Ghana has the second highest rate of Buruli ulcer globally. Along with several hundred of new leprosy cases a year, many individuals are left vulnerable to these neglected tropical diseases.

However, due to limited resources & capabilities of health facilities, many patients are unable to receive quality treatments & aftercare.

Buruli ulcer & leprosy can be controlled using the same strategy. By improving case detection, the quality of health services, & the coordination of health workers, less individuals will be devastated by lasting impairments associated with these two diseases.

Ghana is a country with a young population. It is vital to create an environment that fosters growth & development in the lives of Ghana’s future.

By supporting this project, you are helping alleviate & eliminate the suffering of many individuals affected by Buruli ulcer & leprosy, & protect communities from those diseases.
Brong-Ahafo is a region in rural south Ghana.

With a total of 19 districts in this region, about 2.3 million people reside there.

The Brong Ahafo Integrated Buruli Ulcer & Leprosy Control Project aims to create positive changes in the landscape of disease management by integrating the control of both Buruli ulcer & leprosy. By training healthcare personnel on both diseases, the delay caused by multiple visits/referrals & incomplete medical records is eliminated.

The project has 3 approaches:

**Increase early case detection**
Train health workers to recognize diseases in their early stages, & increase disease awareness in community.

**Improve case management**
Improve the ability of health workers to provide appropriate care for patients to control & prevent health complications & disabilities.

**Improve surveillance & coordination**
Ensure funds & resources are used efficiently in the program, & strengthen relationships with local partners.

Reduce the burden of Leprosy & Buruli ulcer in Brong-Ahafo, Ghana

Your gift will help change the lives of vulnerable people affected by these two diseases. Individuals will be able to receive rapid, high-quality health care that will help them get back on their feet as soon as possible.

Together, we can work to ensure that more individuals can lead healthy lives, unaffected by Buruli ulcer & leprosy.

Costs - Total budget: $47k in 2015
- Raise awareness of diseases through radio broadcasts.
- Organize community outreaches for case detection.
- Training staff to collect data for research.
- Follow-up visits to health facilities.
- Educational support for children.

Benefiting
Families of about 3498 people will be touched every year.