



2019
ANNUAL REPORT



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2019 At a Glance

In 2019 we empowered over:

1,400 street-connected children

through all our different programs
and departments

110 street-connected youth

thanks to our socio-educational
workshops on their rights as children,
conflict management or healthy habits

100 families

through workshops and follow-up visits
in our Children in Families Department
and Hebron Homes

Thousands more children

in essential topics as health, education,
family planning and others through
our street work

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Letter from the Directors

Dear Sponsors, Board, Coworkers and Friends,

2019 was the year of our 20th Anniversary. During this amazing year, we did not only celebrate the success of every street-connected child and keep seeking for their best possible development, but we also laid the foundation for the expansion of our work in 2020.

It was certainly a period of self-reflection and internal evolution. Our Managers were empowered by leadership and project management trainings. We developed a human resources strategy, the concepts and tools for our new branches in Kumasi and Tamale, and went through a deep thinking process in an effort to increase our capacity to measure the outputs and outcomes of our work.

We contributed with our experience to expert groups we are part of, with the aim of making a difference nationally. And we actively participated into different committees also at a district, regional and national level.

Our focus for next year is to open and start the two new branches running to ensure that we reach our goal of empowering street-connected children in their family also in the northern and middle belt of Ghana.

Thank you so much for your continued trust and support. Likewise, we would like to express our gratitude to our staff for their passion and their expertise they give daily to our children. Every single child deserves a chance for a brighter future, so thank you all for making it possible for so many of them!

Amon Kotey, Daniela Rüdüsüli Sodjah, Awuley Nartey

Our Work and Structure

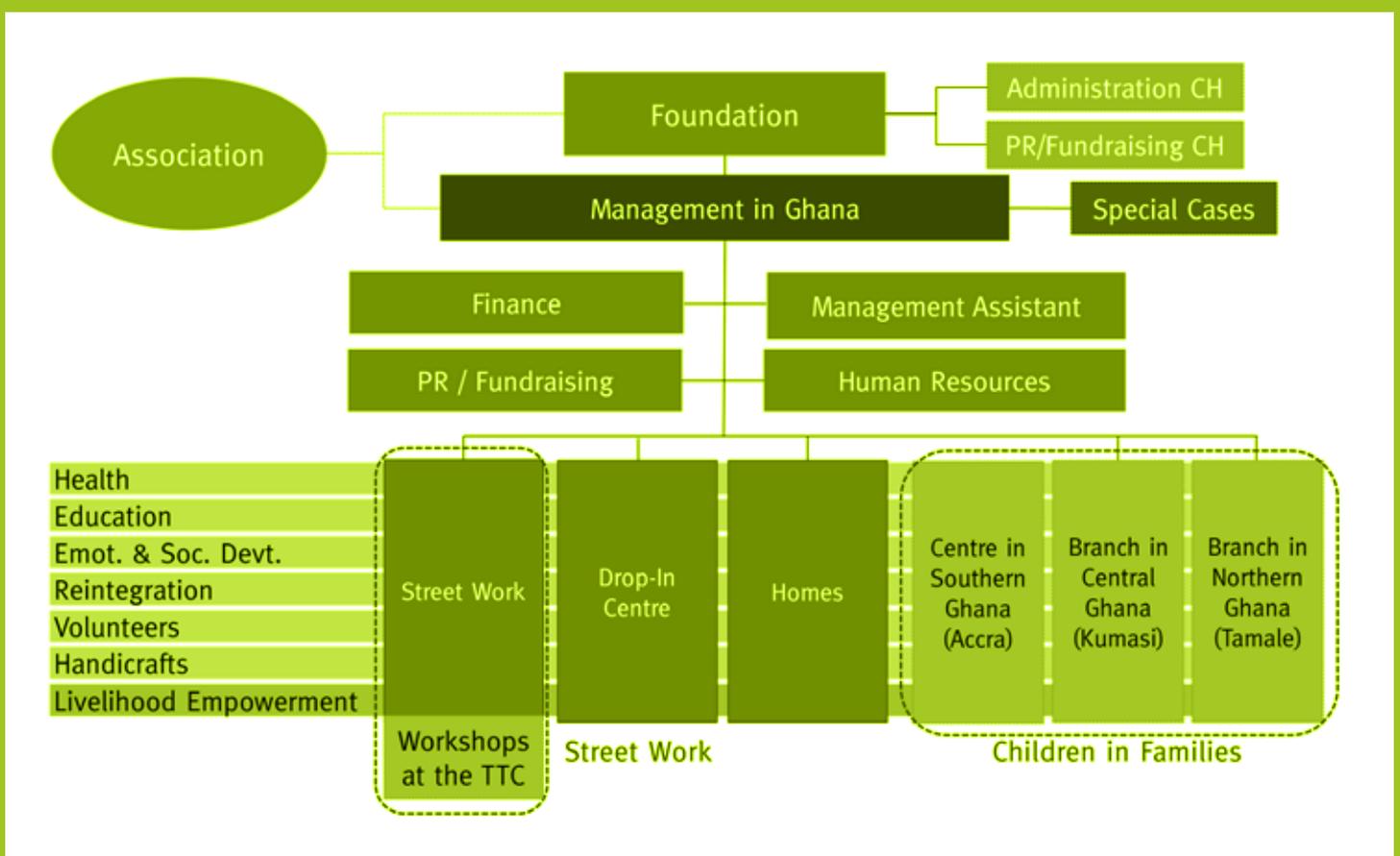
We have been working with street-connected children and families in Ghana for 20 years, and we strive for continuous improvement.

