

about each other  
and **know**  
that their own  
**well-being**  
is inextricably  
**linked**  
to the well-being  
of **others**

#### Tell me about the WHEAT Trust!

The Women's Hope Education and Training Trust (WHEAT Trust) is a fund started by South African women in 1998 to support women's development initiatives. The WHEAT TRUST is one of 70 women's funds in the world, of which only two work in Southern Africa.

The WHEAT Trust has two main aims:

- 4. To empower women at a grassroots level
- 4. To promote a culture of giving.

#### Why set up a trust for women?

The emergence of women foundations heralds a global shift in thinking and acknowledges the difficulties experienced by women from a variety of countries and cultures. At the United Nations Summit, world leaders adopted a set of principals to address issues around poverty in general and the issue of feminised poverty in particular. The WHEAT Trust is focused on raising funds for grantmaking for women's initiatives, to foster social change. Through our re-granting division, we assist women operating informally at a grassroots level. In addition we secure funds to a permanent capital base, thereby providing the seed money for the granting of awards.

*You can make a difference today!*

*Invest in women and.. invest a better future for all*

#### How does the WHEAT Trust help?

Everywhere in South Africa there are women working hard and giving of their time to make a better life for themselves and their communities. In order to support the efforts of these women leaders, The WHEAT Trust offers an Award that sponsors their Education and Training needs, enabling them to optimise their community work.

The WHEAT Trust Awards Ceremony is held twice a year, where awards are presented to candidates nominated by their communities. These are:  
**THE ANNE HOPE AWARD** - given to a community leader.  
**THE WHEAT TRUST COMMUNITY AWARD** - given to a community group.

The Awards fall into the following categories:

- 4. Health and social services
- 4. Education and Training
- 4. Small medium and micro enterprise initiatives
- 4. Housing
- 4. Human Rights

*If you wish to nominate a women leader  
or a community group for an award,  
please contact our office for the relevant forms.*

#### Who supports the WHEAT Trust?

The WHEAT Trust, is the investment of choice for people who value the role women play in our society as a whole and who wish to facilitate social change at a community level. Our current partners include:

- |                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Charles Stewart Mott    | Global Fund for Women   |
| WamaCash                | Vodacom Foundation      |
| ABSA                    | Golden Arrow Foundation |
| Eminent Women's Network | Nedcor Foundation       |

#### Past award winners

##### PANELA MOSEBYE (2002)

Panela attended an Organisational Development Course, and now coordinates two projects, a food garden and a sewing project. The projects employ several women and supplies goods to the community.



##### ANNE HOPE WINNER

##### ZUBIDA KAHN (2000) - THE WHEAT TRUST COMMUNITY AWARD

Zubida works as a volunteer assisting people to secure housing. The training she received enabled her to access and utilise the services and support of local government structures more fully.

##### REMUNA BOGUE (2000)

##### ANNE HOPE WINNER

Remuna manages an Early Learning Centre in Mfuleni. Her training, care and dedication make her to provide guidance for parents and teachers in existing schools, ensuring understanding of TV and its impact on young children.

##### DAWNIE JANZEN (1999)

##### ANNE HOPE WINNER

Daphne's commitment to her community of Witsell's Plain expressed itself in serving on various committees and organisations. Since winning the Award Daphne has focused on Adult Education, and uses her knowledge to guide and assist women who are victims of domestic violence, equipping them with skills to become economically empowered through small business development training.

##### JOANETTE JOSEPH (1998)

##### ANNE HOPE WINNER

Former a housewife from Kaituma, Joanne chose to use her Award to undertake training to broaden her socio and economic perspectives and give her a better understanding of the role and workings of local government structures. As a result Joanne led the Women's Alliance to persuade the Local Authority to take up projects to improve local community facilities such as the improvement of roads, installation of streetlights and the establishment of a park.



*Anne Hope presenting a community award*

*How will my network or organisation benefit  
by supporting the WHEAT Trust?*

By partnering with the WHEAT Trust you can actively support women's initiatives and gain recognition for your organisation through your involvement in a worthwhile yet cost effective social investment project that produces measurable results.