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A LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear **Partner in Development,**



As we look back on the achievements of 2024, I am filled with profound pride and gratitude for the collective impact we have made through Renel Ghana Foundation. This year has truly demonstrated the power of collaboration, resilience, and our unwavering belief in the potential of women/girls, children, youth and people living with disabilities to transform their communities and the world.

With your steadfast support, we expanded our reach, equipping more than 3,000 project participants with the skills, resources, and confidence they need to thrive. From introducing the Agriempower women initiative to fostering climate adaptation for underprivileged communities, our initiatives have sparked ripples of change that will endure for generations to come.

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Throughout 2024, we celebrated milestones that reaffirmed our mission. Whether it was in education, health and well-being, women empowermrnt or climate change witnessing project participants realise their full potential was truly inspring. I want to emphasise that each story of triumph reminded us why we do this work.

As we look toward 2025, we remain deeply committed to driving sustainable change and amplifying the voices of the groups we serve across Ghana. Together, we will continue breaking barriers, challenging norms, and unlocking the boundless potential within the communities we serve.

Thank you for continously standing with us and believing in the power of our interventions to empower people across Ghana.

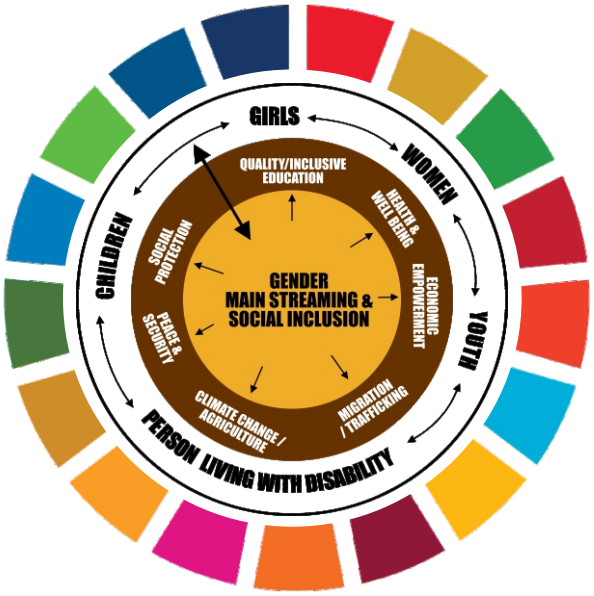
In Solidarity and hope,

Nelson Richardson Mandela
Executive Director

ABOUT US

Renel Ghana Foundation (RGF) is a Non-Governmental Organization working to promote and protect the rights of women, girls, children and youth in their intersecting identities and make them realize their full potential to reduce poverty. RGF is legally registered under the laws of Ghana and currently works with ten staff and two hundred and thirty volunteers across the world.

Over our existence, we have created a lasting impact on the lives of the most vulnerable and excluded communities whilst promoting gender equality. We are committed to change and development through gender mainstreaming and social protection. Our work is gender transformative, rights-based, active at all levels, and partnership driven. We believe that humanity starts with you



(REGIONS AND MUNICIPALS/DISTRICTS)

1 UPPER WEST
1. Wa Municipal
2. Wa East
3. Nadowli/Kaleo
4. Sissala West

2 UPPER EAST
1. Bolgatanga East
2. Bolgatanga Municipal
3. Kassena Nankana West
4. Kassena Nankana East

3 SAVANNAH
1. East Gonja
2. Central Gonja
3. West Gonja

4 North East
1. East Mamprusi
2. West Mamprusi

5 Northern
1. Yendi
2. Tamale Metropolitan
3. Sagnerigu
4. Zabzugu
5. Tolon
6. Savelugu

6 Oti
1. Krachi East
2. Nkwata South
3. Biakoya
4. Krachi West
5. Kadjebi

7 Bono
1. Jaman North
2. Jaman South
3. Brekum West
4. Sunyani

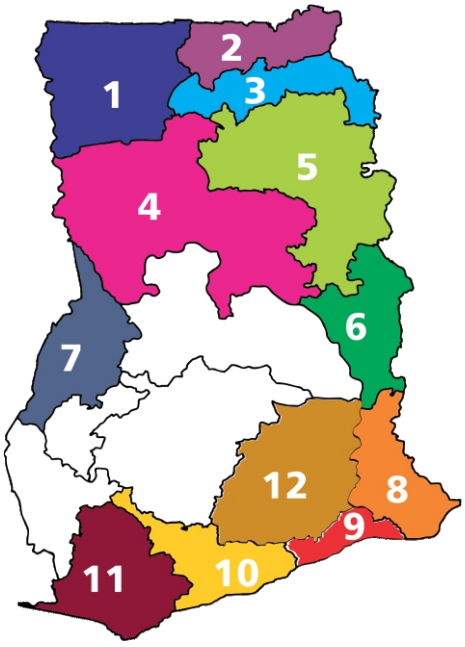
8 Volta
1. Ho
2. South Tongu
3. North Tongu
4. Central Tongu
5. Kpando
6. Hohoe

