

OVIE BRUME
FOUNDATION



ANNUAL
OVERVIEW
2023



"Education is the key to unlocking a child's full potential and empowering them to create positive change in the world."

LouAnne Johnson

"It will never rain roses: when we want to have more roses, we must plant more roses."

George Eliot

"To God Who Gives Joy and Purpose to my youth."

Youth Center



Vision

A society where young people are educated and empowered



Mission

Creating an enabling environment where young people are able to reach their goals and give back to their communities

FROM THE CHAIRPERSON



Evelyn Oputa

As we delve into the details of the Ovie Brume Foundation's Annual Report, I am filled with pride as we reflect on the profound impact we have made in the realms of education, recreation, and social development in 2023. These pillars not only form the foundation of our mission but also serve as the guiding principles through which we strive to build brighter futures for the communities we serve. Education remains at the core of our endeavors, acting as the catalyst for personal growth and societal advancement.

In 2023, through our educational initiatives, we have worked tirelessly to equip young minds with the knowledge, skills, and opportunities necessary to thrive in an ever-changing world. From our scholarship programs to educational workshops and mentorship initiatives, we have endeavored to eliminate barriers to learning and empower individuals to realize their full potential. In tandem with our commitment to education, our dedication to recreation underscores the importance of holistic development. We recognize that physical and mental well-being are essential components of overall success and happiness. Through sports, arts, and recreational activities, we have sought to cultivate joy, camaraderie, and self-expression among our beneficiaries, providing them with avenues for

creativity, teamwork, and personal growth.

Furthermore, our unwavering commitment to social development manifests in various forms of community engagement. From conducting free health check-ups for residents in Surulere to providing scholarship awards to underserved children in the Niger Delta, our presence has been felt positively within the communities we serve. We are proud to have been able to make a tangible difference, and we remain steadfast in our dedication to giving our best.

Additionally, to enhance our self-sustainability, PROJECT 20 HANDS ON (involving the creation of woven baskets, tie and dye shirts, creams, soaps, etc.) was incorporated as part of our program at the Foundation. As we reflect on the achievements and milestones outlined in this report, let us recommit ourselves to advancing the cause of education, recreation, and social development. Together, as stewards of change and champions of progress, we have the power to continue making a meaningful difference in the lives of those we serve and to forge a brighter, more inclusive future for all.

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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As we reflect on the achievements and milestones of the past year, we do so with a deep sense of pride and gratitude for the collective journey we have embarked upon. Our steadfast commitment to empowering youth and nurturing vibrant communities has yielded remarkable results, propelling us forward in our mission.

One of the significant accomplishments we celebrate is the ongoing development of our Youth Centre in Surulere. Located in the heart of Lagos, this project represents a pivotal moment in our organization's history. It symbolizes our unwavering dedication to providing a nurturing environment where young individuals can thrive and realize their full potential. This initiative serves as a testament to our shared determination and the transformative impact we

continue to make in the lives of others.

Looking ahead, our vision extends beyond the boundaries of Lagos. Over the next decade, we envision the Ovie Brume Foundation expanding its reach, establishing Youth Centres across Nigeria and extending into neighbouring countries such as Cameroon and Benin Republic. While we take pride in our current presence in Lagos, Victoria Island, Surulere, and Delta, our ambitions know no bounds. Our aspirations lead us to cities like Ibadan, Kaduna, Jos, and Cross River, where the need for our interventions is necessary.

Recognizing the pivotal role of education in shaping futures, we remain steadfast in our determination to address the challenges faced by communities in these regions and empower youth to unlock their potential. Even in regions plagued by insecurity, our resolve remains unshakable. Despite the challenges that lie ahead, I am confident in our ability to overcome obstacles and extend our reach to every corner of our nation.

