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# 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

## UNITED WAY GHANA

We are the problem solvers, the hand raisers, and the game changers



United Way Ghana

# ABOUT UNITED WAY GHANA

United Way Ghana is devoted to making real social impact within local communities in three focus areas: **Education**, **Health** and **Income generation** – the key building blocks for a good quality of life in a thriving community. We envision a society where every person is empowered to lead an informed, healthy and productive life.

Developing cross-sector collaborations with local communities, business organizations, philanthropists, government and volunteers help us deliver lasting impact and social change in disadvantaged Ghanaian communities. We believe that through our collaborative work and commitment, we ensure every Individual is able to live a life of dignity.



## OUR VISION

Stronger, well informed, healthier and self-sustaining communities in Ghana.

## OUR MISSION

To accelerate community development in the areas of health, education and income generation through collaborative efforts of all stakeholders.

# CHANGING THE ODDS



Making quality education accessible to all children



Promoting Sanitation & Hygiene

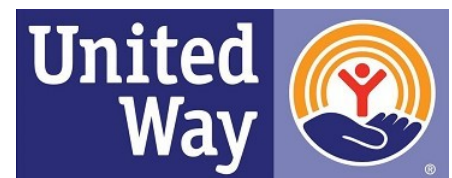


Promoting sustainable income

## A LOCAL MOVEMENT WITH A GLOBAL FOOTPRINT

United Way Ghana is a member of the United Way Worldwide network, the largest privately-funded non-profit in the world with nearly, 1800 communities across more than 40 countries and territories worldwide.

United Way fights for the health, education and financial stability of every person in every community. We win by forging unlikely partnerships, by finding new solutions to existing problems, by mobilizing the best resources and by inspiring individuals to join the fight against their community's daunting social challenges.



# Letter from the President of the Governing Council

**United Way Ghana** has been growing and multiplying the impact of its performance every year since its establishment. In 2003. Over the years, in partnership with corporate partners, volunteers and implementing partners United Way Ghana has impacted over 100,000 lives in the areas of childhood literacy, youth empowerment, adult literacy, and entrepreneurial skills development.

Especially in 2020, during the COVID 19 Pandemic with the support of 3M, Standard Chartered Bank, Cummins Ghana, Newmont Ghana, Prudential Life Insurance Ghana, The Israeli Embassy–Ghana, Ford Middle East, African American Association of Ghana we were able to meet the most pressing needs of the most disadvantaged, making a direct impact on close to 17,000 lives in Ghana. We provided food boxes for families, hygiene items to ensure our beneficiaries had what was required to guard against COVID and home literacy activities for homebound children with no access to on line learning

From our experience in the field and feedback we have received through the series of community conversations we are holding, we have expanded our programs to maximize our impact and strengthen the sustainability of the developments we make through our impact.

## **Advancing early childhood learning and reading;**

Despite the challenge of the total lockdown and school closure, our educational programs were entirely upgraded to an at home platform which allowed us to continue the implementation of our efforts to improve basic education. Using the Kitkit School app designed by the Enuma Group in South Korea, we introduced our learners to digital apps that fuse learning and games which motivated them to learn. “Kitkit School is a tablet-based application with a comprehensive curriculum that spans early childhood through early elementary. Kit in the Thai language means “to think”. It is designed to provide children with the fundamentals and practice needed to build foundational skills in literacy and numeracy, even without access to school or resources”. Learners were introduced to this application with volunteers assisting them to use the programs in the app to study. The app is designed to suit both early childhood reading and advanced levels of grade 6 with library sessions on digital literacy, English Literacy, Numeracy, videos, songs and coupled with games and Assessments. In 2020, we have helped more than 3,929 young learners to improve in their reading skills through our In-school Literacy Programs.



Collaborating with community based organizations, community leaders and community members who were engaged as volunteers we were able to assist some of our beneficiary communities with food Items and PPE during the pandemic.

**Empowering adults to be self-sufficient** ; The Adult Literacy and Financial Empowerment project under our Socio Economic Development Program sought to create an enabling environment that fosters job creation, frequent saving, business skills, healthy living, and access to quality education in the beneficiary communities in the Ashanti, Central, Eastern, and Greater Accra regions. So far more than 200 beneficiaries have been equipped with literacy, numeracy, vocational and entrepreneurial skills. 80% out of this number are set to start their businesses by 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter for 2021.

**Youth development** ; Through our Leadership and Soft Skills Development we provided opportunities for close to 97 JHS students and over 297 young men and women to enhance their soft skills. These individuals have now mastered the art of managing their time, set personal development goals and developing plans to attain the goals. They have also been set off on their financial stability life journey through the series and financial literacy activities we engaged them in.

**Conclusion** I am proud of what we were able to achieve notwithstanding the difficult and unprecedented times we found ourselves in.

In 2021, United Way Ghana will continue to grow its impact on building resilient communities in Ghana, harness the use of innovation and technology in addressing community challenges and foster leadership & youth development; with the commitment of volunteers, and the invaluable help of a growing number of corporate partners will make it possible to offer a better future to more and more people.

On behalf of the Governing Board and employees of United Way Ghana, we would say thank you for joining United Way Ghana's fight of empowering people to lead informed healthy and productive lives.

**UNITED WE FIGHT! UNITED WE WIN!**

Signed

Adiki Ofeibea Ayitevie

Chairperson, Governing Council

## Letter from the **Acting Executive Director**



The year 2020 was like no other in recent memory and will not soon be forgotten.

The mission of United Way Ghana is to accelerate community development in the areas of health, education, and income generation through collaborative efforts of all stakeholders. We focus our energy on changing the odds—making quality education accessible to all children, promoting sustainable income and promoting sanitation and hygiene. For many years, our flagship initiative has been Improving Basic Education, targeting young learners between Grade 1 and JHS 3 with programs such as Literacy in School, STEM, Mentorship, Girls Closet & WASH, Teacher Capacity Enhancement and Community Sensitization on the importance of and their role in education.