9 Greater Accra
1. Adenta
2. Ada East
3. Ada West
4. Accra Metropolitan
5. Ayawaso West
6. Ayawaso East
7. Ashaiman
8. Ningo Prampram
9. Tema West
10. La Nkwantanang Madina
11. Okaikwei North
12. Ledzokuku

10 Central
1. Ekemfi
2. Gomoa
3. Mfantsiman
4. Awutu Senya
5. Awutu Effutu Senya
6. Cape Coast

11 Western
1. Shama Ahanta East
2. Jomoro

12 Eastern
1. Kwahu East
2. Birim Central
3. Kwahu West
4. Akuapim South
5. Afram Plains



Mission

To enhance life skills using an integrated, multi-faceted approach in wealth creation, empowering women/girls, children, youth, and persons living with disabilities for quality life.

Vision

We envisage a world where women and girls, children, youth and persons living with disabilities have the chance to realize their full potential with equitable resources

Values

Integrity Accomplishment Respect Learning Community Involvement Professionalism Commitment.

Impact snapshot

Over 3, 000 direct beneficiaries
20 communities and schools reached
1,320 sanitary pads distributed

Strategic Initiatives

AGRIEMPOWER WOMEN PROJECT







The AgriEmpower Women Project, initiated by Renel Ghana Foundation, is designed to enhance food security and agricultural productivity among women-led farming groups in northern Ghana, particularly in communities such as Walewale, Kpegira, Loagri, and Sundanfoungu within the West Mamprusi Municipal District. The project provides financial support to five women-led farmer groups, enabling them to cultivate groundnuts on five acres each, while also improving infrastructure through better irrigation systems and larger storage facilities to reduce post-harvest losses.

Capacity-building programs focus on financial literacy, savings management, and access to modern farming tools such as knapsack sprayers, quality seeds, fertilizers, and pesticides. Community engagement is central, with dialogue sessions helping to identify challenges and implement tailored solutions.

By addressing hunger, malnutrition, and economic empowerment, the project aligns with Sustainable Development Goals including no poverty, zero hunger, sustainable communities, and responsible consumption, ultimately aiming to uplift women farmers and contribute to the socio-economic development of the region.

OUTCOMES

1. Supported five women-led farming groups from ploughing to harvesting in the West Mamprusi Municipal in the North East Region.

2. Enhanced agricultural productivity in the West Mamprusi Municipal.

3. Fostered financial indepence for 20 women who are heads of their families in Loagri and Kperiga communities.

4. Trained 125 women in fiancial literacy skills in the West Mamprusi Municipal.

YOUTH DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION INITIATIVE









At the **ECOWAS 2024 Youth Voices for Change Summit,** Renel Ghana Foundation (RGF) showcased three innovative projects developed with Florida University Computer Science students to address challenges in education, gender equity, and financial inclusion across West Africa.

These include the Flow App, which combats female student absenteeism by tracking data on menstrual-related absences and supporting targeted interventions like sanitary pad distribution while also addressing related issues such as bullying and harassment; and the **EduTracker app,** which monitors students' enrolment, retention, and completion to identify those at risk of dropping out, enabling timely interventions for reintegration or vocational training.

By providing data-driven solutions, these apps aim to reduce poverty, unemployment, and gender inequality while fostering education and regional stability.

OUTCOMES

1. Sharing of innovative ideas across the continents.

2. Opportunity to amplify the voices and ideas of young people on the issue of inequality and human rights in Ghana and beyound.

3. Built three digital Apps to solve societal issues (Flow App, Edutracker and Cash Crop App)

TEENAGE PREGNANCY ADVOCACY

On March 20, 2024, Renel Ghana Foundation carried out a teenage pregnancy advocacy campaign across all basic schools in the Abetifi community within the Kwahu South Municipality. The initiative aimed to address the heightened risk of teenage pregnancies during the Kwahu Easter festivities, which often see increased social activities, substance abuse, and unprotected sexual encounters leading to higher cases of teenage pregnancy and STIs.

