

PERSPECTIVES 2022





– Mahmi Dina, 29
Baker





– Imoro Haana, 18
Baker





– Baako Rubaaba, 29
Soapmaker



“ I am now able to provide for the care and education of my children myself and can also offer my 13 apprentices a perspective. ”

– Munira, 29
mother and owner of a weaving store



TIME TO TURN AROUND A DESTINY.

The lives of many women in Ghana always revolve around the same thing: They have to take care of their children not only emotionally, but also economically. Only a few have an education. That is why they regularly move to the cities to live on the streets and do poorly paid work. With the money they earn, they can barely feed their children - let alone finance an

education. High inflation - around 40 % in 2022 - has dramatically worsened the situation, especially for families.

BRAVEAURORA supports women in Ghana to get an education. This creates financial security for the women and their families and supports the local economy.

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AWARDS

BRAVEAURORA is the winner of the following prestigious awards in the field of development cooperation:

- Economy helps! Award in the field of corporate volunteering 2021 in cooperation with strobpbinder
- Architecture Masterprize 2020*
- Eduard-Ploier Award 2015
- Neptune Water Award 2015*
- Upper Austria Human Rights Award 2014
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Our mission

Together with BRAVEAURORA, the Ghanaian social welfare has been able to close **23 orphanages** and reintegrate and support **757 children** back into their extended families.

WHAT IS BRAVEAURORA AND WHERE IS IT BASED?

OUR MISSION/OUR GOAL

To take a pioneering role in the field of child protection in Northern Ghana and foster the reunification of children with their families.

CHILD PROTECTION IN GHANA - WHY?

- One in four children under the age of five has no birth certificate (1.2 million children in Ghana)
- One in five children doesn't live with their parents
- More than 3,500 children live in institutions
- Almost 90% of children are exposed to psychological aggression, one in five children experiences physical abuse
- Child labour affects one in five children
- One in five girls is married off as a child
- One in 50 girls is a victim of genital mutilation
- More than 13,000 images and videos of child sexual abuse are uploaded annually in Ghana
- Almost 3/4 of all children in Ghana are affected by poverty (Source: UNICEF 2021)

WHAT

We create better living conditions for children in Ghana, to enable them to grow up healthily, in their families and live in dignity.

HOW

Illegal orphanages are closed and children are reunited with their families ("reintegration"). We offer training and further education programs in our training center and support and promote school education.

WHY

Every child deserves to grow up loved and safe. Every child has the right to prospects and a future.

COUNTRIES

BRAVEAURORA is registered as an NGO (non-profit association) in Austria, Switzerland and Ghana.

WHAT PRINCIPLES DOES BRAVEAURORA WORK ON?

HELP FOR SELF-HELP

BRAVEAURORA doesn't create any dependencies with its projects! By constantly exchanging both knowledge and experience with the community, our local experts, staff and cooperation partners, it enables us to sustainably generate new sources of income for our partner communities. In order to successfully scale our projects, we start by actively involving the community - including children and teenagers.