Then the pandemic hit, closing schools, shutting down cities, eliminating sources of income and restricting movement of goods and people. This required United Way Ghana to re-examine all our current programming and instead focus on what our communities needed in real time.

We quickly learned the most pressing need in the communities we serve was access to food. So, in partnership with community leaders, community-based organizations, donors and implementing partners, we turned our attention to providing food parcels to the most vulnerable in our communities. Over 6,000 families were provided with much needed food relief as many tried to navigate survival in the midst of reduced incomes and redundancy. Vulnerable families benefited from the donation of foodstuff which helped to feed themselves and their children especially as free school meals were no longer available.

Another critical area of support for our communities was education on safety protocols to prevent the spread of COVID-19. United Way Ghana engaged local health experts to provide safety information in local languages, demonstrations on handwashing and the proper use of PPE. We provided communities and schools with reusable face masks and Veronica buckets, soap and hand sanitizer to enable proper hygiene against the virus. We also provided hygiene kits and PPE to community-based clinics and frontline health workers. More than 15,000 people and 9 clinics directly benefited from this initiative.



As a way to offset the loss of income United Way Ghana provided training on how to produce soap, hand sanitizer and face masks to over 407 women in underserved communities.

Despite the efforts of government and many schools to provide on-line learning and academic programming via TV, the children in the communities we serve were particularly hard hit by the closure of schools. Not only did they miss out on the free school lunch, the majority of these learners did not have access to devices or internet for on-line learning. In addition, many of these children live in households where the caregiver is illiterate, limiting the ability to provide in-home education support.

To address this outage, United Way Ghana implemented a Home Literacy program, engaging the help of community-based organizations and volunteers who were trained to conduct literacy classes in homes. Not only were we able to provide continuing education to 3,929 children, our program saw a 61% increase in the academic performance of participating learners.

None of this would have been possible without the fearless, committed volunteers, United Way Ghana staff, community based organizations, implementing partners and our donors who stepped up and stepped in, sometimes putting themselves potentially at risk, to provide support to service the real needs of people in real time. They are my heroes. They exemplify what it means to **LIVE UNITED**.

United Way Ghana learned a lot about us and our communities in 2020. In addition to existing donors and partners, we attracted many new allies to our work. We learned the critical importance in listening to our communities and helping them to be more resilient.

We look forward with hopefulness to 2021.

**UNITED WE FIGHT UNITED WE WIN**

Signed

Janet L Butler

**Acting Executive Director**

# FINANCIAL REPORT

## UNITED WAY GHANA

### INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2020

	NOTE	2020 GH¢	2019 GH¢
Income	4	2,692,209	516,879
Project Expenses	6	(2,160,144)	(240,970)
Administration Expenses	5	(208,444)	(166,330)
Surplus Income over Expenditure		<u>323,621</u>	<u>109,579</u>

## UNITED WAY GHANA

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2020

ACCUMULATED FUND	NOTE	2020 GH¢	2019 GH¢
Balance as at 1st January		108,914	(665)
<i>Prior year adjustment</i>	12	<u>9,208</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Balance restated</b>		<b>118,122</b>	<b>(665)</b>
Surplus income over expenditure		323,621	109,579
<b>Balance as at 31st December</b>		<b><u>441,743</u></b>	<b><u>108,914</u></b>



# FINANCIAL REPORT

**UNITED WAY GHANA**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 2020**

	NOTE	2020 GHC	2019 GHC
<b>NON CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, Plant and Equipment	7	10,528	4,437
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Bank Balances	8	440,310	172,800
Amount due from related party	11	17,365	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>468,203</b>	<b>177,237</b>
<b>EQUITY &amp; LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Equity</b>			
Accumulated Fund		441,743	108,914
<b>Liability</b>			
Accruals	9	26,459	68,323
<b>TOTAL EQUITY &amp; LIABILITIES</b>		<b>468,203</b>	<b>177,237</b>

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# FINANCIAL REPORT

## UNITED WAY GHANA

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER, 2020

	NOTE	2020 GHC	2019 GHC
<b>Cash flow from operating activities</b>			
Surplus Income over Expenditure		323,621	109,579
Adjusted for:			
Depreciation	7	3,845	1,624
(Decrease) in payables	9	(41,863)	(2,448)
Prior year adjustment	12	9,208	-
<b>Net cash flow from operating activities</b>		<u>294,811</u>	<u>108,754</u>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Investment in property, plant & equipment	7	(9,936)	(5,721)
<b>Net cash outflow from investing activities</b>		<u>(9,936)</u>	<u>(5,721)</u>
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
(Increase) in amounts due from related party	11	(17,365)	-
<b>Net cash outflow from Financing activities</b>		<u>(17,365)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net Cash inflow</b>		<u>267,511</u>	<u>103,033</u>
<b>Analysis of changes in cash and cash equivalents during the year</b>			
Bank balance at January 1		172,800	69,767
Net cash inflow		267,511	103,033
<b>Balance at 31st December</b>		<u>440,310</u>	<u>172,800</u>
<b>Analysis of cash and cash equivalents as at 31st December</b>			
Bank balances at December 31		<u>440,310</u>	<u>172,800</u>

# OUR PARTNERS FOR 2020



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Limited  
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# UNITED WAY GHANA'S 2020 ACTIVITIES



## THE NYANSAPO LITERACY PROJECT

Building the reading and comprehension skills of children during their early years are essential to improving their literacy levels and life-long potential. Literacy in children is an area of concern, as USAID Early Grade Reading Assessment indicates that 89 in 100 Ghanaian children cannot read appreciably below the 3rd grade level. Also, 98% of children in primary 1 to 3 in Ghana cannot read or write at the most basic level. In light of this, United Way Ghana started the Nyansapo Literacy Project