Behind our work there is a holistic model that covers the different developmental stages and needs of a child. We run four different departments and strengthen children and their families through several programs: Health, Emotional and Social Development, Formal Education and Vocational Training, Reintegration into Families, and Livelihood Empowerment.

The NGO is headed by Daniela Rüdüsüli Sodjah, who manages the organisation in Ghana together with Daniel Awuley Nartey and Amon Kotey. Since February 2019, the Chance for Children Foundation is the strategic head in Switzerland.

The Swiss-Ghanaian connection opens up an excellent knowledge transfer between two cultures and connects people in both countries. This is certainly one of the reasons why we have developed into an organisation that is recognized nationally and internationally for its wealth of experience and expertise.

In 2019 we were 56 Ghanaian women and men and 3 European women, as well as numerous volunteers who worked towards our vision in Ghana. All employees are qualified in their respective fields. Chance for Children puts great importance on fair working conditions and appropriate social benefits.



Street Work

From Monday to Friday our four street workers walk our street areas empowering thousands of street-connected children monthly by providing guidance and workshops.

They go through a gradual and respectful process of building a trusting relationship with the children, during which they may visit the child's relatives, assess their educational options or invite them to joint activities. After some time, the child is either reintegrated into their family, referred to our Drop-In Centre or recommended to other organizations.

Our Results

5 children were brought back to school

35 new children were referred to the Drop-In Centre

8 children completed our preparation program, went back to school and accomplished the school year

110 youth and many adults attended our workshops at the GIZ's premises

3 children were reunited with their family





Drop-In Centre

When you are walking down a sandy side street in the busy suburb of Abbossey Okai, you'd be amazed by the laughter and clapping of children playing *ampe* and football. This sounds come from behind the bright green gate of our Drop-In Centre, where we offer 45 street-connected children daily the chance to rest, bath, eat, play and learn in our classes and workshops.

Social workers and educators are present to support them and, together with their family if appropriate, determine the best next intervention with the children with short, mid and long-term objectives. This ensures we support each child on a case-by-case basis. In some instances, the Department of Social Welfare submits a referral for a child to live at the Chance for Children Homes, or at other organizations.

Our Results

320 children benefited from the services offered at our Drop-In Centre

10 children were prepared for and reintegrated into Primary School

6 children where moved to our Homes in Hebron

1 child was referred to another NGO

17 children were reunited with their family





Hebron Homes

The location of our homes was deliberately chosen not far from Accra but in the countryside, in a village named Hebron. Here, the children and youth can develop in a quiet, safe environment where the immediate proximity to the street is avoided, which reduces the risk that the children go back to them. 30 boys and 40 girls grow up in a family-based setting, get their education and develop step by step towards reunification with their family and becoming independent, responsible individuals.