By educating students on the dangers of teenage pregnancy, the importance of goal setting, and access to Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) information, the campaign sought to empower girls to stay in school and achieve their full potential.

Aligned with Sustainable Development Goals 4 (Quality Education) and 5 (Gender Equality) and part of the Generation Equality Campaign, the advocacy promoted inclusive education and gender equality while raising awareness on the need to prevent teenage pregnancies during high-risk cultural celebrations.

OUTCOMES

1. Raised awareness on teenage pregnancy and strategies to reduce/end it for school children within the Kwahu South Municipal.

2. Successfully integrated and highlighted the role of boys in the teenage pregnancy discourse.





INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL CHILD







On October 18, 2024, to commemorate the National Day of the Girl Child, Renel Ghana Foundation, in partnership with the National Youth Authority Ghana, organized a debate competition at The Most Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church in Tema West. Four schools—Kotobabi No. 2, Old Lashibi, Klagon, and Baatsona TWMA JHS participated, with students debating topics on taxing sanitary pads versus condoms and the precedence of customary laws over national laws in child marriage cases.

The event, which drew 62 participants, aimed to amplify girls' voices, promote critical thinking, and highlight gender equality. Old Lashibi TWMA JHS emerged as the winner, receiving library materials, while all participants were awarded certificates.

OUTCOMES

1. Inclusion of girls and young women the Tema West Municipal Assembly in discussions and decision-making around them.
2. Empowered 62 young girls in the TMWA to meaningfully engage in critical social issues.
3. Promoted the art of public speaking, research and critical thinking which are core competencies needed for lifelong learning for 62 school girls.
4. A platform of partnership among the Tema West Municipal Assembly, National Youth Authority and Renel Ghana Foundation.
5. Awareness creation on issues affecting the girl child and promoting social consciousness in the Municipal.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



On March 8, 2024, to mark International Women's Day under the theme "Invest in Her, Accelerate Progress; Count Her In, Inspire Inclusion," Renel Ghana Foundation, in collaboration with UNDP, hosted a policy dialogue at the UNDP Conference Room with 52 participants from various sectors.

The event focused on increasing women's participation in leadership, particularly politics, and featured a keynote by Lawyer Esther Akua Gyamfi (Executive Secretary, NCPD), who emphasized that investing in women's education, health, entrepreneurship, and leadership is key to sustainable development.

A panel discussion on "Towards a Progressive Generation: Investing in Young Women's Political Participation" highlighted the importance of mentorship, breaking structural barriers, amplifying young women's voices, ensuring access to resources, enacting supportive policies, fostering self-motivation, and engaging men as allies. The dialogue called for sustained efforts beyond Women's Day to build an equitable society where women are empowered to accelerate progress.

OUTCOMES

1. Collaboration efforts between Renel Ghana Foundation and the United Nations Development Programme.

2. Created awareness on the importance of investing in women to accelerate progress.

3. Fostered discussion among relevant stakeholders.

4. Co-creation of strategies to help invest in women for progress.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF EDUCATION

On January 24, 2024, Renel Ghana Foundation (RGF), in collaboration with the Ghana National Education Campaign Coalition (GNECC) and the World Bank Ghana, held a stakeholders' meeting at the World Bank conference room to commemorate the International Day of Education under the theme "Learning for Lasting Peace."

The event emphasized the need for sustainable government resource allocation to education to create peaceful, supportive learning environments. Keynote Speaker Mr. Palham Oyiye highlighted that peace requires meeting learners' basic needs such as nutritious food, learning resources, and supportive school climates while also addressing facilitators' challenges, including low salaries and inadequate training. He urged civil society to demand accountability from government and called for an end to hate speech as elections approach.

A panel discussion underscored that quality education fosters dialogue, builds skills through TVET, and promotes social stability. The meeting concluded with calls for timely release of educational resources, peaceful school environments, and inclusive learning materials, especially for learners with disabilities.









OUTCOMES

RGF reaffirmed its belief that education is a right, not a commodity, and pledged to continue advocating for inclusive, high-quality education as a pathway to lasting peace.

