

Foschini Group and WHEAT Trust are helping women help themselves



By supporting WHEAT Trust's annual 1000 Women Luncheon on 22 May 2008, the Foschini Group joined the Trust in celebrating 10 years of achievement.

WHEAT Trust's event of the year is an opportunity to network with like-minded women and men willing to assist women's empowerment projects reach their full potential. The theme this year was "Honour a Woman" and calls on all South Africans, particularly men, to promote a culture of respect and appreciation for women of all ages and backgrounds, as well as the development of a safe environment for all.

The money raised through this luncheon will help to support and empower grassroots

women. On a larger scale these funds contribute to socio-economic development of the country and upliftment of poor communities.

WHEAT Trust is a national women's fund that primarily supports women's development initiatives through grantmaking. Individuals and/or organisations apply for a grant to access training, which they require to optimise their community development work. These grants are awarded to organisations driving projects in various areas of work. All initiatives assist in social upliftment of women and their communities.

In addition to supporting the luncheon, the Foschini Group has made a further donation of R110 000 towards the Trust's work. The Trust is also a beneficiary of charity clothing from the Foschini Group.



Joining staff of the Foschini Group at the WHEAT luncheon were representatives of NGOs supported by the Foschini Group. Invitees included, Learn to Earn, The Big Issue, St Lukes Hospice, ORT, The Western Cape Primary Science Project and Child Welfare South Africa.

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