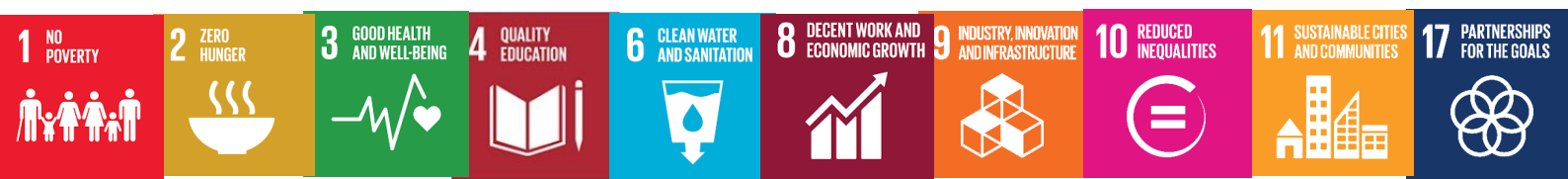
at the Ayebeng Memorial Primary in Accra under the theme Promoting Childhood Literacy, to improve the literacy levels and nurture the reading culture of pupils from Primary one to six in underserved communities. The project impacted 667 students and provided reading books in every classroom in the beneficiary school through the Library In A Box initiative. Trained volunteers of United Way Ghana lead intensive reading sessions each week in the school to ingrain the interest for reading in students. The Nyansapo Literacy Project is sponsored by the American Chamber of Commerce, Ghana with partners - Biblionef Ghana, Midstream Literary Agency, Mother of All Nations, Ghana Library Authority, Baraka Policy Institute, Special Attention Project, Crust Media, TopDog Africa, Eneza Education - Ghana & Worldreader.

## United Way Ghana & Newmont Ghana Home Literacy Program

United Way Ghana and Newmont Ghana have been partners in assisting to make quality basic education accessible to all children in Ghana which aligns with the SDG 4–Quality Education and 17–Partnerships for the Goals. The Covid 19 pandemic led to some restrictions like the closure of schools and this resulted in children, especially from underserved communities, to miss out on school lessons.



As a response to the restriction, the two organizations introduced the Home Literacy initiative by developing a weekly home literacy program. This program aligns with United Way Ghana and Newmont Ghana's goal of improving the reading culture among pupils in under-resourced communities. The success of the project was made possible by our implementing partner Mother of All Nations whose volunteers came on board to be trained and oriented on the project. The project also incorporated an online school app (Kitkit School), a tablet-based application designed to provide children with the fundamentals and practice needed to build foundational skills in literacy and numeracy- even without access to school or resources". The volunteers assessed and engaged 200 basic school learners from Mamobi and Nima using virtual and interactive learning techniques twice a week to keep them academically active while schools were closed.



# UNITED WAY GHANA'S 2020 ACTIVITIES

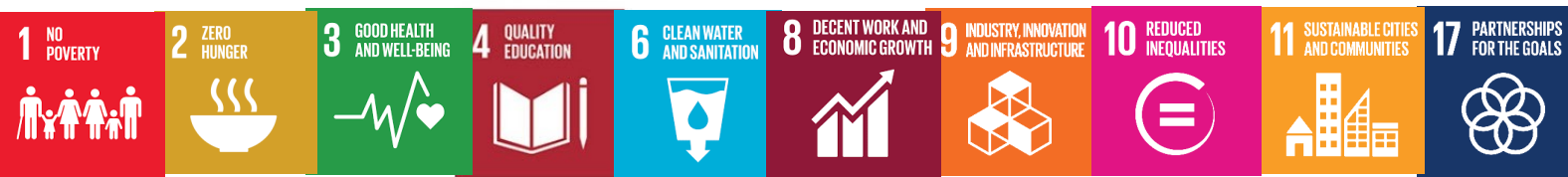
## Improving Basic Education Program



United Way Ghana's Improving Basic Education (IBE) is a Youth Success product that can be used to improve access to quality basic formal education for children in underserved communities. It is designed to positively change the attitudes and mindsets about education in communities, build the capacity of schools to deliver teaching and provide opportunities for children to excel.

United Way Ghana's goal is to ensure brighter futures for our children and the community through quality education, optimum healthcare and financial independence. This is achieved by fighting for the education, health and financial stability of every person in every community in Ghana. The core strategies for youth success include strong and effective schools, family engagement and systemic wrap-around supports for students. Youth Success focuses on topics such as ways to increase access to quality primary, secondary and post-secondary education and methods of supporting students and families to promote post-secondary success. The IBE project is designed to bring all stakeholders and organizations of like minds around the issue of quality education. The objective of building this coalition is to find sustainable solutions for the challenges that impede access to and delivery of quality education, especially in underserved communities.

The success of the IBE project is predicated on the overall implementation strategy that uses a focus on changing attitudes towards education.



# UNITED WAY GHANA'S 2020 ACTIVITIES



## Improving Basic Education Program – Kumasi

United Way Ghana under its educational program continues to engage in activities that will help improve access to and quality of basic education.

The Improving Basic Education (**IBE**) program aims to address issues that affect access to quality education. Under this program, United Way Ghana develops and implements projects that are child centered, school centered and community centered to transform lives and change community conditions. Implementing Partners for the program were; Muslim Family Counseling Services, Engage Now Africa, Ghana Library Authority and Lead Afrique International.