I see the Ovie Brume Foundation transcending borders and emerging as an international beacon of hope and transformation. Our aspirations extend beyond mere physical presence. We envision deepening collaborations with international NGOs, amplifying

our impact through strategic partnerships, and leveraging our collective efforts to advocate for the rights and well-being of children on a global scale. By aligning with esteemed organizations like UNICEF and forging alliances with like-minded entities, we can maximize our reach and effect positive change on a broader stage.

Furthermore, we recognize the profound impact of incorporating creative arts such as drama, dance, film, arts & crafts, into our programs. Encouraging self-expression through these mediums fosters a positive and welcoming atmosphere, where hearts and minds can open up more easily. This facilitates the resolution of family and school problems, fostering an environment of understanding and support for the youth we serve.

As we stand on the threshold of a new era, let us reaffirm our commitment to our shared vision and redouble our efforts to create a brighter, more inclusive future for generations to come. Together, we can continue to build upon our legacy of empowerment and inspire enduring change in the lives of youth across Africa and beyond.

2023 OVERVIEW



The Ovie Brume Foundation is committed to empowering young people and communities through education, capacity building, and life skills development, contributing to the achievement of key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Our programs are designed to create meaningful impact, particularly among underserved youth and vulnerable groups, aligning with our vision of a society where every young person has the opportunity to realize their full potential.

Reduced Poverty (SDG 1): Through our Youth Empowerment and Livelihoods Program, we provide vocational training, entrepreneurship development, and mentorship to young people, enabling them to generate sustainable income and break free from the cycle of poverty.

Eradicated Hunger (SDG 2): The Community Outreach and Support Projects ensure that disadvantaged families, particularly children, receive nutritious meals and agricultural skills training, fostering food security and better health outcomes.

Promoted Good Health and Well-being (SDG 3): Our Health Education and Awareness Campaigns focus on young people, promoting healthy lifestyles, reproductive health, and access to basic healthcare services through school-based health clinics and community outreach.

Increased Access to Quality Education (SDG 4): The Ovie Brume Youth Centre is central to our work, providing free educational support, after-school programs, and digital literacy training, ensuring that thousands of marginalized youth receive quality education and build skills for the future.

Advanced Gender Equality (SDG 5): Our Girls Empowerment Initiative focuses on promoting gender equity by providing leadership development, education, and vocational skills to young girls, helping them overcome barriers and realize their potential in a safe and supportive environment.

Improved Access to Clean Water and Sanitation (SDG 6): The Water and Hygiene Program educate youth on hygiene practices, and reducing the prevalence of waterborne diseases.

Reduced Inequality (SDG 10): Through our Inclusive Education Programs, we work to ensure that marginalized and disadvantaged youth, including those with disabilities, have equal access to education, mentorship, and personal development opportunities.

Created Opportunities for Decent Work and Economic Growth (SDG 8): The Skills Acquisition and Vocational Training Program empowers young people with technical and entrepreneurial skills, ensuring they can secure employment or create small businesses, thereby driving economic growth within their communities.

Fostered Strong Partnerships for Sustainable Development (SDG 17): The Partnership for Progress Initiative brings together government agencies, private sector organizations, and international partners to amplify the impact of our programs and ensure sustainable development outcomes for the youth we serve."

The Ovie Brume Foundation's mission is to unlock the potential of young people through education, empowerment, and partnerships. By focusing on youth as our primary target group, we drive long-lasting change that contributes to a better future for all."

OVERALL IMPACT ANALYSIS

In 2023 1,850 students from 3 L.G.A (Eti Osa, Lagos Mainland and Island) were DIRECTLY REACHED and IMPACTED through our EDUCATIONAL, SOCIAL and RECREATIONAL programs.



MALE
(832) 45%



FEMALE
(1018) 55%



30%

Teachers were trained through our school training



70%

of our youth center members have demonstrated enhanced knowledge uptake



EDUCATION

The Ovie Brume Foundation made substantial strides in advancing education, particularly in Mathematics and English Language, benefiting 109 students (58 female, 51 male) across eight public secondary schools. The impactful intervention comprised 42 intensive sessions in Mathematics and 26 in English language.

