

About CES



VISION:

A healthy environment that sustains all life forms.

MISSION:

To integrate human needs with environmental integrity based on sound scientific, ethical, theological and socio-economic principles.

PROGRAMS:

1. Environmental Educational Program (E.E.P)
2. Natural Resources Managers Empowerment Program (N.R.M.E.P)
3. Ecosystem Health Research Program (E.H.R.P)

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Message from the Director

The Centre for Environmental Stewardship (CES), a Non-governmental Organization was established in 2003 by a team of professionals in the fields of health, theology, and natural resource management. CES believes that the environment and humans are stewards of each other and thus advocates for every Kenyan to shed the misplaced perception that caring for the environment is 'somebody else's responsibility'. Community participation being one of the guiding principles in natural resource management, CES partners with local communities, organized groups, Community based organizations, NGOs and government agencies. Increasing degradation of the environment has been a concern for many years. Human activities such as forest encroachment, over extraction of water, poor agricultural practices, and poor waste management; all aggravated by climate change and increasing poverty have seen our environment deteriorate to alarming levels. CES conducts research on ecosystem health, gathers data which is then used to inform the organization's three main programs. These are the Environmental Education Program, Natural Resource Managers' Empowerment Program and Ecosystem Health Research Program. Together these programs serve to create awareness among local communities on their role in environmental stewardship. With support from the government of Sweden and DFID through Act CRM facility, CES is implementing a two year project to strengthen governance and wise use of natural resources in Meru and Tharaka Nithi counties. In the first quarter of 2012, a Consultation and Needs Assessment study on natural resource management and governance were carried out. The study targeted county level natural resource managers such as, Community Forest Associations, Water resource users associations, government agencies such as Kenya Forest Service, Water Resources Management Authority, National Environmental Management Authority and line ministries such as the Ministry of Water and Irrigation, and Ministry of Forest and Wildlife. The findings from this study will be used to empower the citizens in governance and wise use of their forests and water resources in the two counties. This is to introduce our inaugural newsletter, "THE STEWARD" through which we will be bringing you updates on our work.



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Achievements

January - March 2012

6th - 18th March

Needs assessment study and consultative meetings.

28th March

Workshop to validate the assessment findings.
Visit to Ruji rwa Ng'ombe River.

29th March

Monitoring and evaluation plan.

Upcoming Events

April - June 2012

6th - 8th June

Training CFA's on Forest Resource Governance.

13th - 15th June

Training WRUA's on Water Resource Governance.