### PROGRAM OUTLINE

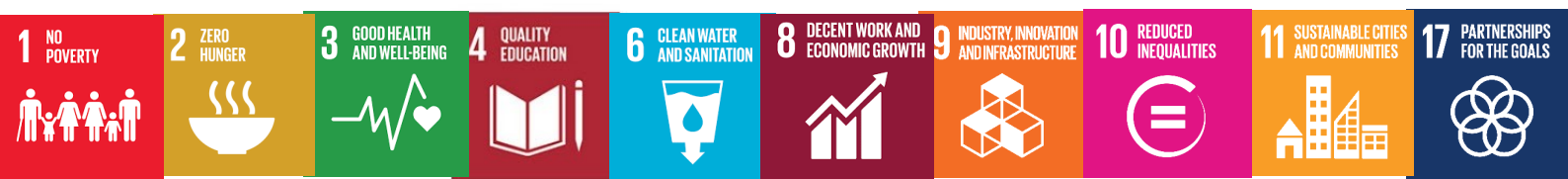
#### ADULT LITERACY AND FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT:

The Adult Literacy and Financial Empowerment program created an enabling environment that has fostered job creation, intentional saving, business skills, healthy living, and access to quality education in the beneficiary communities. Eighty (80) adults were engaged for two hours twice a week in literacy activities for two (2) months.

**IN SCHOOL LITERACY:** The Literacy Project sought to expand the vocabulary base and improve the communication skills of the young learners. 154 pupils from class 1-3 in Wataniya Islamic School in Asokore Mampong Municipal Assembly were assessed on reading, comprehension, phonemic awareness and word identification exercises and then engaged in weekly reading sessions to instill in them the habit of reading.

**LEADERSHIP AND SOFT SKILLS DEVELOPMENT:** This project created opportunities for pupils to be inspired to attain greater self-confidence and a will to succeed and live a life of dignity. Sixty-five (65) beneficiaries from Wataniya Islamic School from class 6-JHS 2 were engaged one hour a week for two (2) months on self-confidence, communication skills, goal setting and personal hygiene.

**TEACHERS CAPACITY PROGRAM:** The teacher's capacity program trained teachers on effective classroom management strategies and the use of modern technologies to improve skills and output. Seventeen (17) teachers were engaged and trained. Online resources and materials were made available to the teachers to aid in their capacity building.





# UNITED WAY GHANA'S 2020 ACTIVITIES

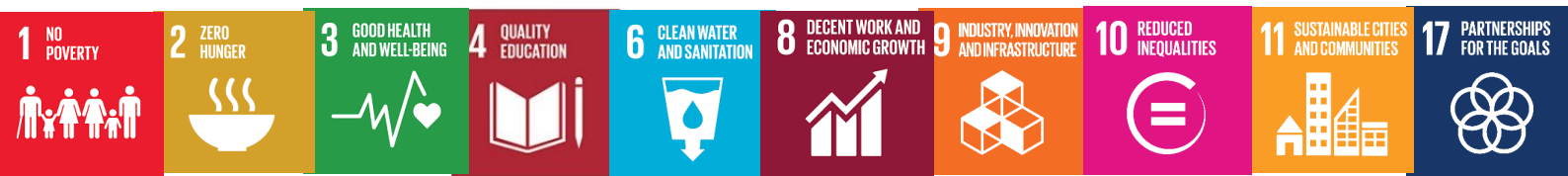


## THE NYANSAPO SCHOLARSHIP PROJECT

The Nyansapo Scholarship Project was implemented in 2005 to provide school readiness support to learners from deprived homes that are unable to purchase school supplies. With the support of the Riedman Family, so far more than 600 children have benefited from this annual scholarship program which provides school uniforms, school bags, learning materials, shoes, literacy skill development and mentorship for children of school going age in Akropong, and Abiriw in the Eastern Region of Ghana.

In 2020 we awarded scholarship items to 70 young learners from six schools who were supported with educational materials, while 12 teachers were also trained from the beneficiary schools in personal growth and financial literacy (Earning, saving, investing, and spending). The aim of the project is to assist these children with educational support and encourage parents, caregivers, teachers and community members to join hands with United Way Ghana to give them the childhood and opportunities they deserve.

“I have to sell and do other work to make money before I can purchase books and things for school. The Scholarship has given me all the books, uniform and bag I have to use in school so I want to say a big Thank you to United Way Ghana” said **Eric Asare** a student from Akropong M/A Basic School.

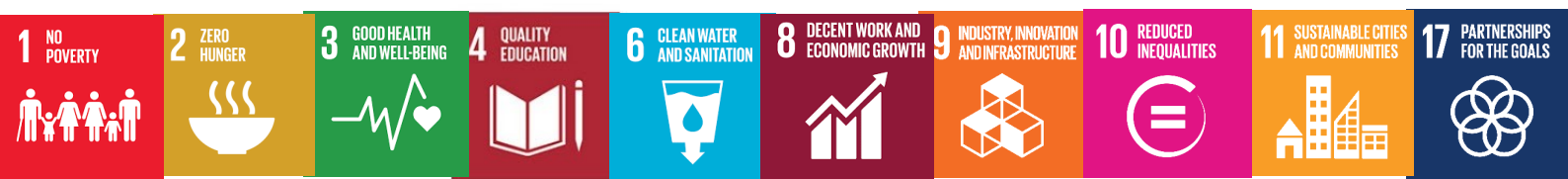


# UNITED WAY GHANA'S 2020 ACTIVITIES

## COVID-19 RESPONSE INITIATIVE

# Projects

- Food Distribution
- Sensitization on the COVID-19 Protocols
- PPE Distribution
- Home Literacy
- Production Training



# Food Distribution



After the lockdown was lifted, food security became a major issue in Ghana. Though the restrictions were reduced, families that were greatly affected were unable to recover immediately.

United Way Ghana in collaboration with community based organizations, community leaders and community members who were engaged as volunteers was able to identify such families to benefit from the food distribution project.

Community volunteers and implementing partners played vital roles in the data collection and Implementation process. They being in the community, they were able to assist with the identification of beneficiaries and the evaluation of our impact work in the communities.