1. Increased partnership among World Bank, GNECC, and Renel Ghana Foundation.

2. Co-creation of strategies to enhance learning for lasting peace.

3. Drafting of strong advocacy message on Education financing and budgeting.

4. Successful integration of media presence to help broadcast advocacy messages.

RENEL GIRL CHILD SUPPORT

Every girl deserves to be educated! As part of our Girls Education support, we are fully supporting 15 girls to reach their full potential in life through education. One of the girls, Dorothy Tsekpor aspires to become a doctor. She is currently in her second year and offering General Science at Daffor Senior High in the Volta Region.

This is to show our commitment to Girls Education in achieving Sustainable Development Goal 4 which seeks to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all. This goal supports the reduction of disparities and inequities in education in terms of access and quality.

OUTCOMES

1. Supported a girl to successfully complete Tamale Nursing College.

2. Currently giving full scholarship to 2 girls to support their education.

3. Organised Debate competitions in the Greater Accra Region to empower school girls.

4. Increased inclusive education for girls in the Kwahu South Municipality.







CLIMATE CHANGE ADVOCACY

On 23rd November 2024, Renel Ghana Foundation organized a climate advocacy workshop in Gbani for the Buobogu Vella Women Group, focusing on transitioning from fossil fuels and promoting sustainable waste management to create cleaner, healthier communities.



Participants learned about the environmental, health, and economic impacts of common household fossil fuels such as kerosene and charcoal, and were introduced to local alternatives including solar power, biogas, and improved cookstoves.

The workshop also emphasized proper household waste separation, teaching participants to categorize waste into organic, recyclable, and non-recyclable materials, and highlighting benefits such as reducing pollution, producing compost, generating income, and minimizing disease.



A practical waste-sorting exercise allowed participants to apply these principles, discuss challenges such as limited resources and awareness, and explore solutions including resource-sharing and community sensitization.

By the end of the session, participants committed to adopting clean energy solutions and improving waste management at home, while a local sub-chief, Ziiniadana, generously offered two acres of land for an afforestation initiative, further supporting the goal of building a cleaner, sustainable community.



OUTCOMES

1. Awareness creation for Buobogu Women Group in Gbani on fossil fuel transitioning and its alternatives.

2. Trained 60 women and youth on waste separation within the Gbani community.

3. Education on daily household waste management for the 60 participants using the Trainers of Trainees (ToT) approach.

4. Waste pickers have reported that waste picking at Gbani has become easy as most participants separate their waste at home.

CLEANUP EXERCISE





On October 25, 2024, Renel Ghana Foundation organized a community cleanup exercise in Kanewu, within the Tema West Municipal Assembly, bringing together 40 community members to raise awareness on environmental waste management and inspire collective responsibility for a cleaner environment.

The initiative led to immediate improvements, as litter was cleared from streets and public spaces, creating a more hygienic and appealing area while boosting community pride and unity. With strong support from the Kanewu community and assembly members, who provided essential resources, the event highlighted the power of partnerships in tackling environmental challenges.

Building on this momentum, the Foundation plans to organize regular cleanups, run educational campaigns on recycling, advocate for better waste management infrastructure, and introduce projects that promote responsible waste disposal, reinforcing its commitment to a cleaner and more sustainable future for Ghana.



OUTCOMES

1. Increased awareness created on waste management for 40 community members in Kanewu community.

2. Forty community members pledged to take against littering and pollution.

3. Environmental cleanliness was enhanced in the Kanewu Community in the Tema West Municipal Assembly in the Greater Accra Region.

BORLA APP DEVELOPMENT COLLABORATION

On September 4, 2024, Renel Ghana Foundation held a strategic meeting with Borla GH to establish a partnership focused on leveraging digital solutions to address societal challenges in line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The discussion explored innovative ways to use the Borla App to improve waste collection, promote environmental awareness, and empower communities to adopt eco-friendly practices. Both organizations shared ideas on integrating technology into waste management systems and enhancing community engagement to foster a culture of sustainability.

This collaboration marks an important step toward a cleaner, greener future, with Renel Ghana Foundation committed to supporting the development and implementation of the Borla App. Gratitude was extended to all teams for their dedication, and the Foundation looks forward to the launch of this impactful initiative, which promises meaningful progress in environmental sustainability.

OUTCOMES

1. Increased collaborations to leverage digital solutions to address environmental issues in Ghana between Renel Ghana Foundation and ICS Borla Gh.

2. Promoted awareness on waste management and eco-friendly practices through the App usage.

3. Successfully uploaded the App on both Play store and Apple store.







COMMUNITY OUTREACH

On April 18, 2024, Renel Ghana Foundation, in collaboration with the Ghana Nurses Association – UK, conducted a community outreach program in Lolonya, Ada East District, aimed at supporting spillage victims and providing comprehensive health education. The initiative included a donation drive that supplied essential items such as sanitary pads, educational materials, clean drinking water, nose masks, and used clothing to address urgent needs and promote well-being.

