



THE GRASSROOTS ALTERNATIVE MOVEMENT (GAM)



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tenets of fair play, equality, and justice.

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Introduction

The Grassroots Alternative Movement (GAM) is a social justice, political and advocacy organization committed to building a just society in Liberia with the tenets of fair play, equality, and justice. We have come to realize that the need exists for Liberians to fully understand their roles, rights, and responsibilities for the promotion and attainment of good governance. It would allow Liberians to foster patriotism, good citizenship, and productivity for the overall welfare and right image of Liberia.

Over the years, corruption has become cancer and normalized in Liberia, effectively undermining the development of our country. There is an opportunity to turn this nightmare around by good and well-meaning Librarians at home and abroad. This approach is a step in the door leading to the attainment of genuine peace and reconciliation, which is dependent upon the full implementation of the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's report and the impartial application of the rule of law.



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COVID-19, with six deaths representing a 10.2 percent mortality rate. This initial mortality rate is concerning to all Liberians. As a result, we want to act fast to stop the spread of the virus and to prevent many Liberian from being affected. Even the great United States has been hit extremely hard by the virus. The United States, which has seen the highest number of COVID-19 cases mortality rate is 4 percent as of April 13, 2020. The Global mortality rate is 6.2 percent. Given the effects of this global crisis, it is essential that citizens and civil society organizations collectively work together to prevent the spread of the virus and save lives.

GAM responded to this pandemic by conducting social mobilization activities for households in District # 9, Montserrado County, Liberia. GAM intervention, along with the social mobilization activities, included the donation of 100 buckets, 100 faucets, 100 bottles of chloride, 100 pieces of stickers/flyers, and other preventive materials to 100 vulnerable households in District.

Corona Virus is truly deadly and is crippling the economy of our country at a faster rate than expected. It has no doubt caused fears and panic among our citizens, but when we stand together, we can overcome fears and win the battle against the Corona Virus. Now is the time for us to be courageous and fight together. As an organization, GAM believes that the poorest and most vulnerable among us stand the risk of being exposed to COVID – 19.

What We Do

GAM Objectives

The objectives of the GAM shall be, but not limited to:

1. Encourage genuine peace and reconciliation in Liberia and amongst Liberians in the diaspora.
2. Promote the impartial application of the rule of law and good governance.
3. Promote economic recovery and national development efforts.
4. Promote good citizenship and productivity.
Fight corruption and promote the equitable distribution of resources.

Thematic Area



Agriculture

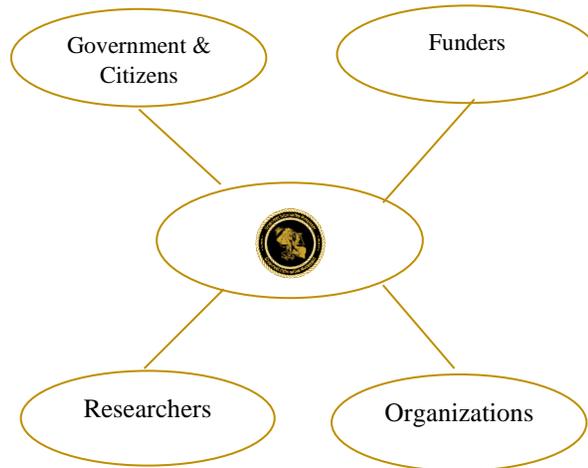


Education



Advocacy

Who We Work With



Our Approach

1

Identify

GAM identify issues of national concern for strategic intervention

2

Intervene

GAM intervene into national issue with innovative program designs and advance solutions.

3

Influence

GAM build partnerships and communicate program impacts at the policy level, to decision-makers; policymakers, researchers, relevant government ministries and agencies, Civil Society, and INGOs.

4

Scale

GAM expands the proven results of its intervention to relevant locations and hot spots across the country.



Agriculture

Agriculture is the mainstay of Liberia's economy. Accordingly, the Grassroots Alternative Movement (GAM) considers agriculture as a primary focus. GAM focuses on empowering Liberians to help citizens become self-sufficient in food production and other agricultural ventures.

Areas of Focus:

- Farming (Cash Crop & Rice Cultivation)
- Animal Husbandry & Fishery

Education

- **Vision** A system of education that is flexible evolves with time and fully meets the needs and aspirations of Liberian individually and collectively as a nation
- **Mission** To provide Liberians with the opportunity to access and complete affordable education of quality, relevance, and appropriateness that meets their needs and that of the nation. Consistent with the vision and mission of education in Liberia as defined by the 2010-2020 Education Sector Plan (ESP) (ESP, 2010), GAM will develop and implement programs to improve and strengthen the education system.

