

University Involvement in 4-H Ghana

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Outline

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Introduction of 4-H Ghana

Reason for introducing 4-H in the North

- Neglect of Agriculture as a business by the youth.
- High rural-urban migration(Kayaye)
- High youth unemployment

Focus of 4-H Ghana in the Northern Region

Agriculture

- Enterprise Gardens (Community/School gardens)
- Nutrition (Orange Flesh sweet potatoes [OFSP])
- Livelihood Empowerment (Village Saving and Loans Association (VSLA))

Success Stories

- 4 H Club in Kumbungu District has become a vibrant \Community \Based \Organization (CBO) changing lives



Improvement of Nutrition (Orange Flesh Sweet Potatoes [OFSP])



Adibo 4-H Club harvesting their OFSP

Increase in Maize production through improved seeds and planting methods (Dupont Pioneer hybrid seed)



Kpalaga 4-H Community Club harvesting their Dupont Pioneer maize

Enterprise Gardens



Jonshegu 4-H Club harvesting their carrots

UDS involvement

- The UDS operates in our catchment area and 4-H clubs stand to benefit immensely if we collaborate with them.
- The University have trimester program that send student to rural areas within the Northern Region
- Collaborating with this programme will provide support to 4 H clubs in the area of research from the campus to the communities.

Conclusion

The application of 4-H principles in the Northern Region through the enterprise Gardens

- Has made agric attractive to many young people
- Develop new young entrepreneurs
- Promote saving through the VLSA