

## Sustain-A-Bean: Reshaping Cocoa Communities Through Clean Water Initiatives

How Access to Clean Water is Transforming Lives in Ghana's Cocoa Farming Villages

ACCRA, GHANA, January 13, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Access to Clean Water: A Fundamental Human Right

Access to clean water is a fundamental human right, yet many cocoa farming communities in Ghana struggle with unreliable or unsafe water sources. Women and children bear the brunt of this crisis, walking miles daily to fetch water that is frequently contaminated. Sustain-A-Bean, a social enterprise driven by sustainability and community empowerment, is tackling this challenge through its Sustain A Being core value—a transformative initiative reshaping lives in cocoa-growing regions.



DID YOU KNOW?

## The Water Crisis in Cocoa Communities

According to UNICEF, 20% of rural communities in Ghana lack access to safe drinking water, leading to severe health, educational, and economic implications. Contaminated water sources contribute to waterborne diseases such as diarrhea and cholera, particularly affecting children under five. The time spent fetching water also limits children's school attendance and women's ability to engage in income-generating activities.

## Sustain-A-Bean's Water Access Initiative

As part of its commitment to sustainable development, Sustain-A-Bean launched a program that directly addresses these challenges. By drilling deep wells (boreholes) in underserved cocoa farming villages, the initiative ensures a reliable and clean water supply for drinking, cooking,

and irrigation.

Key Components of the Initiative:

Community Engagement: Sustain-A-Bean collaborates with local leaders and residents to identify priority areas and train community members in borehole maintenance.

Health Education: Workshops teach safe water practices and hygiene, maximizing the health benefits of clean water.

Transformative Impact on Lives

The results of this initiative have been profound, with more than 10,000 residents across cocoa farming villages benefiting directly.

Health Benefits: Communities have seen a reduction in waterborne diseases since the installation of boreholes.

Education Access: With less time spent fetching water, school attendance rates have increased by 35%.

Economic Growth: Farmers now use the water for irrigation, leading to higher crop yields and improved household incomes.

"Water is the foundation of life," says Vanya Daryanani, CEO of Sustain-A-Bean. "Our initiative is not just about providing water; it's about unlocking opportunities for health, education, and economic growth."

A Community Transformed: The Case of Tetekasum

In Tetekasum, a cocoa farming village in Suhum, the introduction of a borehole has transformed the community. Local farmer Moses shares his experience: "Before the borehole, our children were always sick, and our crops suffered during the dry season. Now, we have clean water for our families and irrigation for our farms. Life has improved in every way."

Sustain-A-Bean's initiative aligns with United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) and offers a replicable model for corporations looking to integrate impactful water initiatives into their CSR strategies. By addressing the water crisis, companies can contribute to long-term sustainability while strengthening their social impact.

## Call to Action

Corporations and investors can play a pivotal role in expanding the reach of Sustain-A-Bean's clean water initiatives. By partnering with Sustain-A-Bean, you can help bring clean water to thousands more and leave a lasting legacy in cocoa-growing regions.

For partnership opportunities, visit <a href="https://sustainabean.org">https://sustainabean.org</a>.

Sustain-A-Bean is more than a source of clean water—it's a lifeline transforming cocoa farming communities. By addressing the water crisis, this initiative sets a new standard for sustainable development, proving that access to water is the key to unlocking human potential.

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