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- Install water chlorination systems that provide clean, safe drinking water

How you can help:

- Feed a child in Ghana by sponsoring a daily breakfast for a year for \$65
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What We Do

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Sustainable Development



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Agriculture

Partnering with Community Water and Sanitation Committees (CAPS) to improve public health through community-scale water chlorination systems so families can lead healthier, more productive lives

Offering women micro-loans and training to generate income to meet their families' needs, and supporting girls' education through Teen Girls Clubs

Establishing school farms and feeding programs to ensure children start the day hunger-free, and offering targeted nutritional support during the first 1,000 days of life

Addressing youth unemployment through practical training on low-land use agro-enterprises such as poultry, rabbitry, grasscutter, and mushroom production

Helping farmers grow more and better food to nourish their families and communities through practical, hands-on training sessions and demonstration plots

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