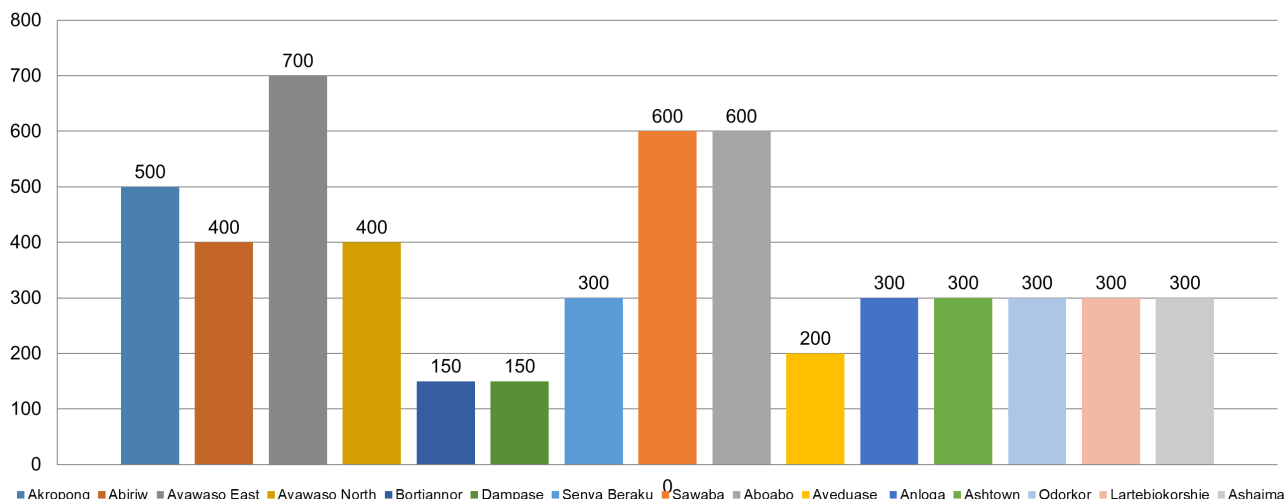


Cheerful Hearts Foundation  
Muslim Family Counseling Services  
Achievers Ghana  
Mother of All Nations Foundation  
Food For All Africa  
Northern Bazaar



**287**  
Corporate & community  
volunteers  
were engaged spending  
**2,219 hours**

Food Distribution Chart by Communities



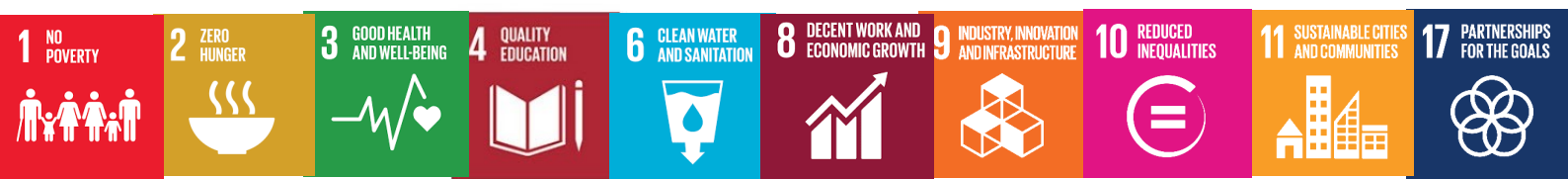
# Food Distribution



Standard Chartered



Ghana Association Of Bankers



# Sensitization on the COVID-19 Protocols



United Way Ghana envisions a community where every individual is well informed about the COVID-19 preventive protocols. Working towards that objective, we educated 6,300 people from our targeted communities on COVID-19 and its preventive measures.

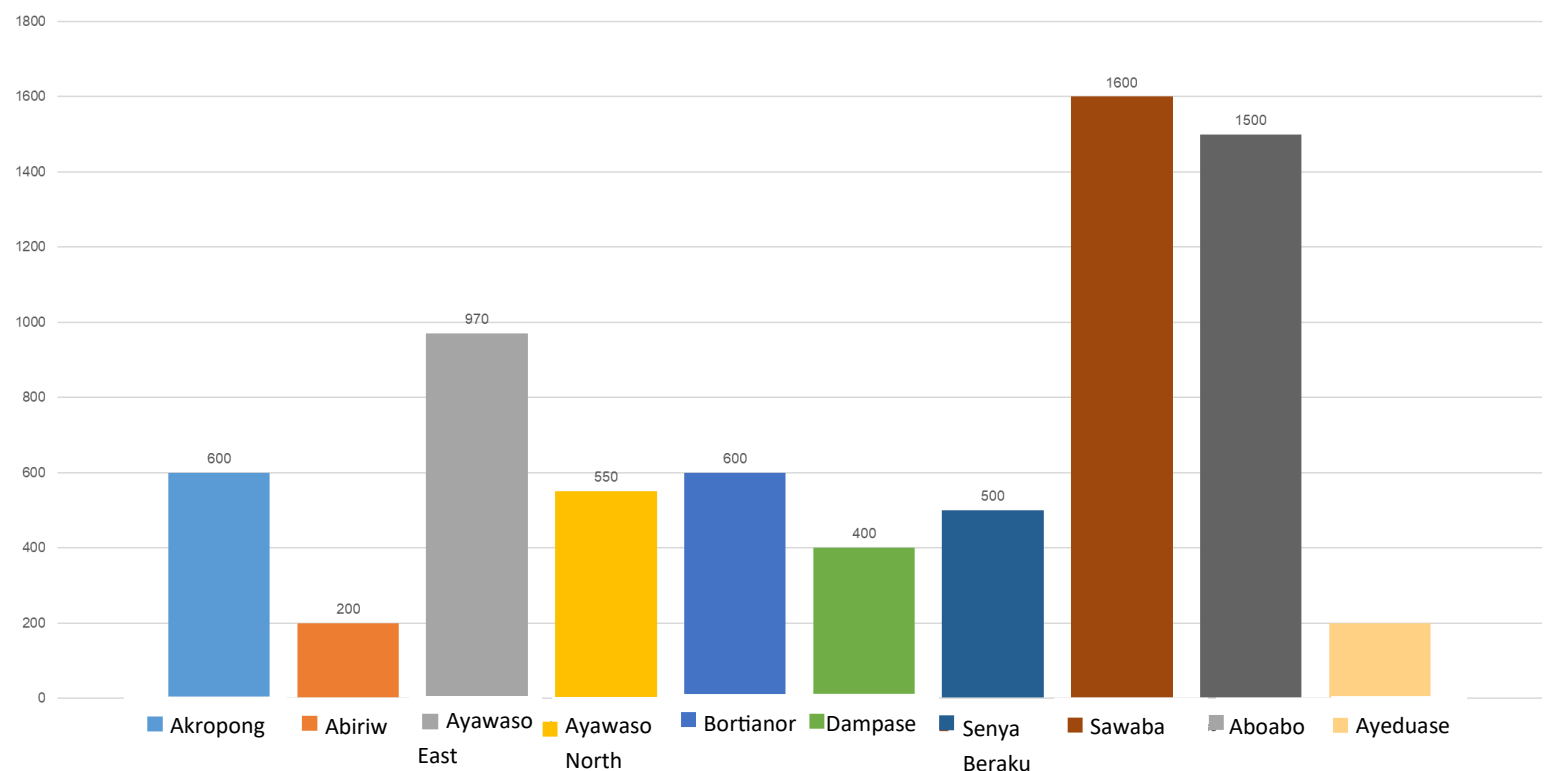
We believe that once every individual is applying these measures, the fight against the virus will be strengthened