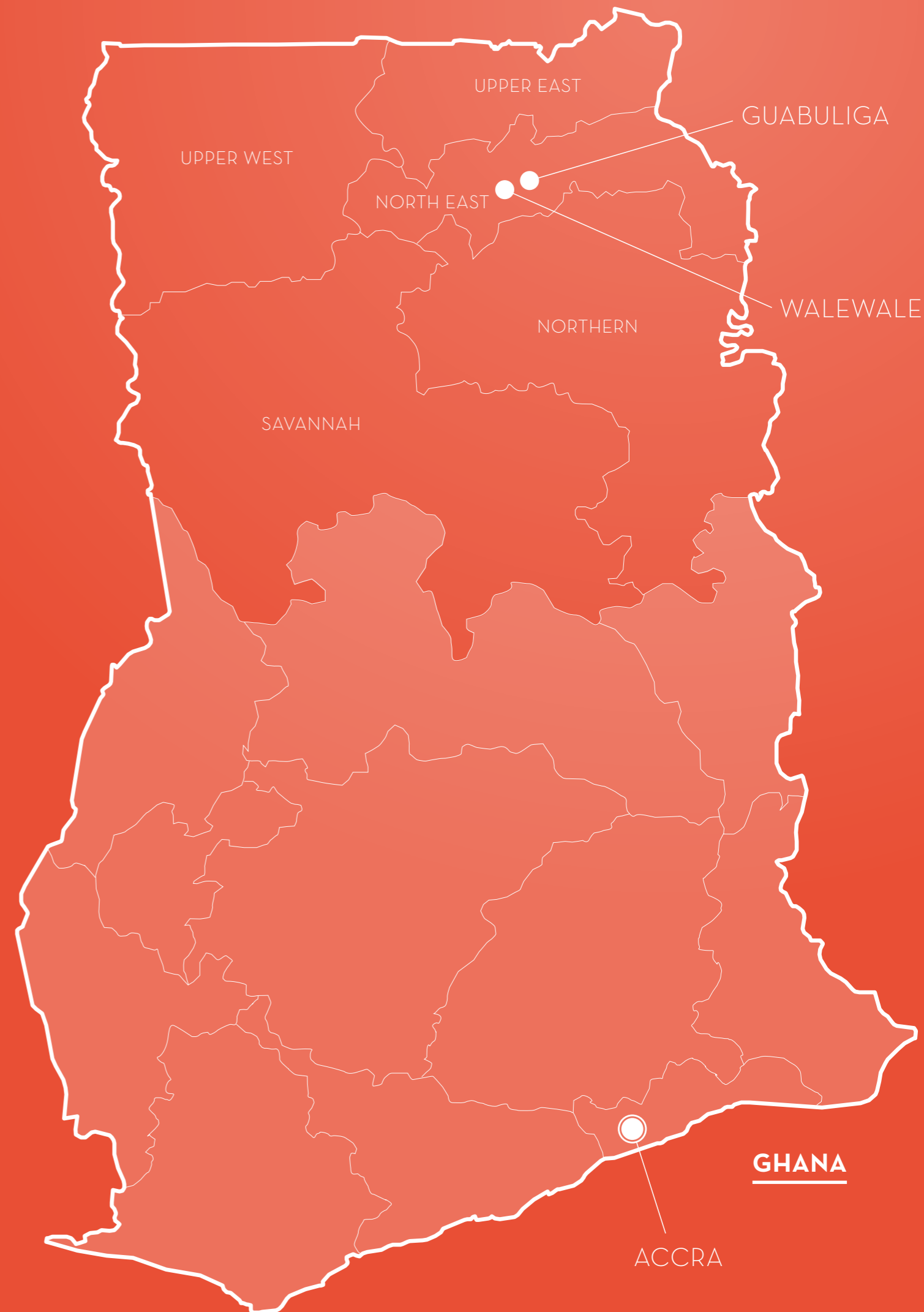
TRANSPARENCY

BRAVEAURORA guarantees that every project-related donation is used 1:1 for direct project work. Every year, two

independent auditors check our financial report following strict criteria. In 2013, BRAVEAURORA was awarded the Austrian Donation Seal of Quality, meaning that donations to BRAVEAURORA are tax deductible.

SUSTAINABILITY

BRAVEAURORA wants to empower the communities themselves to adopt new methods and to apply their knowledge, ensuring their independence. In the long run, our projects aim to achieve the best possible social impact for the community. We don't want to leave any traces and aim to gradually hand over projects to the community.





BRAVEAURORA HAS ALREADY ENABLED MORE THAN 1,100 PEOPLE TO OBTAIN AN EDUCATION AND THUS FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE.

MILESTONES 2022

One of our biggest milestones in 2022 were a very valuable partnership with the Vibrant Village Foundation which enabled us to onboard seven communities. These new communities will benefit from our core interventions in the areas of; child protection, livelihood promotion, and education.

In addition, the team made several gains in the area of child protection including reunifying children with their families, sending children back to school, preventing

early and forced marriages, among others. A key highlight in the year however was the partnership with the Vibrant Village Foundation to rollout our core programs in seven deprived communities within the West Mamprusi Municipality. Through the partnership, we will be able to provide holistic support to the children, women and families in the communities.

We have already rolled out our education, livelihood and child protection interventions in these communities!

There is also news from Austria! After more than 8 years of commitment to BRAVEAURORA, our dear Alea Pleiner is stepping down as a board member at the end of 2022. She continues to carry our common vision in her heart, regardless of her position. Thank you for everything, dear Alea!

Enjoy the reading!

LONG-TERM GOALS

1
Abolition of illegal orphanages in Ghana and raising awareness about “sustainable volunteerism”

2
Developing solutions and finding ways out of hunger, poverty, education traps and environmental challenges, together with the local community and local partners

3
Pro-active involvement of women and girls in projects

4
Handing over projects to the community

5
Transferring successful projects to other villages in Northern Ghana

6
Contributing to achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), especially the following 14 of the 17 SDGs:



COOPERATION PARTNERS



The BRAVEAURORA team

AUSTRIA



Sarah Deckenbacher, MA



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Alea Pleiner, MSc
(until 31 December 2022)



Susanne Gahleitner, MA



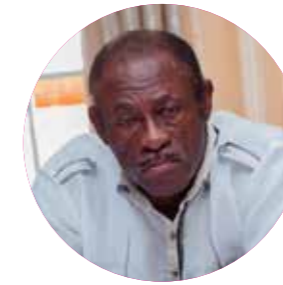
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GHANA



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Everyday Heroine)



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aka „Malam“
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Our ADVISORY BOARD

advisory
honorary
inspirational

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Reintegration and fight against illegal orphanages

In 2022, our team was able to reach **2,125 people** in **24 communities** (**669 men and 1,456 women**) on the risks of growing up in an orphanage.

FIGHT AGAINST ILLEGAL ORPHANAGES

In Ghana, thousands of children live in orphanages. From 1996 to 2006, the number of orphanages increased from 23 to 148. But why are so many children in Ghana orphaned? The answer is sad: poverty, discrimination, and benefit tourism. To satisfy the need of voluntourists, social orphans are created across orphanages. Two out of three children in Ghana, who live in an orphanage, are not orphans.

Nevertheless, the best place for children to grow up is their own family, which gives them love and security.

BRAVEAURORA is therefore working with the Department of Social Welfare and other partners in Ghana to educate people about the dangers of orphanage-based care.

We do this through empowering individuals, families, communities, and child protection actors. Our empowerment efforts are to support proper gatekeeping and ensure that children enjoy love and protection in families.



REINTEGRATION OF 22 CHILDREN INTO THEIR FAMILIES

Statistics show that 121 orphanages with more than 3,540 children are operating in Ghana. In the northern regions of Ghana, where BRAVEAURORA works, there are at least 17 orphanages with around 500 children. In 2022, the Department of Social Welfare and BRAVEAURORA were able to reunite 22 children from five orphanages in the Northern Region, Upper West Region, and Upper East Region of Ghana with their families. BRAVEAURORA continues to support social welfare with the active monitoring (further support and control) of the children to ensure that they are doing well in their families.

