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PRESS RELEASE

The Center for Multicultural Wellness & Prevention, Inc. (CMWP) To Serve as Donation Point for Haiti Relief Efforts

Orlando, Fla. (January 19, 2010) - The Center for Multicultural Wellness & Prevention, Inc. (CMWP), a not-for-profit organization in Orlando, will serve as a collection site for items to be delivered to Haiti to assist victims of the earthquake disaster that took place on Tuesday, January 12th, 2010. According to reports, more than 3 million people may have been affected by the earthquake, which caused catastrophic damage to homes, buildings and loss of life.

Since the earthquake, there has been an outpouring of support from the local community, which is made up of people of Caribbean descent. To assist in this effort, CMWP is requesting that canned goods and other non-perishable foods, flashlights and batteries be donated. CMWP will also accept food utensils, manual can openers, medical supplies (first aid items, gloves, gauzes, and pain killer medicines), clothing, shoes, blankets and bottled water. For monetary donations, please send checks or money orders to Chase Bank, account #2926931821 CMWP/Haiti Earthquake 2010 Relief.

The earthquake has caused unprecedented damage and loss of life in and around the capital city of Port-au-Prince. "The devastation that we have witnessed over the past couple of days has shown us how blessed we are as a country and that we all have a responsibility to give back to those in need, especially in times such as when we have a disaster of this magnitude" said Dr. Marie Jose Francois, Executive Director of CMWP. In coordination with non-profit agencies in Haiti, CMWP will work with local companies and organizations to ensure timely delivery of all items collected to disaster victims.

CMWP appreciates the outpouring of support from the local community and want to thank everyone for all donations.

The Center for Multicultural Wellness and Prevention is a 501 (c) 3 not-for-profit organization with the mission to enhance the quality of life for diverse and ethnic populations through the provision of health promotion services in Central Florida. CMWP is an established non-clinical setting, health education and outreach agency in Orlando, Florida. The organization has successfully partnered with community and social agencies to effectively address the health education needs of Central Florida's minority communities. For more information about the Center for Multicultural Wellness and Prevention Inc., please call (407)648-9440 or visit our website at www.cmwp.org

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