We engaged community health officials with support from trained volunteers.

- Proper hand washing
- Proper application of hand sanitizer
- Appropriate way to wear, take off, and maintain face masks
- Social distancing and
- Respiratory hygiene

To ensure clarity, we used the local language and engaged the people in practical demonstrations

COVID-19 Education Chart by Communities



# Sensitization on the COVID-19 Protocols



# PPE Distribution



The fear accompanied with leaving home and getting exposed to the virus is what individuals including frontline health workers face.

To address this fear, United Way Ghana distributed PPE to seven community clinics and 4,780 individuals to lower the risk of infection.

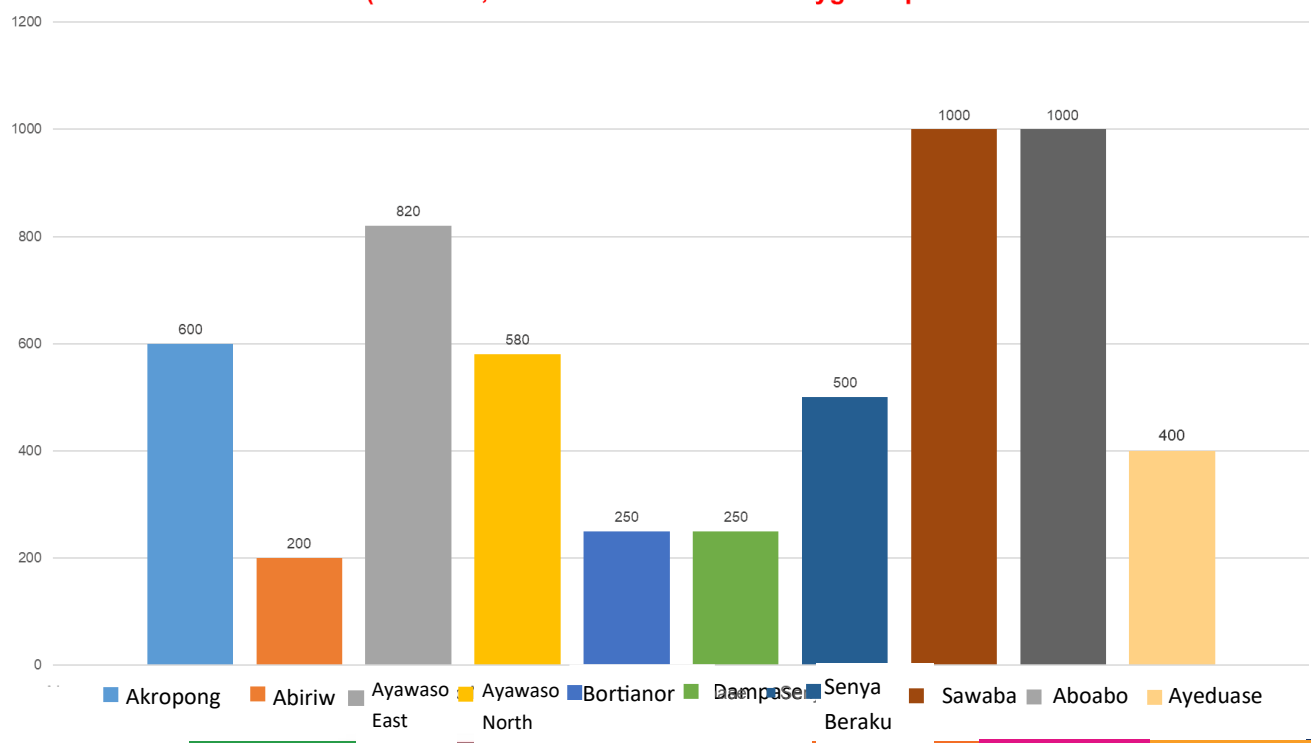
We believe that equipping people with the necessary PPE will provide them with the needed protection to enable them live safely in the new normal.