TRAINING OF CHILDCARE PROFESSIONALS

on foster care

As the Civil Society Organisation representative on the North East Regional Foster Care Placement Committee, BRAVEAURORA partnered with the Regional office of the Department of Social Welfare to train staff and partners on foster care. The two-day training brought together social welfare and community development officers from the 6 districts of the region, Domestic Violence and Victim Support Unit officers, psychologists, and social workers. Gabriel, a social worker with a residential home for children, expressed that **„the training is an eye opener for me. It is detailed and down to earth. It gives me the hope that foster care is a viable alternative to residential care. I am happy Brave Aurora made this possible.“**

Supporting

MUNICIPAL CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEES

BRAVEAURORA has supported the establishment of an official child protection committee for the welfare of children in the West Mamprusi Municipality.

This committee consists of officers from the Police, Social Welfare, Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice (CHRAJ), National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE), Ghana Health Service (GHS), Ghana Educational Service (GES), traditional and religious leaders, youth groups and other NGOs. The aim of the committee is to stand up for the rights of children and to protect children from abuse and exploitation.



Young Ambassadors for Reintegration YAP-PROJECT

The YAP (Young Ambassadors Project = young ambassadors of reintegration) comes into play when children are successfully re-integrated into their families. Former “orphans” and their caregivers visit the northern regions, together with our social workers and officers of DSW, to discuss the reintegration into their family and the topic of “voluntourism”, educating the population about support opportunities. The care leavers are trained as ambassadors (multipliers = disseminators) and report from their own experience, how their time in an orphanage influenced them and what advantages they see in growing up in a family structure.

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WOMEN'S VOICE AND LEADERSHIP PROJECT

BRAVEAURORA is collaborating with PLAN International Ghana on the Women's Voice and Leadership Project. Funded by Global Affairs Canada, this six-month project aims to improve the situation of girls in rural areas. Girls and young women should be empowered to deal with their bodies, their menstruation, and their physical and mental health in a self-determined manner. Six girls' clubs have been formed in six communities in the West Mamprusi and Mamprugu Moagduri districts.



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Before YAP, I wasn't able to speak in front of many people, but YAP has given me confidence and boldness. Through YAP, I have realised the respect and self-worth associated with family-based care. I got to know my identity; my family, culture and traditions. I am happy and grateful.

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– David Imoro, Careleaver, Guabuliga



Moreover, there were seven radio programs in the North East region on child protection and illegal orphanages, reaching approximately 26,000 people.

As a reward for their great work, the YAP team was given a trip to Zipline Drone Delivery Center in Walewale. Here, they were taken through how essential drugs and medical necessities are quickly delivered to the remotest parts of Ghana.



PARENTS' CLASS AND KIDS' ENGAGEMENT

In 2022, a total of 431 children and 290 parents in our partner communities were reached with "parents class" and "kids engagements". The meetings discussed topics such as child development, the role of the family in healthy development, issues children face, gender roles, support systems, healthy eating and much more.



PSYCHOSOCIAL COUNSELLING FOR 78 PEOPLE

The Social Advisory and Counselling Service is aimed at people who find themselves in extremely challenging circumstances. The most common issues dealt with by the team are early school dropouts, domestic violence, teenage pregnancy, and marriage breakdowns. In 2022, 78 individuals and families were supported in psychosocial counselling.

308 students were also reached through awareness creation efforts on Counselling.



Giving 140 Young Women a Voice!

GIRLS' EMPOWERMENT CLUBS IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES

In addition to the Women's Voice and Leadership Project, BRAVE-AURORA was able to give a voice to 140 other young women between the ages of 14 and 25. Topics in the Girls Club meetings were: menstrual hygiene, professional advice, rights and obligations, youth protection guidelines, gender roles, and much more.