The teaching methodology employed fostered highly participatory and educative classes. This approach not only strengthened subject comprehension but also instilled confidence in the students. The sessions were crafted to provide individualized attention, ensuring each member received personalized support at every training session.



MATHEMATICS ENRICHMENT:

Qualified teachers and dedicated volunteers collaborated to facilitate these sessions, employing effective teaching methods tailored to simplify complex subjects. Rigorous tracking of students' progress revealed a remarkable 60% improvement among senior secondary school students and a commendable 48% development for their junior counterparts. A significant achievement was imparting strategies for efficient problem-solving without the use of calculators. Classes were strategically designed to address individual challenges, ensuring a focused approach to those in need.



ENGLISH LANGUAGE MASTERY:

Recognizing communication as a fundamental skill, the Foundation prioritized English Language programs. The curriculum encompassed reading, listening, speaking, and writing skills. Additional sessions involving library use and group book readings were instrumental in enriching vocabulary. Assessments demonstrated a notable 27% and 30% increase in capacity and knowledge among junior and senior beneficiaries, respectively.

LITERACY AND NUMERACY CLASSES:

Primary school pupils benefited significantly from twenty-six sessions of the literacy class and twenty-five sessions of the numeracy class. These classes aimed to provide comprehensive training, address early challenges, and prepare the pupils for common entrance exams by covering probable questions. Assessments demonstrated a commendable 54% improvement in numeracy, aligning with the syllabus shared by the Ministry of Education.



READING AND VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS:

In collaboration with Madam Nike Makinde (Volunteer) eight reading and vocabulary development sessions were conducted. These sessions not only fueled the appetite for learning among the young beneficiaries but also imparted skills on how to acquire new words through reading. Remarkably, five books (Beem Explores Africa - Simidele Dosekun, Riddle Riddle - Sope Martins, Anike Eleko - Alaba Onajin, Sandra Joubeaud, A school trip like no other - Jacqueline U and Grandma's Treasure - Dunni Olatunde) were successfully read and completed by the pupils following the training.



CREATIVE WRITING:

The Ovie Brume Foundation achieved a significant milestone in holistic development through its Creative Writing and Expression Program, an extension of the English Language class. This initiative focused on fostering honest self-expression, emphasizing the benefits of expressive writing, and integrating seamlessly with the curriculum. Over ten thoughtfully curated sessions, participants actively engaged in diverse projects, including book reading, research, debates, and presentations on topics like technology and education. The program had a profound impact, enhancing vocabulary, communication skills, and confidence in public speaking, establishing it as a cornerstone in the Foundation's holistic educational approach for continued growth and empowerment.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) PROGRAM:



The ICT class, a cornerstone of the Foundation's educational offerings, stands as a pivotal course designed to equip students for the evolving landscape of Information Technology. This program has emerged as a vital tool in providing our beneficiaries with fundamental computer knowledge, empowering them to leverage technology for career advancement. At the initiation of the training, a substantial 90% of our beneficiaries confessed to lacking understanding of computer basics, such as document creation, folder management, and basic commands.

Throughout the program year, a total of fourteen sessions were conducted, delving into the fundamentals of computing. Moreover, an additional three classes were dedicated to a coding bootcamp facilitated by Miss Rae, a seasoned programmer who returned to the centre to volunteer. The outcomes have been remarkable, with many beneficiaries now proficient in utilizing computers for various tasks. Notably, a few have advanced their skills to the extent of coding with HTML and executing basic commands in the Python programming language. This transformation signifies a substantial shift, empowering beneficiaries with valuable skills that align with contemporary technological demands.

ETHICS AND GROOMING SESSIONS:

Fifteen sessions were dedicated to Ethics and Grooming, aiming to anchor children in sound moral principles, enhance their social development, and raise awareness of their surroundings. The pupils received instruction on Etiquette, emphasizing the importance of magic words and Personal Hygiene.



