

**BRIEF PROFILE** 

COMMUNITY **DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE** (CDA-GHANA)



Empowering people; connecting capacities & transforming lives.

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#### WHO IS CDA?

ounded in May 2008; Community Development Alliance (CDA-Ghana) is a reputable Nonprofit, Nonpartisan, Nongovernmental Network of 97 individual grassroots organizations;

Dedicated to championing Bold, innovative and evidenced-informed outreach interventions that;

Impact lives, reduces poverty, empowers women and girls, strengthens community based structures and systems to improve livelihoods and social service delivery outcomes for poor, vulnerable and most at risk populations; mostly Children, adolescents and women living in underserved communities in Ghana.

We work with partners to design and implement sustainable, inclusive, innovative, and evidenced-informed Community Development Initiatives that Impact Lives; contributes to good health and wellbeing, improves Food Security, Health as well as the Social and Economic Wellbeing of the Poor and Vulnerable People; mostly women and children living in underserved communities in Ghana.

#### WHAT IS CDA-GHANA LEGAL STATUS?



CDA-Ghana is legally Incorporated with the Registrar General Department of Ghana and issued with a Certificate of Incorporation with registration number CG186562015.



It is also registered as a National NGO (Tax Exempt) with the Department of Social Welfare and issued with a Certificate of Recognition with Registration Number **D.S.W/6190.** 



CDA-Ghana has further registered with the Ghana Revenue Authority and the Social Security & National Insurance Trust (SSNIT) and has fully complied with its statutory obligations to all relevant laws of Ghana.

#### **OUR VISION AND MISSION**

#### CDA-Ghana is inspired by THE VISION of:

"A Prosperous & Resilient Community Free from the Injustice of Poverty, Hunger, Disease and Gender Inequality".

#### **MISSION**

- We exist primarily to promote sustainable, inclusive and resilient community development initiatives that reduces poverty, contributes to Good Health and Wellbeing as well as empowers women and girls, through evidenced based advocacy and the application of cutting edge innovations that are culturally appropriate, gender sensitive and responsive to the needs of marginalized individuals, families and communities in a sustainable fashion.
- 2 We work with partners to break down the social, political and legal barriers that marginalized people face, and in-

- novate to create a future free from poverty, disease discrimination and human rights violations.
- 3 We are dedicated to strengthening the capacity of local communities to uphold the rights of people most affected by HIV, Sexual and Gender-based Violence and most at risk populations by addressing the underlying causes of vulnerability, engaging in effective advocacy, generating robust evidence and developing meaningful policy solutions that improves access to services as well as quality of care and better outcomes.

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**





### **OUR TEAM/PROFESSIONAL STAFF**

15
Full-time
Professional Staff

21 technical volunteers & community facilitators

Technical Associate/part time staff

355 farmer/community based associations and groups









## 1 Ending Poverty & Hunger

We are dedicated to Fighting Poverty, Hunger and Food insecurity in Ghana by supporting efforts that increase agricultural investments to improve the competitiveness and profitability of agricultural value chains in **Ghana** where smallholder farmers are linked to markets, finance, inputs, equipment, and information through larger commercial farmers and traders who have the capacity and incentive to invest in smallholder production.

We catalyze and strengthen linkages, build the capacity of smallholder farmers to increase the efficiency of their farm businesses with improved production and post-harvest handling practices. We utilize the best available research evidence by increasing the generation of research to influence pro-poor s agricultural policy formulation and implementation in Ghana

Our overall objective is to empower thousands of vulnerable and under-served women and communities to overcome the injustice of poverty, hunger and malnutrition.

We seek to empower vulnerable and marginalized communities to respond to a changing climate, to become more resilient and productive, and to secure access to the land and natural resources on which they depend.







## **2** Gender Equality & Empowerment of Women and Girls

We are dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women through advocacy and the implementation of bold, innovative and evidenced informed community based interventions the contributes towards the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against women in Ghana.

We recognized that; gender inequalities are still deep-rooted in every facet of the Ghanaian society. Women suffer from lack of access to decent work and face occupational discrimination and gender wage gaps. In many situations, they are denied access to basic education and health care and are victims of violence and discrimination.

They are under-represented in political and economic decision-making processes.

As part of its core Mandate; CDA-Ghana is working towards the elimination of discrimination against women and girls, empowerment of women, and achievement of equality between women and men as partners and beneficiaries of development, human rights, humanitarian action and peace and security.

