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LAUNCH: WHELL PROJECT CASE STUDIES AND TOOL KITS/GUIDANCE NOTES

You are cordially invited to join CARE South Africa-Lesotho and the Mvula Trust for a launch of case studies and tool kits produced as part of the Water, HIV/Aids and Livelihoods Project (WHELL).

The WHELL project has been a 5 ½ year initiative aimed at exploring the nexus of rural water and sanitation services, HIV and Aids, gender and sustainable livelihoods, and providing practical models and solutions to challenges faced by communities and municipalities. As the project draws to a close, we are pleased to be able to present a series of 5 case studies, describing the successes and challenges experienced by communities and local authorities in 3 municipalities – Mutale, Greater Tzaneen and Bushbuckridge – in Limpopo and Mpumalanga Provinces. Each case study concludes with policy and practice recommendations.

In addition to the case studies, WHELL has produced two tool kits/guidance notes: one for enhancing efforts to mainstream gender and HIV/Aids into water services planning and implementation, and one on using a service delivery assessment tool for community engagement in determining needs and the quality of services designed to meet those needs.

Both the case studies and tool kits/guidance notes are based in experience and are designed to promote more holistic thinking and improved practices for water services delivery in ways that meet the needs of those affected by HIV and Aids, and in ways that address gender inequalities. Applying the lessons learned and documented will assist municipalities and community formations to address the burden of HIV and Aids in communities in practical ways, whilst ensuring appropriate service delivery to those most in need.

Please join us on the **26 February 2010, Burger Park Protea Hotel in Pretoria at 09h00.**

Please confirm your participation with Mmatapa Moabelo: Mmoabelo@care.org.za; 083.607.3237 and copy Leah Berkowitz lberkowitz@caresa.co.za

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