



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.

Community:

- Community organisation mechanisms
- Profiling settlements
- Small-scale infrastructure projects

Cross-cutting: National advocacy campaign to raise awareness of urban issues.

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

The 12 activities covered:

National:

- Urban policies
- Capacity building to implement policies

Municipal:

- Capacity building for local authorities in GAMA (focus on coordination and sanitation)

Cities Alliance is the global partnership supporting cities to deliver sustainable development.