Our Results

72 children benefited from the services in our Homes

59 children accomplished the school year

15 children completed Primary School

6 children completed Junior Secondary School

1 child completed Senior High School

6 young adults went through an apprenticeship

1 young adult was employed

61 children remained in our Homes, committed to their journey to a dignified, respectful life

6 children were reunited with their own family



Children in Families

We are always seeking to reunify street-connected children with their family or with a caretaker. However, it must be ensured that they can be offered a safe, caring environment which nurtures their development.

We empower the families through financial support, workshops and guidance to make sure the child's basic needs and education are covered. Our new branches in Tamale and Kumasi will contribute to expand this department in the north and middle belt of Ghana.

Our Results

54 children stayed with their family

54 families were empowered through workshops, follow-up and advice

45 children completed the school year

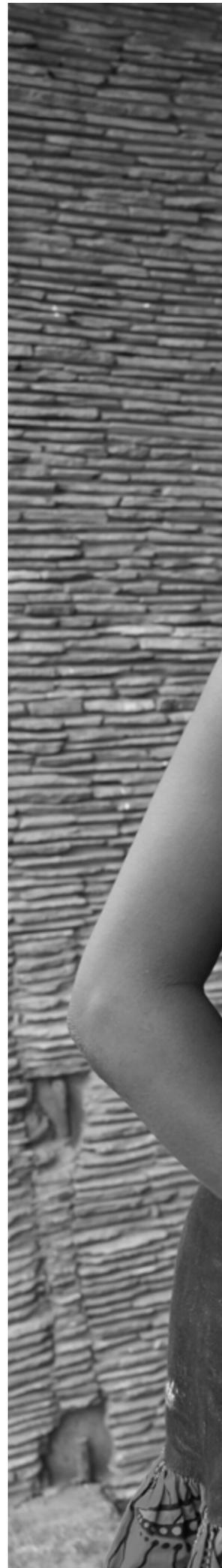
4 children completed Primary school

3 children completed Junior Secondary School

2 children completed Senior High School, Technical Training or Vocational School

5 youth lived together in the apartment

3 were in apprenticeship and 2 attended SHS





Graduates

Twenty-two young adults have graduated with a profession or from Secondary High School since 2015. Ibrahim and Ishmael completed SHS in 2019, and we would like to congratulate them for this great success.

83% of the graduates
are working in 2019

22% are furthering
their **education**

87% can live from
what they earn



My name is Ishmael and I was born in Agbogbloshie, a slum in Accra. My mother died when I was twelve and since then, I never saw my father again. My world had fallen apart. Most of the other children who were with me on the street didn't make it. It is not easy to come out of the street, but I thank God because through CFC's support, I have been able to go to school to make something of my life.

I went to Winneba Secondary School. Now I want to become a bank manager and I need to put in my best so that dream is fulfilled.

My advice is: "Don't look down on yourself. Don't think you can't rise to the next level. You can! It won't be easy but you can!" I was born into a poor family. Where we used to live, the roof would leak when it rained, but that doesn't define me. Look at where I am now. I am the only person in my family to have finished SHS and I will become a bank manager. I plan to marry at 27. I've started dating a girl who grew up in an orphanage and we want to have two children, and then adopt two more.

Programs

EDUCATION

It is very important for our children to have the chance to experience learning as something valuable, fun and useful for their lives. We start with educational workshops on the street and continue through all our departments.

EMOTIONAL AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

We do not only focus on formal education, but we also foster the child's emotional, social and moral development, because we know how much they need to feel loved and safe and build their self-worth.

HEALTH

In collaboration with Governmental hospitals and nurses, we raise children's awareness on personal hygiene and health, and ensure that they are vaccinated according to the Ghanaian Health Guidelines.

REINTEGRATION

Reunifying children with their family is our main goal, and we do this through a reintegration procedure that goes into every step necessary at each department until reunification is viable.