PSYCHOLOGY SESSION:

Held on the 13th and 18th of September, the session with Mr Moyinoluwa Olumide (Lagos State Teaching Hospital - LUTH). The session was held to help understand our beneficiary's mental state and to also know how to relate with them better. Some of our beneficiaries also had a one-on-one session with the class facilitator.



VIRTUAL INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH ABI DARE, AUTHOR OF "THE GIRL WITH THE LOUDING VOICE":

As part of our efforts to foster creativity and a love for learning among our young members, we organized a virtual interactive session with Abi Dare, the esteemed author of "The Girl With the Louding Voice." This session provided an invaluable opportunity for 69 Youth Centre members to engage directly with the author and explore the world of literature. The virtual session encouraged our participants to develop reading habits and embrace the transformative power of books. Abi Dare shared her journey as an author and offered insights into the writing process and the themes explored in her critically acclaimed novel. Through a lively and interactive discussion, the participants had the chance to ask questions, share their thoughts, and gain a deeper understanding of the power of storytelling.



LAGOS BOOK AND ART FESTIVAL (LABAF):

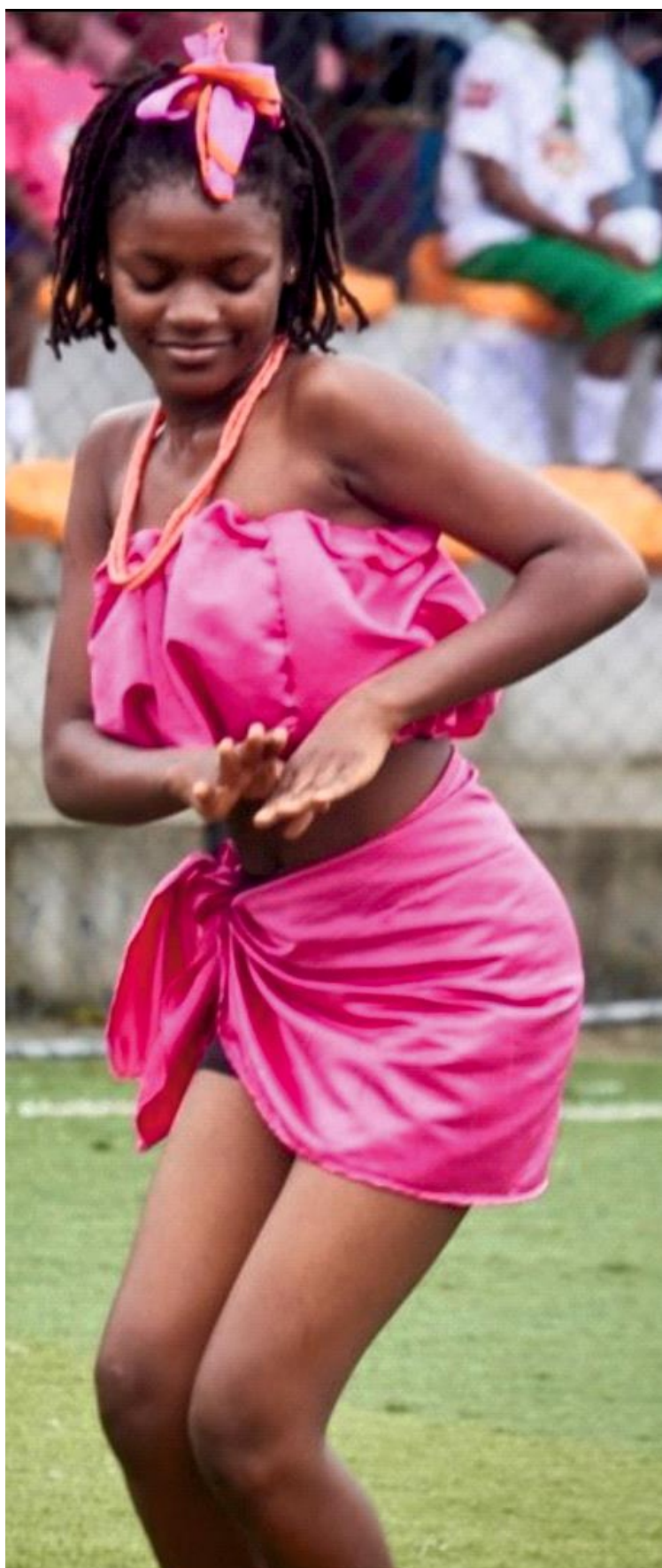
20 of our beneficiaries attended the September edition of LABAF program. They were privileged to participate in launching the new book "Mama, It Is A Girl" by Stella Damascus. The program featured book reading and question-and-answer sessions about the author and how the book came to be. Reading culture was encouraged, and books were given to help the people present start and maintain the culture.

