

Newsletter September 2020

Dear Donor,

How we embraced the current situation and followed through on our commitments

The year 2020 has begun as planned with the opening of our new branches in Kumasi and Tamale. In mid-March, the government reacted to the first Covid-19 cases with a "lockdown" in the cities of Accra and Kumasi. This had devastating consequences for the most disadvantaged of the population. Many street-connected children and their families lost their income opportunities. We reacted with **immediate food distribution and hygiene workshops, started sewing fabric masks and setting up a "helpline" for street-connected children.**

The number of people infected with Covid-19 has been rising steadily ever since. The impact on the economy, social life, schools which have been closed since, and the health system is massive. In this crisis there have been many signs and opportunities for the future in recent months, for which we are incredibly grateful and which we implemented: **Our main goal remained to continue empowering street-connected children and families while at the same time protecting our employees.**

During these past five months we were able to

- ✳ Give street-connected children over 30,000 meals, stay in contact with them and reintegrate them with their families in their communities
- ✳ Strengthen families and ensure that the children and families are accompanied by telephone counselling
- ✳ Ensure all children in our departments have access to learning materials/platforms
- ✳ Maintain the prospects of the children in the home with a varied program until the schools are reopening
- ✳ Develop the technical infrastructure and train employees so that a large part of our work can be carried out without physical relocation
- ✳ Reflect on concepts for our current programs and adapt the corresponding interventions to changing conditions

- * Sharing knowledge and experience through cooperation with various partners, NGOs and social authorities and contributing to the well-being of children in Ghana Strengthen villages and communities through educational workshops.



It is not an easy time. There is a lot going on, but we are ready and determined to use and implement all ways and opportunities in the coming months as well.

Thank you, that with us, you too, are making opportunities possible and **give street-connected children, families and even communities a real perspective for life!**

Let us act together!

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Thanks for your support!

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