HANDICRAFTS

The aim of producing and selling our products is that the children discover their creative and organizational skills and have fun creating local handicrafts. In February 2019 we launched a new brand image for our products, which are works of art made with joy.

VOLUNTEERS

Throughout 2019, 9 volunteers from PH Luzern, PZH and BFH in Switzerland came to support us in our work with our children in Ghana. The exchange between CFC social workers and volunteers is always enriching for all sides.

LIVELIHOOD EMPOWERMENT

In 2019, this program included providing guidance and workshops on money handling to children of different ages in our Homes in Hebron.



Collaborations

Collaboration and exchange with governmental and other non-governmental organizations, companies and different stakeholders are very important to us. We bring our 20 years of experience into various committees and working groups and continuously learn further by exchanging with others. The Department of Social Welfare is one of these key institutions with which we maintain a fruitful collaboration.

As in previous years, we also continue working with schools and universities in Ghana and Switzerland through shared activities, volunteering, providing practical training in social work and teaching degrees, consulting and other valuable actions.

SOME OF OUR COLLABORATIONS IN 2019



Special Thanks

On 16th February 2019, during the Extraordinary General Meeting in Gommiswald (Switzerland), the members of the CFC Association approved the statutes and gave the Board the mandate to establish the Chance for Children Foundation. Six days later, the Chance for Children Foundation was created as the strategic head of Chance for Children in Ghana. The Foundation is established as a non-profit foundation under the Swiss law, and is responsible for strategic orientation, governance and compliance. With a view to ensuring continuity, the Board of Trustees currently consists of the seven former members of the CFC Association Board, who perform their duties on an honorary basis.

We would like to give a special thanks to all the members of the Association for their trust and support during all these years, and to the members of Board of Trustees for their commitment to keep empowering street-connected children and their families in Ghana.

CHANCE FOR CHILDREN FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Daniela Rüdüsüli Sodjah



Rolf Leuzinger



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Markus Krattiger



Martin Arzethauser



Iris Henseler



Markus Bernet

Towards our Vision 2020

We set out goals through continuous in-depth reflection on every area of our work, which we also do to develop and implement internal processes and improvements.

Our Vision 2020 focuses on expanding our street work in Accra and opening two new branches in the northern and middle belt of Ghana with the aim of reaching further in our work for street-connected children and families.

So far we have...

Reinforced quality standards and reporting tools in our Street Work Department

Set the basis regarding structure, human resources and tools for the opening of our branches in Tamale and Kumasi in January 2020

Recruited and trained 2 teams of two Social Workers and one SW Coordinator





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Finances

All financial information about Chance for Children in Ghana and Switzerland for 2019 is presented in the following pages.

The auditors listed below have reviewed the financials of CFC Association, CFC Foundation in Switzerland and the CFC NGO in Ghana for the fiscal year ending on December 31, 2019.

