The Cities Alliance Ghana Country Programme supported national and local governments working directly with urban poor communities to:

- Empower the urban poor to participate in planning;
- Improve residents’ access to basic services;
- Build capacity to better coordinate urban development efforts across the Greater Accra Metropolitan Area (GAMA); and
- Support an emerging urban policy process.

From 2011-16, the Country Programme mobilised over 16 partners for 9 grants (and 3 supporting activities) in GAMA with US $3.8 million in funding.

In numbers:

- 1 National Urban Policy to guide urban planning and 1 Urban Development Unit to oversee it
- 1 National Urban Forum that is being replicated at the municipal level
- 8 metropolitan assemblies in GAMA with improved capacity to coordinate for better service delivery
- 15% more households in slum or low-income neighbourhoods have regular access to potable water
- $150 million leveraged from the World Bank for sanitation projects for the urban poor
- 75% of projects contained at least one capacity-building initiative
- 126 settlements were profiled
- 22 communities federated into 45 savings groups
- 700 community leaders trained on participatory community upgrading mechanisms
- 2 radio programmes with wide reach significantly impacted the public’s view of urban issues

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