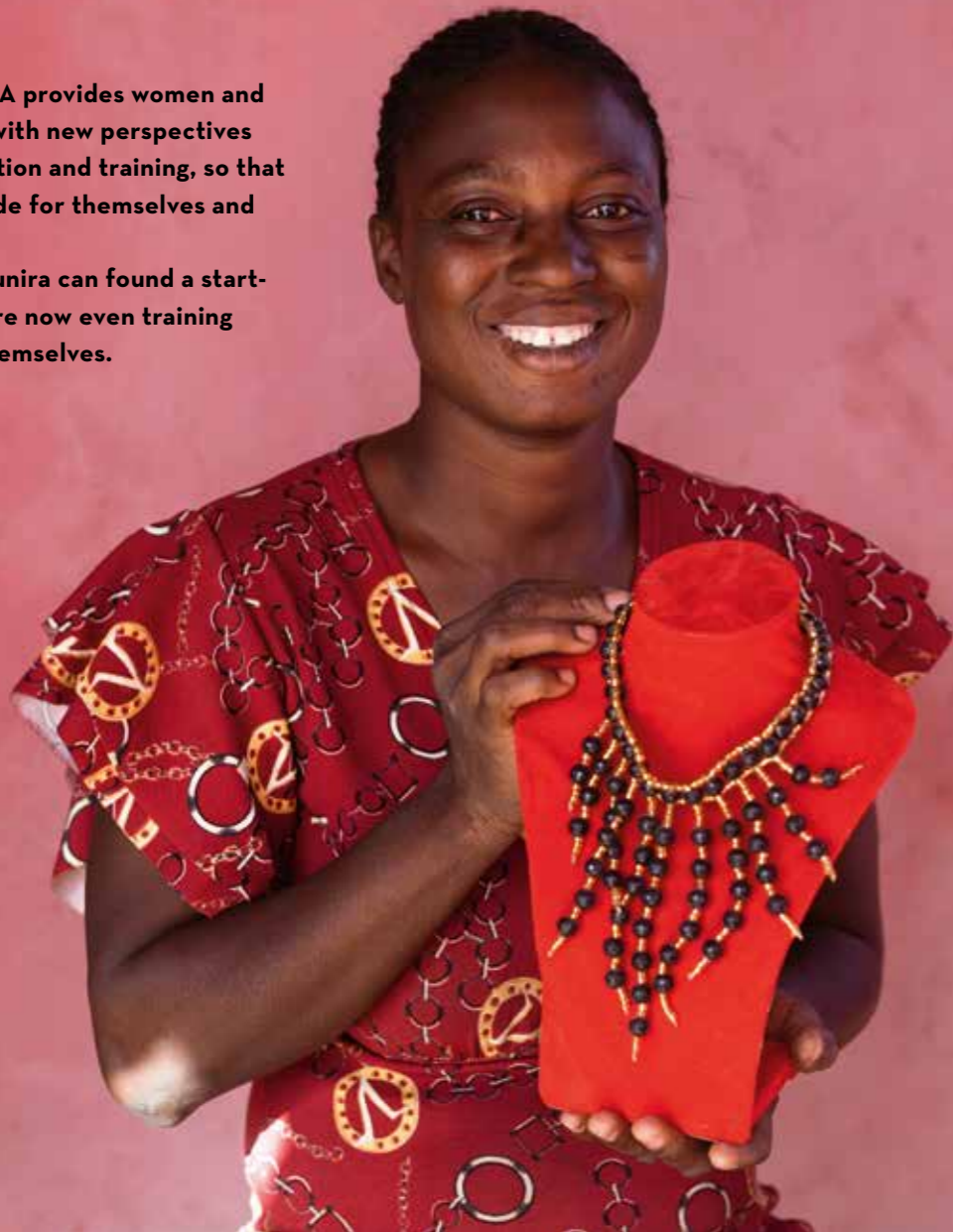


Livelihood Promotion Program

Since founding the training center, a total of **1,141 people**, including **905 women**, were able to complete a training successfully!

BRAVEAURORA provides women and their families with new perspectives through education and training, so that they can provide for themselves and their families.

Women like Munira can found a start-up and many are now even training apprentices themselves.



One of these young women without young women was Munira.

Munira is 29, lives in Ghana and has 3 children. However, the fact that she can feed her children could not be taken for granted for a long time. For many years, Munira was a Kayaye. This is the name given to mothers who regularly have to leave their children alone to go to cities to sell drinking water, or carry loads on their head, for example. A job that barely feeds the family. And it certainly doesn't pay enough to finance their own education.

The "Kayaye" are often exploited, experience physical violence, suffer from health problems or end up in prostitution.

Together, we were able to provide training to more than 1,100 people like Munira - and that's just the beginning. Now, the trainings are also mobile and could be expanded to seven more communities in 2022.



State certification
of the training -
**100%
SUCCESS
RATE SO
FAR!**

BRAVEAURORA works with the NVTI, the state institute for job training, to be able to give graduates official certificates for their training. Graduates can prove their knowledge in proficiency tests, which,

after successfully passing the test, enables them to work independently or as an employee. We are very proud that all 15 plumbing trainees passed the exams in 2022.

Since the beginning of the year 2022, prices of goods and services in Ghana, just as in other parts of the world, have been on the rise due to inflationary pressures. The manifestation of inflationary pressures, coupled with fuel price increment, depreciation of the Ghana Cedi, and exchange rate challenges have resulted in the reduction in house incomes, high cost of living, and deteriorated standard of living, hence economic hardship. For example, a loaf of bread, which was sold for GHS 6 at the beginning of the year is now sold for GHS 12 and GHS 15 (an increase of about 100 and 150 percent. The majority of the rural population lives from agriculture. The yields depend on the weather and so do the food rations

for the family. Due to global climatic changes, the dry season is getting longer and longer, and with it the months in which people are unable to earn any income. Around 3.4 million people in Ghana still live in acute poverty. Because they have to support their parents (e.g. in the fields), many students are forced to drop out of school after middle school due to poverty. The opportunities for school dropouts to learn new skills in job training are few. For these reasons, the BRAVEAURORA training centre was founded - people are empowered here to find their own way out of poverty and to be able to take care of themselves and their families in the long term.

Business Mentoring for

150 NEW ENTREPRENEURS

In 2022, we monitored 150 entrepreneurs to evaluate how well they are doing in self-employment and where they are currently encountering difficulties in the world of work.



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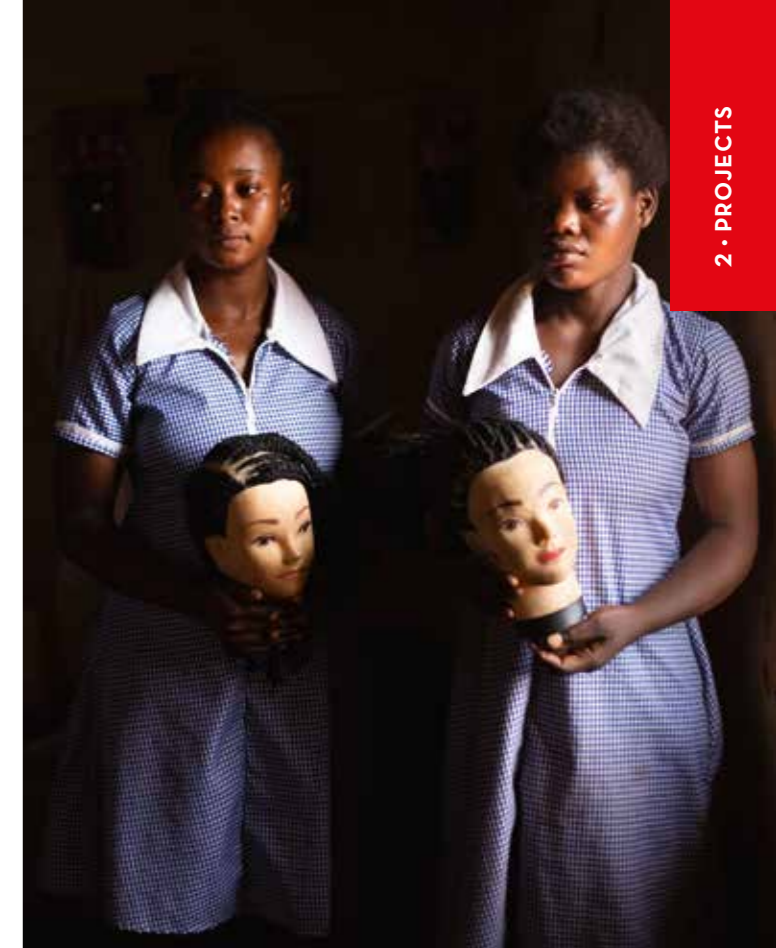
2022 was the year that was the most difficult of all the years that I have experienced in my life. It was the year that the capital of entrepreneurs was wiped out and entrepreneurs pushed out of business. The year that prices of goods and services increased on daily basis.

