

Tema, Ghana



Ghana Milwaukee Association
Presentation to Sister City Committee

Where is Ghana?



Tema



- Population is around 300,000 people
- Existing Sister Cities with San Diego, Norfolk VA, Greenwich UK
- Considered the Heart of Development for the Country
- Greenwich Meridian Line Passes through it. Considered the Center of the World

Tema Trade Significance



- The country is responsible for exporting oil, gold, bauxite, cocoa, tuna, aluminum, timber, diamonds, manganese ore and horticultural products.
- Home to Africa's largest man-made harbor with the busiest port in Ghana
- Handles 80% of Ghanaian and provides Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger with transit cargo.
- Recently Ghana's ports have been named the best performing ports at the African Ports Awards

Government Structure



- Tema Metropolitan Assembly acts as Common Council
- Mayor of Tema has presented to the TMA about Milwaukee
- Mr. Frank Asante, head of International Partnerships
 - Houses Sister Cities

Partnership Opportunities: Socioeconomic



- Contracting with the Port to provide training and automation resources
- Formalizing relationship between Port Authorities
 - Importing cocoa for Milwaukee Chocolatiers and other materials as needed
 - Exporting tech products, motorcycles, and BEER
 - Connecting with Chambers of Commerce

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- City Planning and Development
 - Potential connection between City Plan Commissions
 - Clean Water and County Park Infrastructure
- Beer culture
 - Mr. Asante suggested mass production and craft breweries export to Tema for distribution.
 - Potential for a Milwaukee Beer Festival to be held on an annual basis.

Partnership Opportunities: Education



- Ghanaian Students in Milwaukee
 - Cardinal Stritch
 - MSOE
 - Marquette
 - University of Wisconsin Milwaukee
- Nursing Exchange
 - Students going from Milwaukee Nursing Schools to Ghana on abroad program
 - Existing Program with Norfolk
- Health Connection

Partnership Opportunities: Culture



- Year of Return
- Strengthening Cross Cultural Partnership
- Ko-Thi Dance Company
 - Dr. Mensah
- Asentu Rites of Passage
 - Learning from Ghana
 - Maximizing youth exposure to their history and culture
- Festivals
 - Africans in Milwaukee Festival
 - Potential Relationship with Black Arts Fest

Questions?