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Health education sessions covered nutrition, personal hygiene, sanitation, preventive healthcare, mental health, and sexual and reproductive health, equipping participants with practical knowledge and skills to adopt healthier lifestyles and make informed choices. The program had a significant impact, offering immediate relief to affected community members while empowering them with long-term health and wellness strategies.

This collaborative effort underscores the commitment of Renel Ghana Foundation and the Ghana Nurses Association – UK to achieving Sustainable Development Goal 3 (Good Health and Well-being) through collective action and sustainable community empowerment.







OUTCOMES

1. Enhanced partnership between Renel Ghana Foundation and the Ghana Nurses Association - UK.

2. Delivered comprehensive health education to Lolonya community members.

3. Ensured the safety and well-being of Lolonya community members through the distribution of essential items such as drinking water and sanitary products.

4. Equipped community members of Lolonya with skills to make healthier life choices and adopt positive health behavious.

DIABETES ADVOCACY





Renel Ghana Foundation organized an educational session on diabetes in Ada Foah, Ada East District, successfully training 65 participants on essential knowledge, self-management skills, and healthier lifestyle adoption to improve quality of life. The program covered nutrition and meal planning, emphasizing balanced diets, portion control, glycaemic index awareness, and culturally appropriate foods, with practical guidance from public health nurses.

Participants also learned the importance of regular physical activity, including walking, light aerobics, and home-based exercises tailored to individual abilities, as well as proper medication management, insulin administration, and adherence to prescribed schedules. Hands-on glucose monitoring demonstrations taught participants to use glucometers, track trends in logbooks, and adjust habits accordingly, while sessions on complication prevention highlighted early signs of neuropathy and cardiovascular issues.

The program addressed social and emotional aspects of living with diabetes, including stress management, combating stigma, and fostering supportive networks, with caregivers receiving guidance to provide empathetic care. Local healthcare professionals and individuals successfully managing diabetes shared insights and experiences to inspire participants. The session also encouraged the formation of community support groups to sustain dialogue, share progress, and promote accountability in achieving health goals.

OUTCOMES

1. Enhanced awareness of Type 1 diabetes for Ada Foah community members.

2. Trained and equipped 65 participants with practical self-management such as how to use the insulin syringe at home, nutrition and meal planning, and glucose monitoring.

3. Trained five volunteers to support newly diagnosed Type 1 diabetes patients (T1D) in the Ada Foah Community Health Centre.

MENSTRUAL HYGIENE

In collaboration with the Global Quality Assurance and the Ghana Education Directorate–Adenta, we commemorated Menstrual Hygiene Day 2024 with an interactive and educational program for students.

The session focused on creating awareness about menstrual health, including proper use, handling, and disposal of menstrual products to ensure hygiene and prevent infections. Students were also engaged in discussions on breaking myths and taboos surrounding menstruation, empowering them to speak openly about menstrual health and support their peers.

As part of the initiative, over 500 sanitary products were distributed to participants, ensuring that students had access to essential menstrual supplies. The event not only provided practical resources but also equipped students with knowledge and confidence to manage their menstrual health safely and with dignity, fostering a culture of awareness and support within the school community.







OUTCOMES

1. Increased partnership opportunities between Renel Ghana Foundation and Global Quality Assurance Association.

2. Created awareness on menstrual hygiene among 200 school girls and 20 school boys at Adjiringanor Basic School.

3.Trained participants on proper menstrual hygiene practices.

4. Distributed 400 sanitary pads to 200 female students at Adjiringanor Basic School.





ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Launched the Agriempower women in 5 communities in the West Mamprusi Municipal.
2. Provided education and sanitary pads to over 1000 school girls across Ghana to help keep them in school.
3. Represented at the Beijing+30 Africa Regional Consultations in Addis Ababa, where we had the opportunity to add our voices to global conversations on gender equality, amplifying the realities of girls and young women in Ghana.
4. Received an award for volunteering from the volunteer cops Initiative for our community impact.
5. Acquired funding from the Ghana Nurses Association UK to support girls and young women in their educational journeys.
6. Built three different supportive Apps in collaboration with the University of Florida.
7. Conducted cleanup exercise in the Tema West Municipality with over 40 community members to promote clean environment free from diseases.

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