

# HOPE FOR CHILDREN, POWER FOR THE YOUTH GHANA (HOCPY GHANA)

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## **ANNUAL REPORT 2025**

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## **1. Chairman's Message**

The year 2025 represented a defining period in HOCPY Ghana's institutional growth and programmatic impact. Despite limited financial resources, the organisation demonstrated resilience, strategic clarity, and commitment to child protection and youth empowerment. Through school-based interventions, media advocacy, emergency support, and nutrition education, HOCPY Ghana strengthened community systems and improved outcomes for vulnerable children.

I commend the Executive Director, staff, volunteers, and partners for their dedication. Our work continues to affirm that when communities are engaged and young people are empowered, sustainable transformation follows.

Signed,

Madam Hamdiya Yakubu

Board Chairman

## **2. Executive Director's Message**

In 2025, HOCPY Ghana deepened its programmatic focus on addressing drug abuse among adolescent girls, strengthening nutrition awareness, and responding to child vulnerability in conflict-affected communities.

Our She Against Drugs initiative reached **1,323** girls across Vittin SHS and Buipe SHS. Through structured seminars and peer engagement models, we provided practical knowledge and built confidence among adolescent girls.

Our radio campaigns amplified prevention messaging to **5,423** individuals, ensuring community-level awareness. Additionally, the Green Meals for Change initiative reached **116** children across **17** communities through school gardening and nutrition education.

Though our total income stood at **GHS 15,423**, prudent financial management enabled us to deliver impactful programmes. We remain committed to scaling our interventions in 2026.

Signed,

Mrs Francisca Anobila

Executive Director

### **3. Organisational Profile**

Hope for Children, Power for the Youth Ghana (HOCPY Ghana) is a community-driven non-profit organisation dedicated to safeguarding vulnerable children and empowering young people in Northern and Savannah Regions of Ghana.

#### **Vision**

A society where every child is protected and every young person is empowered to reach their full potential.

#### **Mission**

To safeguard vulnerable children and empower young people through community-led protection systems, education support, awareness creation, and strategic development initiatives.

#### **Core Values**

- Child-Centeredness
- Integrity & Accountability
- Community Participation
- Inclusion & Equity
- Transparency

## 5. Strategic Context 2025

Northern Ghana continues to face intersecting challenges including youth unemployment, drug abuse, malnutrition, and community instability due to periodic conflicts. Adolescent girls remain particularly vulnerable to substance abuse, exploitation, and school dropout.

In response, HOCPY Ghana aligned its 2025 interventions around prevention, protection, and empowerment models that integrate schools, families, and local institutions.

## 1. SHE AGAINST DRUGS – SCHOOL-BASED INTERVENTIONS

### Background

Increasing cases of drug abuse among adolescent girls in Northern Ghana motivated HOCPY Ghana to intensify preventive education in Senior High Schools.

### Objective

To increase awareness of the health, social and psychological consequences of drug abuse among adolescent girls and build peer resistance skills.

### Schools Reached

- Vittin Senior High School
- Buipe Senior High School

### Activities Conducted

- Delivered structured seminars on drug types and their effects.
- Focused on female reproductive health implications.
- Facilitated peer discussions and interactive Q&A sessions.
- Encouraged student pledges against drug abuse.

### Results Achieved

Total girls empowered: 1,323

Participants demonstrated improved understanding of substance abuse risks and commitment to peer advocacy within their schools.



Pictures of She Against Drugs seminar at Vittin Senior High School

## 2. RADIO CAMPAIGN ON DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION

### Purpose

To extend drug prevention messaging beyond schools and reach parents, guardians, and youth through local radio platforms.

### Key Activities

- Hosted radio discussions on adolescent drug abuse.
- Engaged health professionals and community leaders.
- Broadcast prevention messages in local languages.
- Facilitated listener call-ins and live interaction.

### Reach & Impact

Individuals reached: 5,423

The campaign strengthened community dialogue on drug prevention and increased parental awareness.



HOCYPY Staff at Ridge FM discussing drug use and abuse

## 3. EMERGENCY RESPONSE – GBINIYIRI CONFLICT SUPPORT

### Context

A tribal conflict in Gbiniyiri (Sawla-Tuna-Kalba District, Savannah Region) displaced families and disrupted children's access to education and essential services.

## HOCPY Response

- Organised fundraising activities to support affected children.
- Provided educational materials and relief support.
- Engaged community leaders on child protection concerns.

This intervention reduced vulnerability and supported affected children's return to normalcy.



Pictures of joint NADMO and HOCPY Ghana staff distributing food to displaced children at Gbiniyiri

## 4. GREEN MEALS FOR CHANGE – CHILD NUTRITION INITIATIVE

### Project Area

Central Gonja District, Savannah Region

### Target Schools

- Sakpagla Basic School
- Zanzugu Yipala Basic School

### Objectives

To promote healthy eating habits and increase vegetable consumption among school children.

### Key Activities

- Educated children, parents, and teachers on green meals.
- Promoted leafy vegetable consumption (cabbage, ayoyo, alefu).
- Established school gardens in two basic schools.
- Provided practical demonstration on vegetable cultivation.

