Supporting her Independence

Before becoming a basket weaver, Apana Amyogpoka had to walk more than six miles each way to the nearest city in northern Ghana to try and sell produce. She shares, “I didn’t go to school, yet I learned a job that I can do with my hands. I weave. I have my own income. I can help take care of my family and my three children can go to school. Fair trade has improved our community—more children are in school and stay longer because we are able to afford to pay for primary and junior high school.”