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## Salesians of Don Bosco **West Africa South** St. Joseph Province (AOS).

#### Dear Friends...

The congregation was founded by St. John Bosco in the nineteenth century, currently it is present in more than 132 different countries worldwide. Currently there are over 193 Salesians (Priests and Brothers) working in a total of 20 communities forming the newly constituted province (AOS) of FIVE (5) countries.

As part of the restructuring of the Salesian Congregation Worldwide, beginning this year (2022) a new constituted province's with new appointment has formed a newly born province called West Africa South Province (AOS) comprising GHANA, IVORY COAST, LIBERIA, TOGO and SIERRA LEONE.

The primary and common objective of our Child Protection and Safeguarding Centre's is to rescue and rehabilitate:

- 1. Vulnerable abandoned children subject to, or at high risk of forced labour.
- 2. Trafficked girls and boys to transform their lives by offering them the possibility of a stable and secure home, a family, love and affection, food, education, health care and socialization. The process of rehabilitation and development is based on the needs of the individual.





Currently all the SIX (6) Child Protection and Safeguarding Centre's within Ghana, Ivory Coast, Sierra Leone and Togo are all functioning with rescued children undergoing a maximum of 12-month rehabilitation taken them through several orientation; focused on psycho-social support, counselling for trauma healing, medical care, basic classroom lessons (providing basic and primary education) and recreational activities for socialization

The Centre's also provide for older girls skills training, including intensive training in life skills. Families of all the rescued children and young adults-girls will be traced during the rehabilitation period; the aim is, where possible, to fully reintegrate them with their families or foster parents.







# About us

# Don Bosco Child Protection And Youth Empowerment Projects (Ghana)

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## AT ST DOMINIC SAVIO YOUTH CENTRE, TEMA NEWTOWN

Is an Educational and Rehabilitation Centre established in 2003 by the Salesians of Don Bosco AFW Province to provide street, less privileged children and youngsters of Tema Newtown a place to learn, a home and a recreational Centre where they will be prepared(Alphabetization) for enrollment into the mainstream of education.



The Centre is following the curriculum activities and the timetable of the Ghana education service. Literacy lessons start from 8 AM, at 10 AM there is a 30-minute break after which lessons resume till 12:30 PM.





In the afternoon (12:30), there is lunch for every child including the staff. The cook prepares a hot meal according to what is on the menu for that day after which they go back to class to prepare for their homework.





During each term, the Centre joins the Catholic Church to celebrate feast days especially, Saint Don Bosco, Saint Dominic Savio and Saint Peter and Paul feast days. These days, lunch is accompanied by soft drinks.













Attheendofeachterm, the Centremakes it a point to have end-of-term meetings with the guardians of the beneficiaries at the Centre. Monitoring and family visits, family support engaging and encouraging them to join hands and collaborate for the re-integration and future placements and enrollment into the mean-stream of education.

#### **EXCURSION**

As part of the rehabilitation process and with the help of our benefactors, Don Bosco Youth Network and Don Bosco Project, we go on an excursion to other beautiful places in Ghana. Sajuna Beach Resort, Adomi bridge, Akosombo continental hotel, Ada crocodile island, Estuary and Treasure island. We go on an excursion twice in the academic year. Last year's outing was awesome.



















In the afternoon every day, the Centre is open to other children in Tema New Town to come and have recreational activities (Oratory) together with the children at the Centre but due to the pandemic, the oratory is closed for now.









#### REINTEGRATION OF CHILDREN IN THE CENTRE INTO FORMAL SCHOOL

Educational support/sponsorship/scholarship for enrollment into the mainstream of education/formal school for very poor families who could not afford to pay for school fees and learning materials.









## AT DON BOSCO CHILD PROTECTION CENTRE, ASHAIMAN

#### Psychological Support for Children at the Don Bosco Child Protection Centre (DBCPC), Ashaiman.

The home project is a network for the reception and education of vulnerable minors which was funded by CAI, an Italian institution and coordinated by AiBi in collaboration with International Voluntary Service (VIS), and Don Bosco Child Protection Centre (DBCPC), Ashaiman. Psychological and counselling support is provided to families to encourage school attendance and family reintegration. This also aims to improve the care facilities where vulnerable children are temporarily living; and the development of a suitable educational program for children with psychological support during the entire process of rehabilitation.

A young psychologist known as Diana began work at the DBCPC, she carried out 3 or 6 sessions, accompanied by group therapy to assist the children and adolescents to accept daily life's real difficulties and help them overcome their greatest fear. After months of work with the young people it made her understand that several families are going through severe difficulties and they manage to guarantee only one meal a day and some children have expressed their desire to go home so that they can then go back to school.





Supply of materials for children's specific needs

Personal hygiene material was delivered to the Don Bosco Child Protection Centre (DBCPC), Ashaiman to provide materials for children according to their specific needs. VIS and AIBI have contributed to this important objective by donating four thousand, four hundred Ghana cedis (GH¢ 4,400.00) of bathing soap, washing soap, toothpaste and toothbrush, hair creams, body creams, bleach, and paper rolls.

