

Dear Donor

### Stability in times of uncertainty

We live in unquiet and uncertain times. Our world is disbalanced in many ways and life conditions continue to change. In Ghana, the income gap is increasing. Many people work in the informal sector and do not have access to secure work, benefits, welfare protection, or representation.



Prices for fuel and hence for groceries have massively increased during the last few months. This has led to people addressing their unrest through demonstrations – the existential fear is growing amongst Ghana's population. Poverty and inequality are felt by the **children of the poorest populations and perhaps most affect street-connected children.**

These children have had adjust to a life full of instability and unrest. Street-connected children learn to live day-by-day, seeing what it brings in order to cope and find ways to simply survive.

For these reasons it is so important that we support them in finding **stability in their lives**. We do that by visiting them each day on the streets, being there for them, inviting them into our Drop-In Center to ultimately – step-by-step - accompany them back into their families, their schools or their professional endeavors. Their minds and souls are particularly affected, and thus our psychologists, social workers and house mothers / fathers do their best to support them mentally. For all of us, finding **inner balance is a life-long journey**, which constantly needs **adjustment to changing circumstances**. For that reason, it is so important that we strengthen the children in a multitude of ways so that they not only learn to cope with their life on the streets, but are more prepared for life in a family setting, in school, in the workplace and in society.





We remain focused on giving even more street-connected children the chance to unleash their potential and to help them change their life perspectives. That means that we, as an organization, need to grow. Next year we look forward to launching two new branches in Dambai and Takoradi. That means that we will be adding new colleagues to our team. At the moment we are dedicated to **strengthening our team members** in order to enable them to guide and shape the growth of our organization.

Strengthening street-connected children to hopefully enjoy a bright future means we must find the best solutions for each individual street-connected child. The children are our focus and we want to spend as much time as needed directly with them and not for administrative and bureaucratic tasks. For this reason we have standardized and digitalized what otherwise would consume a lot of our staff's time and resources.

Thank you sincerely for your trust in us and for your support of our work. Thank you for changing the life perspectives of many more street-connected children, enabling them to gain stability in times of unrest and uncertainty, so that they can develop the mental strength to cope with the constantly changing world around them.

Warm regards



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