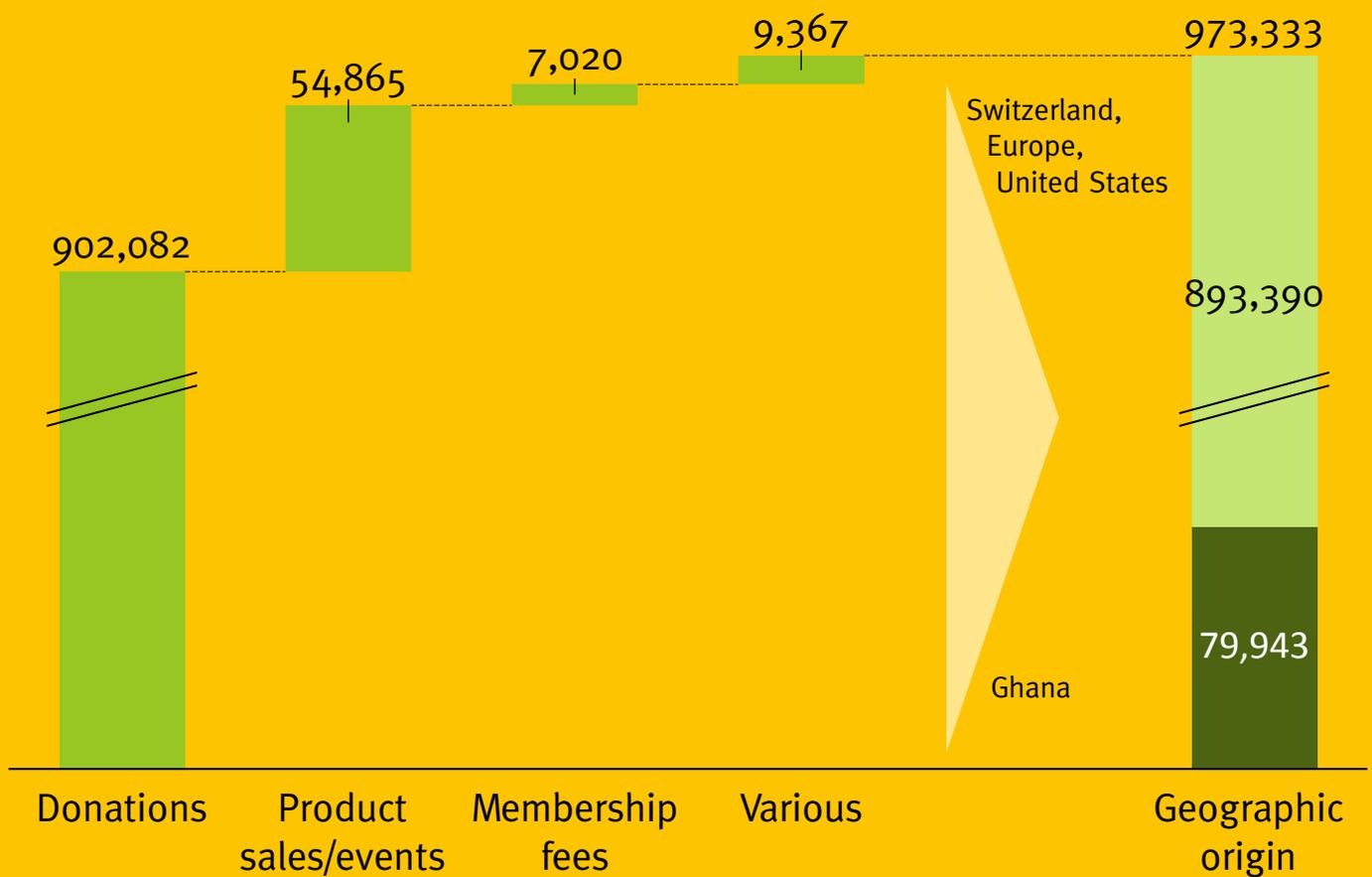
Financials have been audited based on control samples and analysis. The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement match with the accounting figures. According to the Auditors' assessment, accounting complies with legal and statutory regulations.

Audit for CFC Association and CFC Foundation was performed by Stieger + Partner Revisions AG, Neuhofstrasse 5, 8645 Rapperswil-Jona, Switzerland, and the CFC NGO was audited by KPMG Ghana, Accra.

Income

During 2019, Chance for Children received donations to the amount of CHF 902,082 with approximately CHF 67,102 coming from Ghana (including remuneration from GIZ).

