

Get to know the NSGA



**Nova Scotia
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Association**

Who we are

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An NGO run by Gambians for Gambians.

With youth as our focus, for over 40 years we have been tirelessly working to build healthier, equitable, and more prosperous communities across The Gambia.



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Why Nova Scotia? Our ties to Canada:



The NSGA's connection to Canada traces back to our late founder, Burris Devanney, who was from Nova Scotia.

This enduring relationship has led to the involvement of over 500 Canadians with the NSGA, including teachers, doctors, nurses, health educators, development workers, interns, and other skilled professionals.

Now NSGA is fully owned and operated by Gambians. In 2020, we closed our remaining operations in Nova Scotia, transitioning full ownership and management to our HQ in The Gambia.

Who we work with



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Children see the world through a lens of possibility. Their optimism is contagious. That's why they are at the core of our programs.

Through our Peer Health Education program, Nova Scotia Gambia Association's ultimate goal is to empower African children and youth with education so they can teach their friends, loved ones, and communities how to live healthier, more prosperous lives.



What we do



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Peer health education passes important life lessons from classmate to classmate, child to parent, and neighbour to neighbour.

Over 150 schools work with NSGA to enable peer health education in their classrooms and schoolyards.

Together with The Gambia's Ministry of Basic and Secondary Education, the NSGA has been successfully implementing peer health education models in schools across the country.



Our Peer Health Education model

Each school identifies 30 students as official peer health educators (PHEs).



Two teachers are selected to support and guide PHEs.



Teachers and PHEs receive regular training from NSGA staff on various components of health and wellbeing.



PHEs become ambassadors for health in their communities.



NSGA
**LEARN AND
TEACH OTHERS**
EST. 1985

What we cover



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We believe health is not limited to healthcare. That's why we take a holistic approach, covering a wide range of topics and life skills.

Topics Include:

Malaria

Diabetes

Tuberculosis

Sexual & reproductive health

HIV/AIDS & STIs

Mental wellbeing

Cyberbullying prevention

Substance abuse

Healthy relationships & life Skills

Youth employability

Youth leadership & empowerment

Environmental issues

Water safety, scarcity & conservation

Food, water & sanitation safe practices

Nutrition

Combatting female genital mutilation

Gender equality

Menstrual hygiene

Landmine Sensitization and Education



Our Partners



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Working together to build a healthier Gambia for all.

With over forty years of experience, we have built lasting partnerships with a wide range of local and international organizations dedicated to the pursuit of a healthier, more prosperous Gambia:



Get Involved



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How YOU can get involved in building a healthier, more prosperous Gambia:

- ✓ **Volunteer with us**
- ✓ **Donate**
- ✓ **Fundraise**
- ✓ **Partner**

For any inquiries, partnership requests, or if you want to get involved, send us a message to:

info@novascotiagambia.ca

or on **any of our social media platforms!**



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