Areas of Focus:

- Academic - GAM will provide support early childhood and secondary education by providing scholarships, educational materials, and support to teacher training
- Civic Education - GAM will prepare and introduce to the Legislature, the mandate to educate Liberians on their roles, rights, and responsibilities as citizens. GAM believes this is fundamentally required in addressing Liberia's bad governance and poor economic issues.

Advocacy

The Grassroots Alternative Movement (GAM) is committed to building a just society in Liberia with the tenets of fair play, equality, and justice. GAM will achieve this important milestone by developing and implementing evidence-based advocacy programs that will address all forms of injustices. GAM believes this will transform Liberia into a just society.

Areas of Focus:

- Policy and Law/Legal Reforms
- Human Rights
- Freedom of Speech
- Freedom of the Press

COVID 19 Intervention

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GAM admonished Liberians to follow all the guidelines established by the World Health Organization and the National Public Health Institute of Liberia.

According to WHO, “The best way to prevent and slow down transmission is be well informed about the COVID-19 virus the disease it causes, and how it spread.” Protect yourself and others from infection by washing your hands or using an alcohol-based rub frequently and not touching your face.

COVID-19 Symptoms

COVID-19 affects people in different ways. Most infected people will develop mild to moderate illness and recover without hospitalization.

Most Common Symptoms:

- Fever
- Dry cough
- Tiredness

Less common symptoms:

- Aches and pains
- Sore throat
- Diarrhea
- Conjunctivitis
- Headache
- Loss of taste or smell
- A rash on the skin, or discoloration of fingers or toes

Serious symptoms:

- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- Chest pain or pressure
- Loss of speech or movement

Seek immediate medical attention if you have serious symptoms. Always call before visiting your doctor or health facility.

On average it takes 5-6 days from when someone is infected with the virus for symptoms to show. However, it can take up to 14 days. (WHO COVID-19)

Funders and Donors

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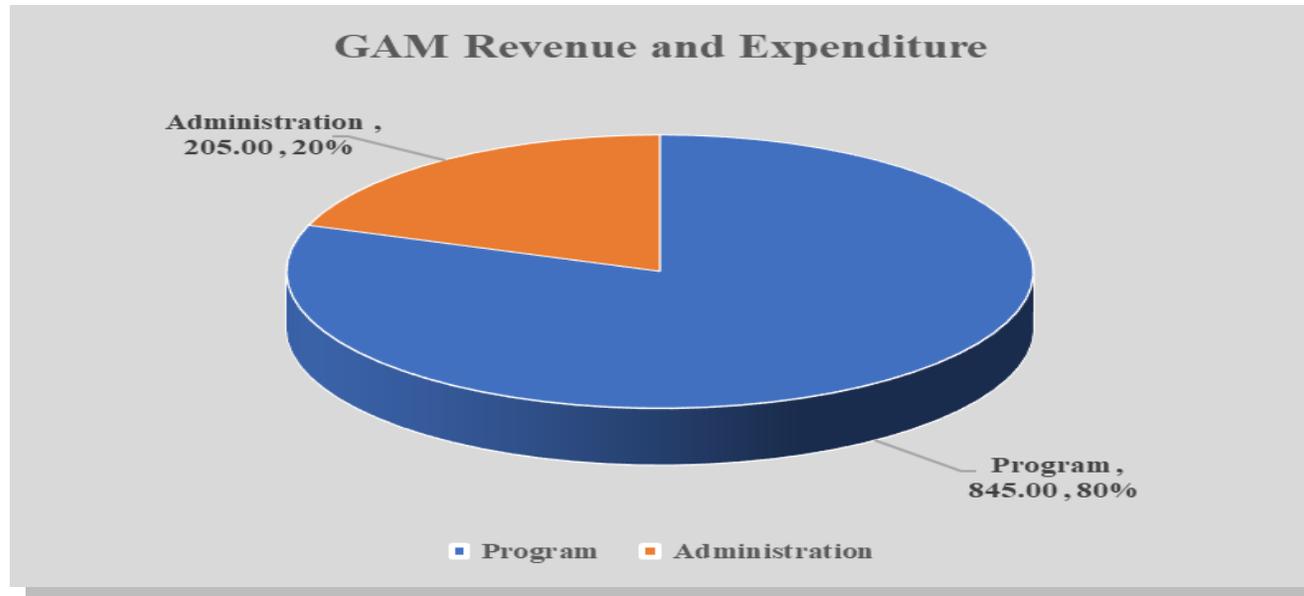
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Financial Statement COVID 19 Intervention 2020

Revenue		Amount
	Beginning Balance	0
	Donor	0
	GAM Members Contributions	1,280.00
		0
		0
	Total Revenue	1,280.00
Expenditure		
	Program	845.00
	Administration	205.00
	Total Expense	1,050.00
	EXCESS OF INCOME(EXPENDITURE)	230.00

GAM Revenues and Expenses for the CIVID 19 Intervention 2020



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