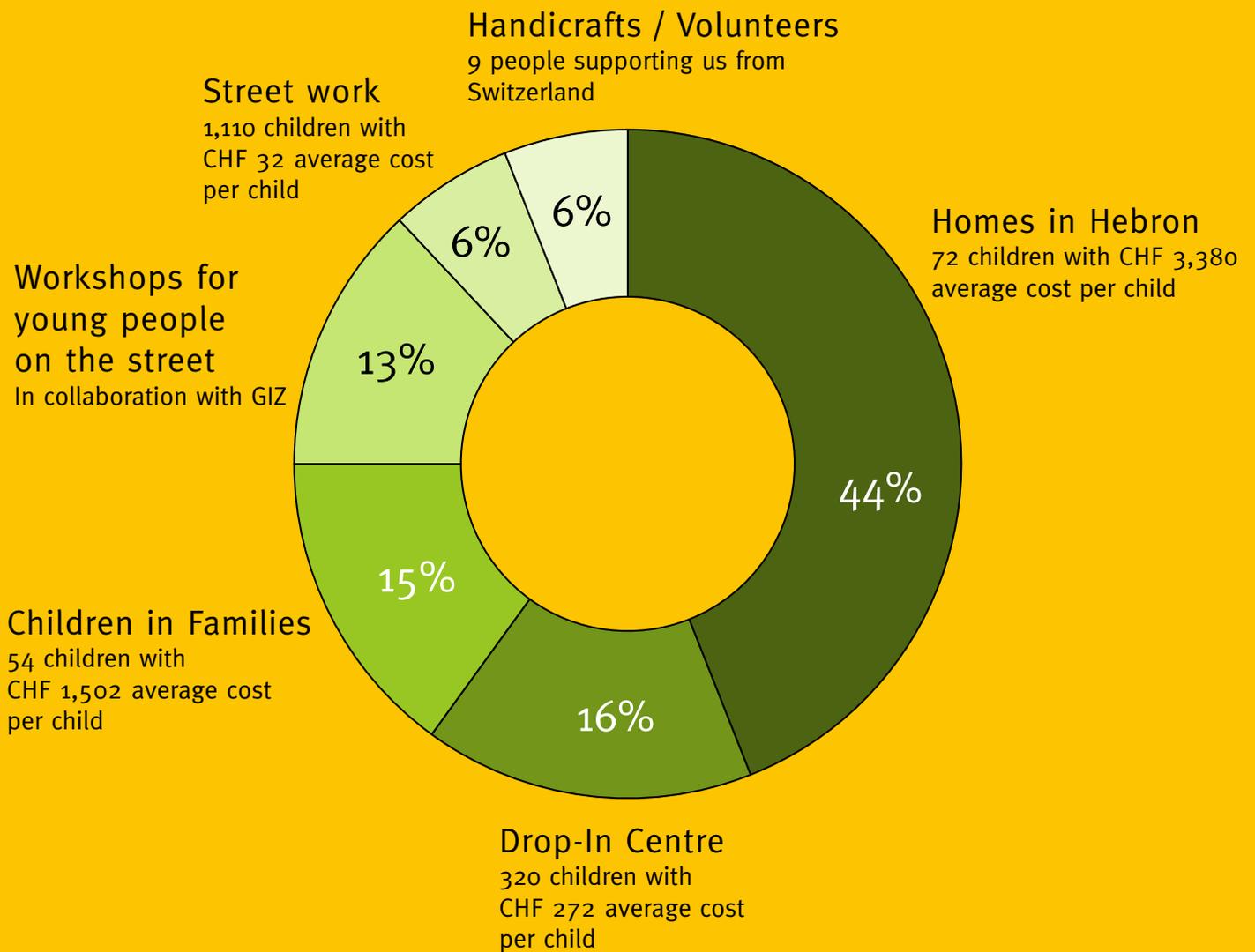
Article sales and events/workshops generated an income of CHF 54,865 with approximately CHF 12,841 generated in Ghana.



Swiss Francs, from January 1 to December 31 2019

Expenses

In 2019 expenses amounted to CHF 779,553 for over 1,500 children in Ghana.



