We are currently looking for a temporary guest room (three months) for Mr. R. in Almere. Do you want help someone from a life on the street? You immediately give someone a chance to make a next step. Read his story and respond or share it with your network if you know people in Almere.

Mr. R. (61) is a Surinamese man who moved to the Netherlands with his family when he was eleven. Unlike his brothers and sisters, he did not receive the Dutch nationality. He did work here in the Netherlands for most of his life. He is a true craftsman who has been making natural stones for years. Mr. R. has children in the Netherlands, but is no longer together with the mother of his three children. In recent years he has lived in Suriname because the undocumented life in the Netherlands became too difficult. But he no longer has ties here and beyond that, he wanted to be with his children so he returned.

Help with the next step

The only way to obtain legal residence is through his children. Then he must prove that he plays a role in the care of his children. And Mr. R. wants nothing more. A life out of illegality, close to his children. He will receive legal guidance to properly submit the application. And he already visits his children as much as possible.

However, he now has a temporary place to sleep in Rotterdam where he will have to leave soon. That is why we are looking for a place to sleep for Mr. R. in Almere where his children live. He lives an independent and active life, so he would like to volunteer somewhere. Just to get off the street, he says himself. Who can offer Mr. R. (a sweet, quiet and sociable man) a temporary place to sleep?

Together with a legal assistant from an aid organization, he developed a plan to work on his next step. In Almere we will help him with appropriate guidance from a volunteer who will help him prepare for his legalization. We give him a monthly living allowance of 50 euros so that he can pay for his own groceries.

Provide temporary shelter

NOO supervises the provision of accommodation. This means that we organize an intake interview and keep in touch with each other in the meantime. We agree on the period to which we will adhere. We always ask for three months of shelter so that it is clear to the shelter provider where they stand. Mr. R. will need a little longer, but as a provider of accommodation you are not responsible for that. We will look for his next place when necessary.

Giving shelter means that you temporarily open your home to someone. Someone has their own guest room and you make agreements about how you will live together temporarily. We think along with someone's needs and practical questions that came up.

Are you considering giving temporary shelter to Mr. R.? You can contact us by emailing info@noo.nl or call Joset van der Hoeven, coordinator of Netwerk Ongedocumenteerden Onderdak (NOO): 06-17196463 (Mon to Fri). If you first have questions about giving temporary shelter, you are welcome to give us a call.

You van also read more on the website (in Dutch):

- [Fill in the form](#) to let us know you are considering giving temporary shelter.
- [Read more about giving shelter.](#)