– Abubakari Alhassan,
Deputy Director and Livelihood Promotion Programme Coordinator

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70 STARTER PACKS DISTRIBUTED

For the second time running, successful graduates received starter packages with materials and information needed to start their businesses. Each starter package has been tailored to the needs of the recipient. On the one hand, seminars and courses were offered on topics such as business management skills in the areas of money management, financial literacy, managing cooperatives, branding as well as marketing their products. The start-up kits included different kinds of beads, needles, sandals, pliers, fishing lines for beads makers. Chemicals for making bar and liquid soaps, cutting boards for bar soap, and hydrometers among others. This followed their completion of a one to six-month-long training from craft persons in trades of their choice such as beads, soap, soya utilization, shoemaking, and smock tailoring. A ceremony was held in Guabuliga to distribute the start-up kits to the beneficiaries comprising ten in shoemaking, 20 smock tailors, 20 in beads design, 10 in soya utilisation and 10 in soap making to begin their income-generating activities.



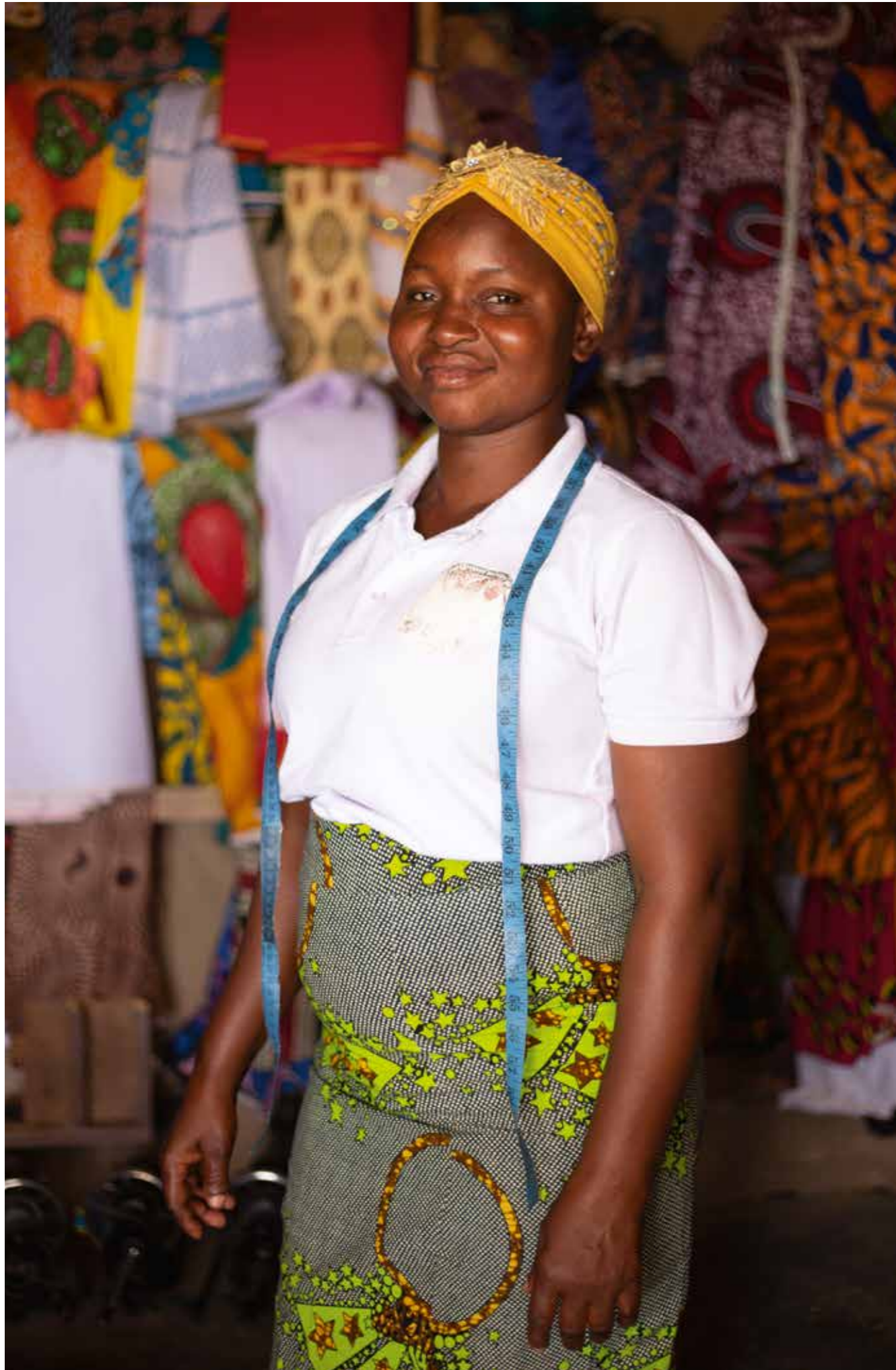
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Successful

IMPLEMENTATION OF SAVING-ASSOCIATIONS

We have established a Village Savings and Loan Association (VSLA) in six communities. Each group consists of 15-30 members who save together and thereby finance small loans by themselves. The term is approximately one year, after which the accumulated savings and profits from the loans are divided proportionately among the members. Although men are welcome to participate, all of our associations are currently female-only - a total of 270 women participated in these associations.