Swiss Francs, from January 1 to December 31 2019

Profit & Loss Statement

Chance for Children 2019 PROFIT & LOSS 1.1.-31.12.2019		CfC Switzerland 2019	CfC Ghana 2019	CfC Total 2019	CfC 2018	Annual comparison	
						Abs.	in %
INCOME							
	Income from handicraft sales	25'005	6'305	31'310	33'266		
	Income from activities	17'018	6'536	23'555	6'095		
	Membership fees	7'020		7'020	6'670		
	Income products & events	49'043	12'841	61'884	46'031	15'853	34%
	Income from donations	911'979	67'102	979'081	668'132	310'948	47%
	Transfer of donations Switzerland - Ghana	-565'000	565'000	-	-		
	Allocation of restricted Donations to Ghana	-134'301	134'301	-	-		
	Transfers	-699'301	699'301	-	-		
	Allocation of restricted donations	-76'999	-	-76'999	58'946	-135'945	
	Anniversary celebration 20 years CfC	9'367		9'367			
	Other income	9'367		9'367	-	9'367	
	TOTAL INCOME	194'088	779'244	973'333	773'110	200'223	26%
EXPENSES							
	Expenses for activities	7'231		7'231		7'231	
	Expenses for donations / fundraising	33'989		33'989		33'989	
	Total donations expense	41'221		41'221		41'221	
	Salary - and remuneration expense	44'223	217'915	262'138	192'027	70'111	
	Social securities	7'693	26'067	33'761	28'636	5'125	
	Other personnel expenses	1'090	74'920	76'011	42'144	33'867	
	Total personnel expenses	53'007	318'902	371'909	262'806	109'103	42%
	Total expenses property/furniture	-	34'352	34'352	52'915	-18'563	-35%
	Total charges/fees	1'240		1'240	378	862	
	Total administrative expense	38'158	13'326	51'484	46'099	5'386	12%
	Total advertising expenses	398		398	1'868	-1'470	-79%
	Programs		129'222	129'222	146'551	-17'329	
	Vehicle operating expense		9'351	9'351	17'367	-8'016	
	Staff training		25'025	25'025	1'481	23'544	
	Consulting costs		19'359	19'359	1'237	18'122	
	Production handicraft sales	2'540	5'570	8'110	36'745	-28'635	
	Other		33'339	33'339	17'675	15'664	
	Depreciation		38'366	38'366	25'853	12'513	
	FX driven change in assets		14'456	14'456	29'291	-14'835	
	Total project expense	2'540	274'688	277'229	272'089	5'139	2%
	Total financial expense	2'141		2'141	1'247	894	72%
	Total financial income	-420		-420	-227	-193	85%
	TOTAL EXPENSE	138'285	641'268	779'553	670'917	108'636	16%
	Gain / Loss	55'804	137'976	193'780	102'193	91'587	90%

Swiss Francs, from January 1 to December 31 2019

Balance Sheet

Chance for Children 2019 Balance Sheet 31.12.2019		CfC Switzerland 2019	CfC Ghana 2019	CfC Total 2019	CfC 2018	Annual comparison	
						Abs.	in %
Assets	Cash	1'236'874	116'296	1'353'170	1'211'782	141'388	12%
	Accounts receivable	9'514	10'177	19'691	202	19'489	
	Prepaid expenses	360	7'698	8'058	914	7'145	
	Withholding tax credit	122					
	Total current assets	1'246'869	134'171	1'381'041	1'212'898	168'143	14%
	Financial assets	490		490	490	-	
	Mobile tangible assets	-	134'572	134'572	66'580	67'992	
	Real Estate	-	366'882	366'882	429'997	-63'115	
	Total non-current assets	490	501'454	501'944	497'067	4'877	1%
	TOTAL ASSETS	1'247'359	635'625	1'882'985	1'710'035	172'950	10%
Liabilities	Liabilities	-4'652	-9'664	-14'316	-9'290	-5'026	
	Deferred income	-8'639	-6'028	-14'667	-	-14'667	
	Total current liabilities	-13'291	-15'692	-28'983	-9'290	-19'693	212%
	Total non-current liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total restricted donations	-167'519	-	-167'519	-95'020	-72'499	76%
	Total pension fund Ghana	-	-47'024	-47'024	-44'708	-2'315	5%
	Total equity	-1'010'746	-434'933	-1'445'680	-1'428'730	-16'950	1%
	Total annual result (Gain/ Loss)	-55'804	-137'976	-193'780	-102'193	-91'587	90%
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	-1'247'359	-635'625	-1'882'985	-1'679'941	-203'044	12%

Swiss Francs, from January 1 to December 31 2019

Chance for Children 20th Anniversary

Thank you so much for celebrating with us our 20th Anniversary in Switzerland and in Ghana. We felt an amazing encouragement to keep providing every street-connected child with a chance for a bright future for at least 20 more years!





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SWIFT/BIC: RAIFCH22

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