AT DON BOSCO BOYS HOME. SUNYANI

#### **Environmental Ambassadors**

A training program in environmental education and organic agriculture has been launched by VIS Ghana. Children and youths in Don Bosco Boys Home (DBBH) has been engaged in interactive activities by the multidisciplinary staff of VIS Ghana: a trip to the Boabeng Fiema Monkey Sanctuary and the realization of an organic garden. The objective is to raise awareness about environmental challenges, as well as to practice competences in sustainable agriculture practices, Science and English.

#### **Ecotourism in the Bono East Region**

Fifty two (52) guests of the Don Bosco Boys Home Sunvani from the ages of 7 to 17 made an amazing trip to the Bono East Region. The trip has been organized by VIS Ghana thanks to the Sponsorship Program. Children and youth visited the Boabeng Fiema Monkey Sanctuary and the Kristu Boase Monastry. The guides accompanied the children in the exploration of the rainy forest, century-old trees and huge rock formation.







Other pictures: https://drive.google.com/drive/u/3/folders/1xZo6\_0d2pOOOP8lKmm-YewAvXsGOodE3



#### **Organic Garden**

VIS Ghana agronomists are conducting a training in organic agriculture for the DBBH guests. Children and youth are cultivating maize, tomatoes, zucchini, salad, pepper... The garden completes the farm facilities, improving the selfsufficiency of the center with organic vegetables. At the same time in the garden children practice competences in sustainable agriculture techniques.

#### **Back to school**

Don Bosco Boys Home Sunyani is assuring the right to education of their younger guests. VIS Ghana have contributed to achieve this important objective by donating thirteen thousand, four hundred and sixty Ghana cedis, fourty eight pesewas (GH¢ 13,460.48) of stationary materials, textbooks and uniforms.





# About us

Foyer Don Bosco - Don Bosco Child Protection Centre, Koumassi, Abidjan-IVORY COAST

Don Bosco Child Protection Centre. Koumassi, Abidjan-Ivory Coast

It is an education and rehabilitation centre established in 1994 to provide for street children, less privileged children of Koumassi-Abidjan and facilitate their family and social reintegration through the search for families. Fover Don Bosco is a home and a recreational Centre where they will be prepared for enrollment into the mainstream of education.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

In the morning, there is breakfast for every child including the staff. The cook prepares a hot meal according to what is on the menu for that day after which they go to class to prepare for their studies. This is done to offer a more balanced diet to residents and street children: This action involves establishing a varied menu for the good health of our residents.





As part of the rehabilitation process, children in the centre after school every day engage in recreational activities. With the help of a coach, sports instructor or staffs, they participate in sports activities and physical education in order to keep fit and healthy, to promote socialization and also entertaining them with activities that will occupy their attention from unmoral voices and behaviours.



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FOYER IMMACULÉE DON BOSCO Child Protection Centre. KARA, TOGO



AT THE FOYER IMMACULÉE Don Bosco Child Protection Centre-KARA, TOGO

Foyer Immaculée was created in Kara in 1985 in northern Togo, the Foyer Immaculée Don Bosco aims to recover street children (girls and boys) from their pre-delinquency situation and facilitate their social and family reintegration. These street children between the ages of 5 and 17 come from towns and villages in Togo.

#### **Holiday Courses**

From 1st August to 31st August, 2022, from 7 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day, holiday lessons took place at the Don Bosco College and High School with a view to raise the school level of the children and making them more competitive during the 2022-2023 school year.

The vacation courses from Primary to High School which focused on subjects such as: Mental and written Calculation, Written and Spoken Expression, Civic and Moral Education, Mathematics, History Geography, English, French, Philosophy were organized by Salesian confreres (Trainee and philosophy students) with the collaboration of young students and some teachers from the College.











## Socio-Educational Activities at the Foyer Immaculée

At afternoon from 3:00pm to 5.30 p.m., Foyer Immaculée Don Bosco Child Protection Centre (CPC) were marked by sports and well-being activities; learning and autonomy activities; artistic activities; Psychological activities; and physical expression activities.

With the collaboration of the educators of the Immaculate Home and Spanish volunteers, the children were able to acquire physical, moral and psychological skills through these different activities which promote their full development. Their socialization has develop in them attitudes of resilience in relation to their personal story.















#### Formation Workshop at the Immaculate Don Bosco Home:

From 6th September to 8th September, 2022, a digital and creative workshop, in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) was organized for the benefit of the children of the Foyer and at which at the end of the workshop, prizes and certificates were awarded to the children of the Foyer Immaculée Don Bosco.

This workshop was organized by the young people of the EDU Association of Togo, led by a company Binary'Hub. The theme "Give young people a taste for initiative and creativity, openness to the world of work" has three objectives:

- Equip young people from disadvantaged backgrounds to embrace professional careers through practical training.
- Fosters creativity and divergent thinking alongside core disciplines.
- Provide the knowledge that will facilitate a successful transition into the labour market.













## Our bank Details



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