Families that benefited from the food distribution automatically qualified to also benefit from the PPE distribution. In communities where the spread was wide, we collaborated with our community partners and volunteers to enroll more beneficiaries onto the program.

The clinic donation included; Touch-free hand washing facility, surgical gowns, Thermometer Gun, Liquid soap, Disinfectant, Hand sanitizer, Tissue, Nose masks, Face Shield, disposable gloves. The health workers from the health centers also received hygiene packs for their personal use.

In addition to the Hygiene packs, we installed **1,035 Veronica Buckets** across the communities and donated **PPEs to 9 community clinics**

COVID-19 Education Chart by Communities  
(In total 5,600 individuals received Hygiene packs)



# PPE Distribution





# Home Literacy



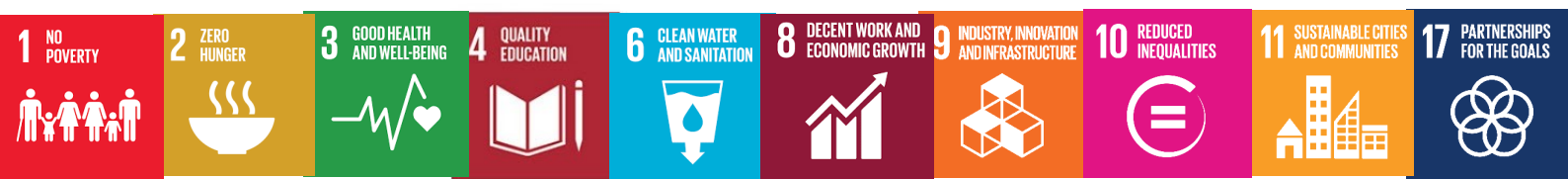
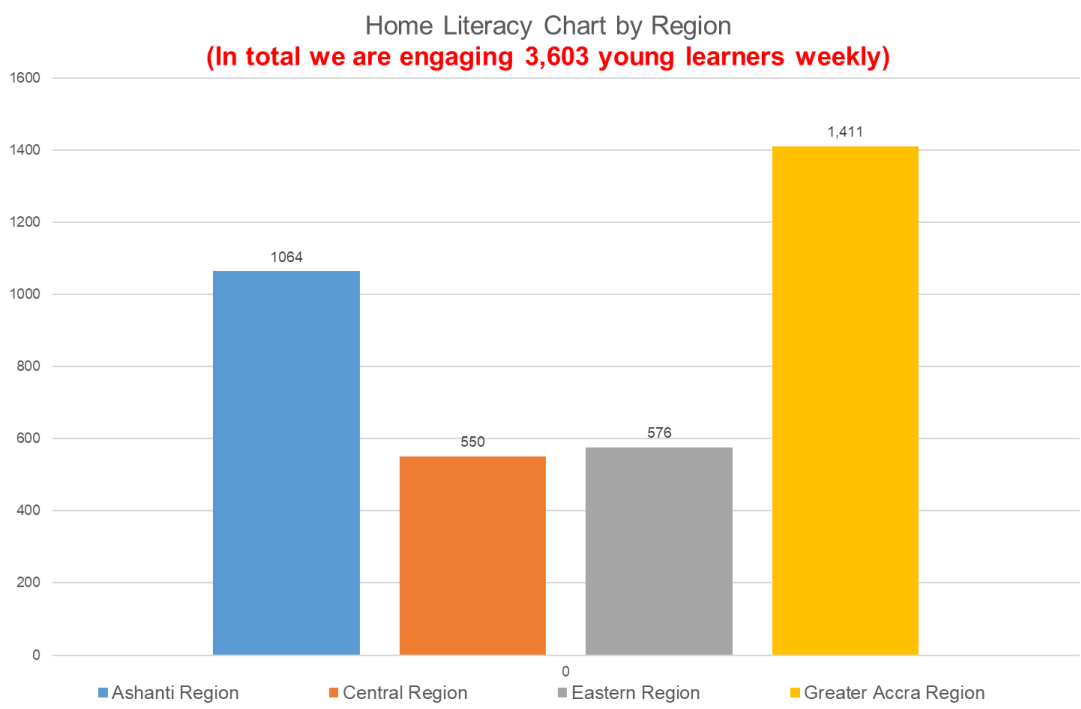
With basic school young learners being home since March 2020 as a result of the school closure, United Way Ghana developed the Home Literacy Program to support young learners who would have otherwise missed out on available virtual learning opportunities. Each child that was engaged received a literacy booklet.

We also donated customized 328 literacy booklets to one of our basic schools to support the school's literacy program the teachers are running voluntarily. In total, we are supporting 3,929 young learners from beneficiary communities. The young learners were engaged in homes by trained volunteers and virtually by employee volunteers.

We incorporated the use of a literacy App, **the Kitkit School**. The Kitkit school is a tablet-based application with a comprehensive curriculum that spans early childhood through early elementary. It is designed to provide children with the foundations and practice needed to build fundamental skills in literacy and numeracy along with opportunities to explore other subjects including music and art-regardless of access to school or resources.

"My name is Hawa Seidu, I am in class 2. I can't go to school because of the coronavirus, but sir Hakeem comes to my house to read to me every week. I have learnt new words. I am now inspired to look for more words to make my English good. Thank you United Way Ghana"

With support from trained volunteers and implementing partners, we engaged the young learners for at least 4 hours a week. We use customized developed literacy booklets that the young learners can relate to, and that inspires them to read.



# Home Literacy



# Financial Literacy Training for young learners



In conjunction with Standard Chartered Bank, Prudential Life Insurance, and Junior Achievement Ghana, upper learners were educated on how to Earn, Save, Spend and Donate.