### Beneficiaries

Children directly reached: 116

Communities reached: 17

The initiative improved awareness of balanced diets and strengthened sustainability through practical school gardening.

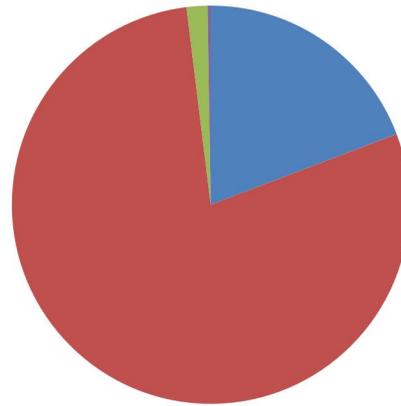


Pictures of green meals gardens at Zanzugu Yipala

## 6. Programme Overview – 2025 Results

- Girls empowered through seminars: **1,323**
- Individuals reached via radio: **5,423**
- Children in nutrition project: **116**
- Communities reached: **17**
- Partners engaged: **12**
- Active flagship project: **1**

### Our programs overview in chart



- Girls empowered through seminars
- Individuals reached via radio
- Children in nutrition project
- Communities reached

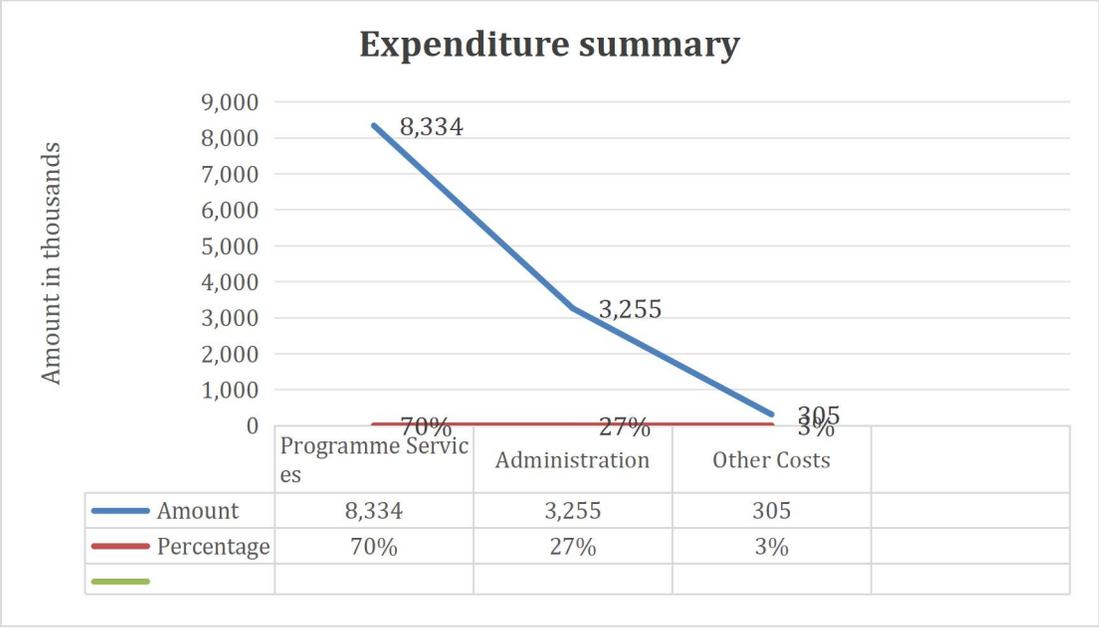
## 15. Financial Report – 2025

### Income Summary

- Total Income: **GHS 15,423**
- Grant Received: **USD 1,000**
- Fundraising: **GHS 2,342**
- Other Sources: **GHS 3,678**

### Expenditure Summary

- Total Expenditure: **GHS 11,894**
- Programme Services: **GHS 8,334 (70%)**
- Administration: **GHS 3,255 (27%)**
- Other Costs: **GHS 305 (3%)**



The organisation maintained strong fiscal discipline. Approximately **70%** of total expenditure was allocated directly to programme implementation, reflecting a strong commitment to service delivery.

## 17. Testimonials & Impact Voices

21. “Thanks to HOCPY Ghana, I now know the effects of drugs on girls especially we those who are yet to give birth.” — Iddrisu Ayisha
22. “I am now more empowered to change my friends who are into drugs.” — Abdul Rahaman Rahinatu
23. “I didn’t know contraceptives are also drugs and can be abused, but during HOCPY’s seminar I got to know.” — Abiba Karim
24. “Being part of HOCPY Ghana’s She Against Drugs campaign movie production has uplifted my spirit, boosted my confidence and opened new opportunities.” — Ruhaima Zakaria

## 19. Strategic Priorities for 2026

- Expand She Against Drugs seminars to 5 additional SHSs.
- Establish 3 additional school gardens.
- Strengthen Monitoring & Evaluation systems.
- Increase institutional fundraising capacity.
- Develop child protection community watch models.

HOCPY Ghana remains committed to strengthening community resilience, protecting vulnerable children, and empowering youth as agents of positive change.