



PLAY SOCCER GHANA

NEWSLETTER
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OVERVIEW

Play Soccer Ghana was established in 2001 as Play Soccer Non Profit International (PSNI) first pilot program and over the years has expanded from a single site with 100 children to 3000 currently benefiting from various project interventions across the country.

Play Soccer Ghana aims at equipping the children with the requisite life skills needed for their healthy development into skilled, capable, educated and responsible adults and thus become agents of change within their communities as well as act as a catalyst for community development on a whole.

Play Soccer Ghana is a member of the Common Goal Community, and Sports for Social Change Network. The organization collaborates with schools, Government ministries and development agencies, and other civil society organizations in the delivery of its interventions

PLAY FOR FUN, LEARN FOR LIFE

Play Soccer (core) programme uses football as a tool to teach, health, social and football skills to children between the ages of 5-15 years in disadvantaged communities. It is an educational programme that promotes development through sport operating with the motto; “Play for fun, learn for life!”



ENHANCING HYGIENE PRACTICES IN BASIC SCHOOLS

Play Soccer Ghana is implementing the Football for Hygiene project supported by Manchester City Citizens Giving in partnership with Xylem Inc. The two years grant which commenced from June 2022 aims at contributing to improving knowledge on proper handwashing and access to potable water handwashing facilities in basic schools. The project is being implemented across three basic schools namely, Police Basic school in Tamale in the Northern region, St. Francis Catholic Basic school and Dehia English and Arabic school in Cape Coast in the Central Region and will reach about 2,500 young people.



TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES THROUGH ENVIRONET PROGRAM

Play Soccer Ghana is still implementing the Environnets project supported by Aspire Coronation Trust (ACT) in Nigeria. A one-year grant which commenced from June 2023 will end in May 2024. The project supported the Core Program and the Knitting of Playsoccer Nets. In 2024 the project will continue with other activities including donations of clean up materials to communities, clean up exercises and stakeholder engagement meetings on waste management. The project which seeks to achieve Goals 3 (Good health and wellbeing) and 6 (Clean water and sanitation) of the United Nations 2030 Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals will be implemented in Dehia and Bakaano all in Cape Coast in the Central region

Approximately **3,500** sachet rubbers form a single "playsoccer net"

SDG:



Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages



Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERS

Play Soccer Ghana has received two volunteers from the New Worldwide Organization who would be us for some period



Katie Langdon
From United Kingdom



Damien Firth
From United Kingdom

UPCOMING EVENTS

Commemoration of 2024 World Water Day

In line with the 2024 Global theme, the World Water Day celebration will be commemorated by Play Soccer Ghana on Friday 22nd March, 2024. The event will bring together over 100 pupils from selected schools to commemorate the occasion. Invited guests will include Officers from the Ghana Education Service. Participants will be engaged in series of activities including quiz competitions, practical sessions on handwashing and PFFLFL sessions to inculcate proper handwashing attitudes and ensure water is conserved and used properly.



PARTNERS

We are deeply thankful to the following partners who have shown significant commitment to Play Soccer Ghana by generously providing funding, supporting program implementation



Oguaaman Street League empowers disadvantaged youth through structured sports, fostering physical fitness, life skills, and positive choices for employment, independent living, and healthy lifestyles.



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