In addition to that, employees from Standard Chartered Bank educated participants on anti-bribery and corruption. The engagement was done virtually.

Using an innovative program for young learners, Junior Achievement illustrated the financial literacy module using ‘**Cha Ching**’ lessons. All participants were also guided to assemble money boxes from printed cards.

Prudential Life Insurance Ghana awarded certificates to participants and gave out teddy bears, chocolates to motivate and encourage them to begin their finance management journey.

We have trained **180** young learners from Ayeduase, Ruga (Kanda) and Pigfarm.

“I am grateful to benefit from the financial education and can now properly draw my budget for the semester and stick to it,” **Jennifer** said, enthusiastically. - Student Form 3 Business 1



- Junior Achievement
- Achievers Ghana

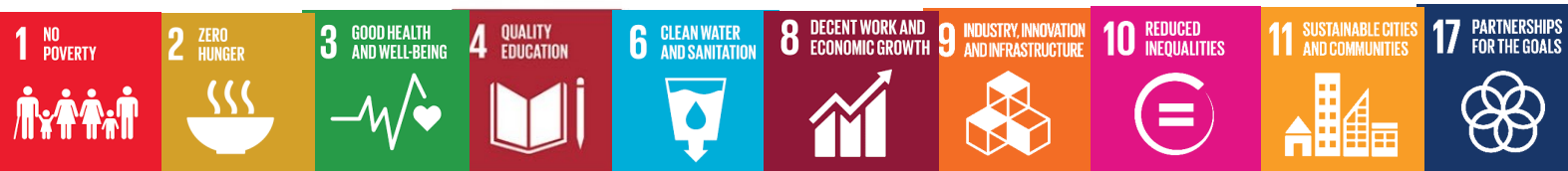


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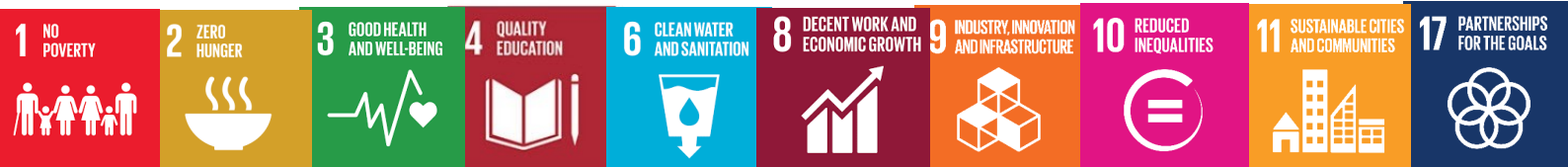
Community and Corporate  
volunteers  
were engaged spending

**104 hours**

on the project



# Financial Literacy Training for young learners



# Production Training



Wearing of face masks and use of hand sanitizer and hand washing soap are the basic supplies one needs to maintain the personal safety protocols in the fight against COVID-19. As important as these are, some are unable to afford them.

In our effort to empower all individuals to adhere to the safety protocols, United Way Ghana partnered with Engage Now Africa to train our beneficiaries in hand sanitizer, hand washing soap and hand made facemask production.

The aim of this project is to equip beneficiaries with these technical skills to enable them produce, use and sell some to earn some income for the upkeep of their families.

**We have trained 407 individuals** from Ashanti, Eastern, Central and the Greater Accra regions of Ghana. Beneficiaries were given certificates after completing the training.

“ My name is Julia, I am a seamstress in Dampase. I cannot believe I can now produce liquid soaps and sell at my shop. God bless you United Way Ghana and Engage Now Africa”-**Julia** a beneficiary of the program said.

We also donated **5 hand sewing machines** to Muslim Family Counseling Services to enable them increase the intake of people into the apprenticeship program



- Cheerful Hearts Foundation
- Engage Now Africa
- Muslim Family Counseling Service

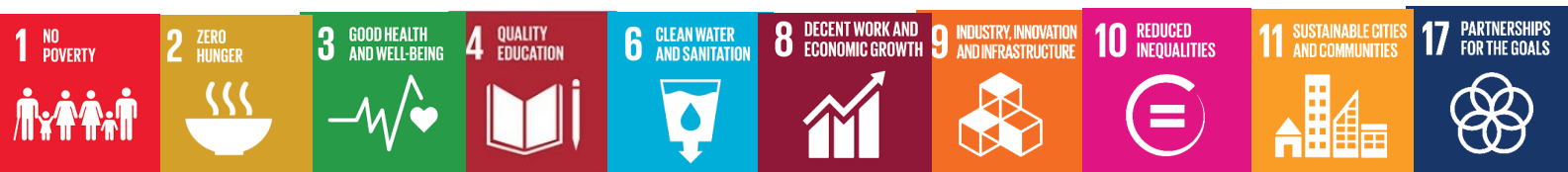


**46**

community volunteers were engaged spending

**840 hours**

on the project



# Production Training



# EVENTS



## Hannukah With The Israeli Embassy

The Israeli Embassy and United Way Ghana on the 17th of December came together to organize an event to commemorate the celebration of Hanukah and Christmas for children in Dampase and Bortianor. Activities for the event were face painting, musical chairs, sharing of the Hanukah Doughnuts, and other interactive games. 100 families were also supported with food packages as part of the event.



## Volunteers Day Celebration Week

There was nothing greater to say to the people who held us down during a tough year like 2020 than saying thank you! In the week of the 30th of November 2020, United Way Ghana awarded 200 volunteers in Accra, Kumasi, Akropong, Senya Beraku, Bortianor and Dampase for their exemplary work throughout the year 2020.

“I am honored to have been given the opportunity as a volunteer especially during this COVID-19 period. This is where I really felt like I made an impact on people’s lives. Thank you United Way Ghana for the opportunity” said **Richard Tetteh**, a volunteer in Accra.







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