

Review

In 2018, thanks to your financial support for the following projects in Africa, we were able to make an important contribution from Switzerland to the self-reliance of village communities:

PONPONYA, Ghana



Eastern Region
6'080 Bewohner/Innen
Phase 4

AGYAPOMA, Ghana



Region East Akim
Municipal
3'303 Bewohner/Innen
Phase 4

CHOKWE, Mozambique



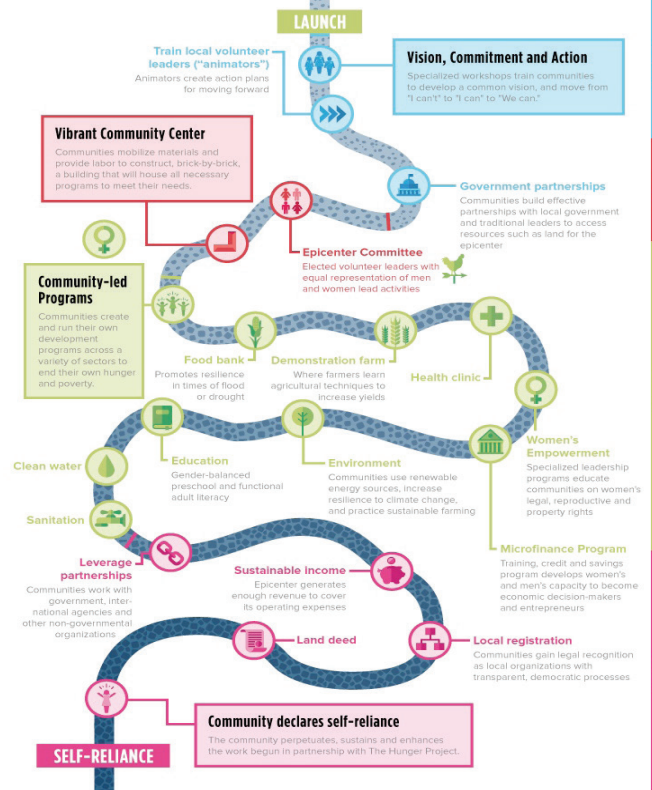
Macarretane
Administrative Post
16'366 Bewohner/Innen
Phase 4

JALDU, Äthiopien



Oromia Regional State
19'301 Bewohner/Innen
Phase 4

- More than two thirds for the last step to Self-Reliance in the Epicenter Ponponya in Ghana with a budget of CHF 111'284 have already been raised (population: 6080 inhabitants). The project launch of the activities is expected to take place in the 2nd quarter of 2019.
- For the last step to Self-Reliance in the Epicenter Agyapoma in Ghana we have collected the CHF 154'931 required in the budget (population: 3303 inhabitants). The project will start in January 2019.
- The Epicenter Chokwe in Mozambique with 16'366 inhabitants was supported with a contribution of CHF 120'612 in the final phase. At present, the «outcome evaluation» is taking place, during which it will turn out whether the epicenter has reached self-reliance.
- We supported the last step to Self-Reliance in the Epicenter Jaldu in Ethiopia with CHF 91'069 (population: 19'301 inhabitants). Currently, the outcome evaluation is taking place, which will show whether the epicenter has achieved self-reliance.



So far, a total of 27 of the 122 Epicenters created by the Hunger Project with 470'209 inhabitants in 507 villages have achieved self-reliance. This means that they have fulfilled 59 criteria which are essential for the independent continuation without the participation of the Hunger Project.

This development is an outstanding achievement of the local people and shows the positive effect of our sustainable approach. We mobilize and empower women and men to act independently and enable them to shape and improve their own living conditions. The basic attitude of people, which at the beginning is characterized by dependence, resignation and discrimination against women, is being changed. A new attitude is created based on responsibility, independence and gender equality.

Partner Story: Louise from Benin helps to realize dreams

Louise was not allowed to have a say in decisions at home or in the community. With the help of the Hunger Project program she learned to create her vision and today, she runs the microcredit bank in her community.

«With my six children and my husband, I live in a village in Benin. My husband cultivates our land and grows corn.»

In the past, Louise was not allowed to participate in decision-making at home or in the community just because she was a woman. In her village, traditional practices say that Louise has no voice.

When she participated at the Hunger Project's «Vision, Commitment and Action-Workshop», Louise un-



derstood her vision for the future of her village and that she could be the one to put the vision into action.

Louise says: «In the past my voice was not heard and now I am part of the village council. To support the microfinance bank, I bring the women together and impart knowledge about reading, writing, nutrition and health from the program.» Louise gives advice about

the importance of family planning, how women with fewer children can focus their time and attention on strengthening activities such as entrepreneurship and education. She thinks that the women in her village now feel empowered to take courageous actions themselves. «I myself have expanded from corn sales to the opening of a small shop with personal care products and clothes.»

Thank you for your commitment and dedication to ending chronic, persistent hunger by 2030!