Our work is in total affirmation of the vital role of women and the need for their full and equal participation and leadership in all areas of sustainable development.







## **3** Promote Good Health and Wellbeing

We continue to play a catalytic role that impacts preventive health outcomes by working with stakeholders and partners to strengthen community health systems, increase access to prevention, testing and treatment services for most vulnerable and at risk populations. We combat all form of stigma and discrimination against people living with or affected by HIV/AIDS, TB, Covid-19 and others.

Our aim is to contribute to better healthcare outcomes for marginalized and most at risk populations including people living with HIV, Sex workers, adolescents and most at risk populations living in under-served communities in Ghana.

Our strategies encompasses a combination of structural-level and individual-level interventions that empowers people living with HIV, sex workers and other most at risk populations with skills and opportunities to mobilize, assert their rights, develop and implement their own preventive and anti-stigma interventions within their social and cultural context. We also catalyse economic empowerment initiatives that directly target PLHIV groups through vocational/apprenticeship skills training and Mobile-money 'vendership' that enables them to generate income for sustained livelihood support.







# 4 Good governance and social accountability

We are committed to promoting participative democracy, sustainable development, Equal Rights and social justice through the community mobilization, advocacy, and empowerment of people particularly women and youth.

We are accredited with the United Nations Economic and Social Affairs Committee and are dedicated to strengthening people's participation in all aspects of public dialogue. We work to ensure that every person is able to fully participate in and contribute to the sustainable development of a peaceful and equitable community.

### OUR KEY GRANT/DONOR PARTNERS OVER THE PAST 3 YEARS

**UNICEF Ghana** 

DFID/Adams Smith International (ASI)

USAID/ADVANCE Feed the Future Program

USAID/CARE International GSAM Project

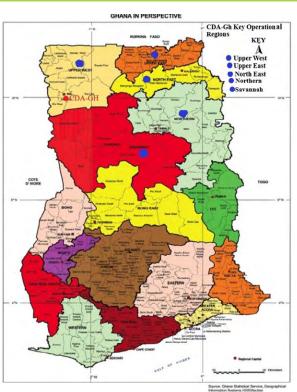
**STAR Ghana Foundation** 

**CARE International** 

Viiv Healthcare International/ Positive Action for Children Fund (PACF)

Stop TB Partnership

## OUR KEY OPERATIONAL ZONES/REGIONS



Operates largely in the Northern Savanna Ecological Zone of Ghana

Our main office located in WA the Regional Capital of the Upper West Region.

#### **Head Office Address**

Ghana Post GPS XW 0151-9965, Seidu Tendanna St, Kpaguri, Post Office Box 490



### **OUR AGRICULTURE** PROJECT OUTCOMES





**Improved** competitiveness of the maize & soybean value chains, thereby increasing incomes of more than 10,000 small holder farmers. This is achieved by:

- Improved crop yields through diffusion of innovations, access to seed, inputs and good agronomic practices
- Improved accountability in the implementation of agriculture sector policies through farmer-led advocacy actions
- Reduction in post harvest losses
- Increased access to market opportunities
- Increased incomes of beneficiaries
- Reduction in Hunger



#### **KEY RESULTS ACHIEVED**

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## Good Health and Wellbeing:

- Directly reached 25490
  people with information,
  education and services on
  prevention of HIV New Infections
  in most at risk communities in the
  Upper West Region
- Increased uptake of HIV Testing for 1654 target pregnant women who tested for HIV and knows their status.
- Reached a total of 5623 non pregnant women including breastfeeding mothers and adolescent girls who tested for HIV and receive their results
- Contributed to the case detection 48 HIV positive cases among pregnant women and 37 cases among non-pregnant women in the target high risk communities

### **KEY RESULTS ACHIEVED**









### **Results on promoting** gender Equality **Empowerment of Women and Girls**

- Empowered 10,000 girls and young women to overcome child marriage, female genital mutilation and negative social and cultural practices
- Supported 150 teen mums with vocational and apprenticeship skills training
- Support 200 victims of child marriage and teen mums to get back to school

## Good governance and social accountability









- Increased citizens participation and oversight in local & national government decision making for improved development outcomes
- Improved social accountability mechanisms
- Increased active citizenship and women participation in decision making processes



