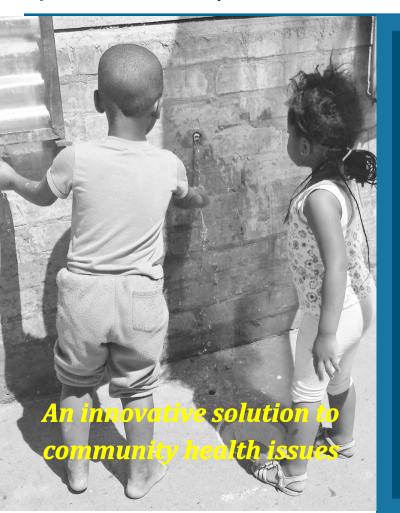
# **WaSH-UP**

### Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Upgrading Programme

#### What is WaSH-UP?

WaSH-UP, or Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Upgrading Programme, is an innovative solution to common health problems in urban informal settlements. It begins with the creation of a WaSH-UP facility created and operated by the community members. These facilities include access to important WaSH appliances such as sinks, laundry areas, toilets, and showers. Beyond the physical facilities, it becomes a key social space for community health, education and wellbeing development.



### Who is WaSH-UP?

Residents
WaSH-UP Local
Partnership NGOs

Local
Government

WaSH-UP is driven by a **collaborative partnership** between **regional NGOs** with connections to informal settlements, **local government agencies**, and a **university in the United States** that engages students and faculty in a shared learning and supporting role.



# WaSH Achievements

- Facility built and upgraded
- Caretaker training
- Health, Education, Wellbeing Services
- Constructed Health Products Kiosk

## Why WaSH-UP?

#### A WaSH Crisis in South Africa

- Access to basic sanitation facilities has been identified as a human right
- Limited health and wellness education leads to increased prevalence of disease

WaSH-UP **provides opportunities** for community members to address health and well-being issues such as **grey water management**, **early childhood development support**, **HIV/AIDS**, **teen pregnancy**, **disease**, **alcoholism**, **etc**.



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### What Next?

#### Continued Need for Support

- Need for diversified revenue streams
  - Support from Local Governments
  - Support from Community Members
  - Collaborative Partnerships with Local Business
- Need to strengthen community management structures
  - Training and Continued Education for Community Leaders
  - Effective Community Participation
  - Mentorship for Caretakers in Career Development

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