THE SUCCESS STORY OF AMINA ISSIFU

Amina is 40 years old and a native of Guabuliga. After junior high school, she could not continue to senior high school because both her parents passed away that same year and the extended family could not pay for her senior high school education.

Amina became physically challenged after falling sick for two years which further put her into poverty. Luck smiled at her with the opportunity to learn dressmaking at the TC in 2014. She graduated successfully from the TC after passing the National Vocational Training Institute (NVTI) proficiency examination.

Amina opened her fashion and design shop in Guabuliga where she sews dresses for people in and around the community of Guabuliga to make income for herself and her family. She uses income earned from her shop to buy food for her family and take care of the health and educational needs of the family. Her disability does not bar her from reaching her potential. From a very humble start, Amina currently has eleven apprentices learning under her. Four of them will graduate in December 2023. She had this to say to BA 'The dressmaking skills I learnt at the TC has made me who I am today. It has really changed and transformed my life for the better.

THE SUCCESS STORY OF KWAME GIFTY

She is a mother of seven children. She has three boys and four girls. All her children are enrolled in school. The elder one is at the tertiary level pursuing his education. She is married to Sulemana Salifu who is a peasant farmer in Guabuliga.

Before BA's intervention, she used to be a head porter. That is, she went to the South of the country to carry people's goods on her head for a token. A phenomenon popularly referred to in Ghana as 'kayaye'. She has stopped going to 'kayaye' ever since BRAVEAURORA trained her as a professional hairdresser.

It was a dream come true for her as she was interested in becoming a pro-

fessional hairdresser. After the training, she got the opportunity to open her own shop in Guabuliga, and ever since she has had 13 young women apprentices working in her shop, and out of these young women, she has successfully graduated three apprentices.

When she was asked about her opinion of the interventions, she had this to say, "With BRAVEAURORA livelihood intervention I can boast of paying my children's school fees. My firstborn is currently in his second year at the University for Development Studies, Tamale campus. I pay his fees with income from my hairdressing business. I am also able to take care of his siblings' education, health, and household needs. BRAVEAURORA Mpusiya pam"

3,500



School education as the key to a better future.

Every child should have the same opportunity for education and the development of their own potential. Education enables economic improvement, democratic co-determination and a self-determined life. BRAVEAURORA reaches a total of **3,500 students** in northern Ghana with several educational measures.

CONTINUING EDUCATION WORKSHOPS FOR 54 TEACHERS



A total of 54 teachers were trained in 2022 in Jolly Phonics and Basic ICT Tools. The training supported teachers in the active BRAVEAURORA schools in effectively adopting the play based methodology in teaching and learning. It also enhanced the skill of teachers in ICT.

EXTRA CLASSES FOR 540 STUDENTS

Tutoring was organized for 540 elementary and middle school students. The tutoring sessions are designed to support children with basic reading and numeracy.



SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 12 PARTICULARLY TALENTED STUDENTS

In 2022, 12 students received financial support to advance their senior high school and tertiary education.

Many thanks to our former project manager Severin Schwaiger, for supporting three of these students in senior high schools.

TEACHING MATERIAL DONATIONS TO TEACHERS

5 ⁴⁰ new curriculum textbooks together with assorted learning materials were distributed to partner schools. The program also supported the renovation of blackboards and the construction of a child-friendly pavilion. The support was organized in view of the poor and irregular government allocation of resources to schools.



BRAVEAURORA BECAME PART OF THE WORLDWIDE

ALLIANCE FOR CHILD PROTECTION IN HUMANITARIAN ACTION

In 2022, BRAVEAURORA joined the Alliance for the Protection of Children in Humanitarian Action.

This alliance is a global, cross-sectoral network of non-profit organisations, academic institutions, policy makers, donors and professionals. The Alliance’s vision is a world where children are protected from abuse, neglect, exploitation and violence.

BRAVEAURORA will also join the Family Strengthening Task Force within the Alliance to ensure better psychological well-being of children and develop standards that focus on effective and high-quality child protection. The knowledge gained in Ghana will be shared and discussed with other members of the alliance worldwide.



ACADEMIC AMBASSADORS PROJECT

To alleviate the shortage of trained teaching staff, selected volunteer teachers received a scholarship for teacher training from BRAVEAURORA. So far, 11 teachers have successfully completed their training due to this project.



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We are really blessed with all the support received from BRAVEAURORA. I am glad because I can take my students through practical ICT lessons unlike colleague teachers from nearby schools who do not even have a computer to teach

– Jalil, ICT Teacher, Guabuliga JHS

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VOLUNTEERING in Ghana & Austria

From 2009 to the end of 2022, **60 BRAVEAURORA** volunteer placements took place.

QUALITATIVE GHANA FOREIGN ASSIGNMENTS FOR VOLUNTEERS AND INTERNS IN 2022

In 2022, Sophia Kamleitner (since September 2022) and Laetitia Doczy (since November 2022) started their foreign assignment at BRAVEAURORA. As a certified health and nursing staff and as a trained social worker, the two support the team on-site with their work voluntarily and free of charge. Our special thanks go to them!



62 FOREIGN PLACEMENTS OF VOLUNTEERS AND INTERNS FOR BRAVEAURORA TOOK PLACE FROM 2009 TO THE END OF 2022!

BRAVEAURORA differentiates itself strictly from so-called „volunteer tourism“. Together with our cooperation partners, we strive to enable meaningful and sustainable volunteer work, as well as quality internship opportunities:



I am infinitely grateful that my path has led me here to the north of Ghana to BRAVEAURORA and that I have the opportunity to contribute with my knowledge and skills as a health and nursing person. With educational classes and workshops in schools and villages on topics such as hygiene, menstrual management, nutrition and style advice, the main aim is to empower women and children through knowledge and skills learned.

The best part of my time here, however, is that the learning is not one-sided at all. So, every day I get to spend here, I learn something new! From household tips to simple methods of examining pregnant women, to cultural aspects. And most importantly, I learn a lot about myself, my worldview, and my values.

Every day I meet new, incredible people who inspire me.
I will keep all the wonderful moments I get to experience here in my heart

– Sophia,
volunteer in Ghana



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VOLUNTEERS IN AUSTRIA

Taking care of the diverse tasks in Austria would be unimaginable without the commitment and active support of many helping hands and minds. THANK YOU at this point to all our dedicated volunteers for their valuable support! For 2022 we would especially like to thank:

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- Barbara Redner
- Christina Riegler
- Christine Heyduk
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- Gabriel Unterholzer
- Ingrid Weberbauer
- Laura Littringer
- Lina Drev
- Nicole Ametsreiter
- Quentin Wohlfeil
- Sarah Trummer



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Press and Public Relations

Thankstoourdonors,**70entrepreneurs** in the soap manufacturing, hair product and bakery sectors could be provided with a starter package in 2022.



EVENTS

- 12 March 2022: Fundraising concert of Call me Astronaut at the Salonschiff Fräulein Florentine.
- 28 June 2022: „Goldene Hahn Award Ceremony“: our creative agency stroblbinder was nominated for the poster series „Let's change perspectives 2021“.
- 22 July 2022: Meeting of BRAVEAURORA volunteers, thanks to WeltWegWeiser for supporting us with the ignition funding.
- 5 September 2022: „Collective Terroir - Wines with Character and Origin“ by Clemens Strobl - THANK YOU for the donation of over 3,000 EUR.
- 3 October 2022: „Development Policy Dialogue of the Federal State of Upper Austria“ - participation of Sarah Deckenbacher and Susanne Gahleitner
- 3 November 2022: „Internship Forum at the University of Applied Sciences Linz“ - Julia Obereder talks about internships in Ghana
- 2 December 2022: University presentation in Linz in an innovation seminar - Sarah Deckenbacher reports on the pioneering and building up of the association
- 16 December 2022: Drinking punch together with our volunteers in Vienna and Linz

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

- meinbezirk.at, 15.07.2022, Sweets from all over the world were on sale at the Weltladen stand, THANK YOU for the donation of 250 EUR
- tips.at, 27.01.2022, BRAVEAURORA shows a topsy-turvy world in Ghana in their new fundraising campaign
- tips.at, 18.01.2022, „Let's change perspectives“: Unusual fundraising campaign shows the topsy-turvy world in Ghana
- horizont.at, 17.01.2022, BRAVEAURORA shows 'topsy-turvy world' in Ghana

DIGITAL FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

THANK YOU to everyone who started and/or supported a digital fundraising campaign for BRAVEAURORA. We were able to collect donations worth 4,000 EUR for child protection in 2022.

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Finances

We were able to collect almost **150,000 Euros** in 2022 and thus provide sustainable help for self-help.

FINANCES 2022

The following figure shows the total income (source of funds) and expenditure (use of funds) of BRAVEAURORA in 2022, taking into account the two accounts in Austria and Switzerland, compared to the previous year.

SOURCE OF FUNDS AUT, CHE	2022 IN EUR	2021 IN EUR
I. Donations		
a) Non-earmarked donations Austria	€ 78.935,37	€ 66.730,22
Non-earmarked donations Switzerland	€ 1.009,00	€ 2.507,31
b) Earmarked donations	€ 2.318,85	€ 9.150,04
II. Membership fees	€ 1.350,00	€ 1.720,00
III. Revenues	€ 92,71	€ 2.060,66
IV. Subsidies and public grants	€ 5.900,00 [€ 35.900,00]	€ 52.000,00
V. Other revenue	–	–
a) Asset management	€ 236,51	€ 3,69
b) Other miscellaneous income, unless included in I. to IV.	€ 0,00	€ 0,00
	€ 89.842,44	€ 133.421,92
USE OF FUNDS AUT, CHE		
I. Benefits for statutory purposes	€ 147.774,51	€ 135.448,25
II. Fundraising	€ 5.274,99	€ 2.375,83
III. Administrative expenses	€ 9.701,82	€ 5.870,96
IV. Other expenses, unless included in I. to III.	€ 1.173,93	€ 751,79
	€ 163.925,25	€ 144.446,83

INCOME 2022

1% MEMBERSHIP FEES

78 members support our work regularly and have the right to vote at our general assembly.

3% EARMARKED DONATIONS

with earmarked donations, donors can determine the use of their donation. This is checked during the audit.

89% DONATIONS

Around 250 donors were there with around 80,000 Euros for children and families in Northern Ghana.

7% SUBSIDY PROVINCE OF UPPER AUSTRIA

EXPENSES 2022

3% FUNDRAISING

mail, donation processing, donation management, printed materials

6% ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

travel expenses, consulting & auditing, catering, web services, membership fees

1% OTHER EXPENSES

bank charges, expenses for volunteers and miscellaneous

THANK YOU!

Representative for many supporters, we would like to quote some reasons for supporting BRAVEAURORA.



As co-founder of BRAVEAURORA, I can confirm with deep conviction that BRAVEAURORA has remained true to its principles of “helping people to help themselves”, “transparency”, and “sustainability” since its foundation in 2009. I am deeply thankful that former young orphan girls are studying today through the help of BRAVEAURORA and are active as ambassadors for reintegration together with BRAVEAURORA and therefore are becoming self-confident and independent young women.

— Dr.ⁱⁿ Christin ter Braak-Forstinger, LL.M, co-founder & Advisory Board Member



For three years now, I can see that my money donated for BRAVEAURORA arrives directly where it is needed. Additionally, I can make a true impact on children in the North of Ghana with my voluntary work. I am proud that the tutoring lessons, co-organized by me, are helping children after the Covid-19 pandemic to catch up on the missed school lessons. Furthermore, I am proud that my newsletter is keeping BRAVEAURORA supporters up to date and that the annual report, co-coordinated by me, is hopefully attracting more donators.

— Christina Riegler, BRAVEAURORA volunteer since 2020

BECOME A MEMBER!

Around one hundred members support the work of BRAVEAURORA every year through their membership fees. Become a member too! **With an annual contribution of 40,- Euro (or 20,- Euro for students, apprentices, pupils, persons with low income)** you can help to shape sustainable development cooperation in the North of Ghana! We look forward to a personal meeting and an exchange!



In Ghana, as well as in Austria, only social professionals are active at BRAVEAURORA. Anyone who gets to know the team quickly notices how much heart is involved. I consider it a great privilege to be able to dive into projects and to help together with the BRAVES.

— Mag.^a Sonja Jöchtl, Advisory Board Member



I am supporting BRAVEAURORA because competent women need reflection partners who support them with critical questions in order for them to be able to develop BRAVEAURORA further.

— Mag.^a Christine A. Heyduk, Supervisor & Time Giver



I have been able to experience the incredible idealism and heartfelt energy of the founders of BRAVEAURORA from the beginning on and immediately felt deeply connected. It is incredible what they have achieved, built up, and what impact they made as well as which sustainable big changes were made through their never tiring and countless small moves in the last years.

— Elisabeth Gangl, one of the first BRAVEAURORA members since 2009

SMALL MOVES – BIG CHANGE. THANK YOU! NPUSIA!

This year we may thank 248 donators, more than 16 volunteers and interns, as well as countless supporters. The majority of the income of BRAVEAURORA has been gathered from smaller and bigger donations from private donators from Austria and Switzerland. According to the motto of BRAVEAURORA “small moves – big changes” every donation counts and goes 1:1 into our projects.



I support the association BRAVEAURORA because its engagement provides many children and young people learning-opportunities, and therefore the world gets a little bit better.

— Univ. Prof. Mag. Dr. René Andeßner, Advisory Board Member



I am supporting BRAVEAURORA because it is THE NGO that is admirably dynamic, honest, intelligent, and integrative with joy doing the best work. The people are always in the center, and the best way is always searched for - and found.

— Assoc. Prof. Mag.^a Baerbel Mueller, Advisory Board Member



Especially in times of global crises, it is important not to forget about the weakest continent, which has been exploited for decades. Therefore, I have been supporting the valuable work of BRAVEAURORA for years.

— Clemens Strobl, long-time supporter



Illegal orphanages, children growing up without their families, and a lack of education. It is an upside-down world. One that we can change. For these reasons, we are happy to support BRAVEAURORA for many years now.

— Lukas Binder, managing director stroblbinder

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BRAVEAURORA was supported in 2022 by the following sponsors and large donors (amounts from 2,000 EUR upwards):



Otto Felix Weyland



Martha Weyland



Familie Leitner

HOW MUCH IS LEFT OVER FROM A DONATION?

BRAVEAURORA GUARANTEES: All donations are invested 1:1 (without deduction) in the project and the individual programmes on site. Donations are only used for administrative expenses if they are explicitly declared as such. Administrative costs are kept as low as possible. BRAVEAURORA fully discloses its finances (biennial general meeting and annual activity report).

DONATE NOW!

Continue to support us and help us to implement our child protection projects in a goal-oriented way and to achieve a social impact for the people in Northern Ghana.

CHANGE PERSPECTIVES, DONATE FOR THE FUTURE:

- 50 EUR for school fees & tutoring for one child for 1 year.
- 115 EUR for a workshop to empower girls & young women.
- 250 EUR to fund vocational training & business start-up support for a parent. Every donation counts!

Donation account Austria
Account name: Verein BRAVEAURORA
IBAN: AT873445500004302063
BIC: RZ00AT2L455
Raiffeisenbank Region Schärading eGen
A-4780 Schärading am Inn

Donation account Switzerland
Account name: BRAVEAURORA
IBAN: CH1304835174254971000
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DONATIONS TO BRAVEAURORA ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE IN AUSTRIA!

In order to automatically report your donation to the tax office, we need your first and last name as well as your date of birth. It is particularly important that the spelling of the name matches that on the registration form. We are happy to issue donation receipts for donors from Germany and Switzerland as well as for corporate donations!



THE ENTIRE BRAVEAURORA-TEAM THANKS YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS FOR YOUR TIRELESS EFFORTS, DEAR ALEA!

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The last eight years have been so inspiring for me: I got to watch the team grow and saw how we invested our whole heart and our time to the people on site. I am fascinated again and again by the impact we make with our projects. I carry our vision and our mission in my heart, regardless of my position, and will not get tired of carrying them out into the world.

Let's continue to change perspectives - TOGETHER!"

– Alea Pleiner,
management board member 2018-2022

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WITH SINCERE GRATITUDE, RESPECT AND TRUST!

THE BRAVEAURORA BOARD

Sarah Deckenbacher, Julia Obereder,
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