On Friday 17th and Saturday 18th November, LABAF 'S 25 unbroken years of cultural celebration. Twenty-six (26) beneficiaries of the Foundation attended the second edition of the event for the year 2023 themed, 'The Reset: History on a Darkling Plain' which was used to mark the LABAF25 unbroken years of cultural celebrations. Sixteen (16) Foundation beneficiaries participated in various sessions on the first day of the program, with two winning a Spelling Bee competition. Notable events included sessions with actor Richard Mofe Damijo (RMD), reading with CATE (Children and their Environment), book presentations, mentorship by actress Ngozi Nwosu, and discussions around sex education.

RECREATIONAL

DANCE & GAME SESSIONS:

Eighteen sessions focused on Dance & Game activities to guide the pupils' social life. These sessions provided a platform for pupils to interact with their peers, fostering bonding and allowing them to exhibit their innate abilities. The overall goal was to enhance their social skills and promote a positive and engaging learning environment.





GAMES: CHESS/SCRABBLE

The Chess/Scrabble Training Program at the Ovie Brume Foundation Youth Centre transcends the realm of mere amusement, proving to be a powerful tool for the development of higher-order thinking skills. These skills encompass crucial aspects such as problem-solving, decision-making, critical thinking, strategic planning, and creative thinking. Over the years, the active participation of youth centre members in chess and Scrabble training sessions has unveiled a multitude of positive impacts. A total of 23 training sessions, accompanied by three friendly chess competitions, drew an average of 36 enthusiastic participants per session. The consistently high participation and the positive outcomes observed underscore the program's success in nurturing intellectual and strategic prowess among the youth centre members. This achievement aligns with the Foundation's commitment to holistic development and the cultivation of valuable life skills through engaging and intellectually stimulating activities.



CREATIVE ARTS PROGRAM

The Creative Arts Program has celebrated a year of remarkable achievement, offering twenty-eight sessions that enriched fifty beneficiaries' artistic skills through diverse activities, including art histories, Ankara bag weaving, basket making, paintings, pencil art, and Tie & Dye, resulting in enhanced abilities showcased in a spirited competition at the Foundation's End of Year Party, highlighting individual growth and the program's success in fostering creative expression and healthy competition.



DANCE AND DRAMA

The Dance and Drama Program conducted twenty-four sessions involving 65 Youth Centre members, transcending traditional dance and acting to become a transformative tool for building community, fostering courage, and unleashing creativity. The program provided a platform for beneficiaries to delve into specialized training, covering various areas of drama and dance, different types of performances, and essential aspects of acting, contributing significantly to their personal and artistic development.



TAEKWONDO

In the pursuit of physical fitness and self-defense skills, the Taekwondo Program achieved notable milestones with seventeen sessions conducted for 35 Youth Centre members. Six female students from the program showcased their training in a female Taekwondo competition, with two of them securing medals, highlighting the positive impact of the program in empowering participants both in skill development and competitive achievements.



ECO-CLUB:

The Eco-Club Program recorded significant achievements as 34 beneficiaries actively participated in eight sessions, gaining practical knowledge on environmental conservation to contribute to a safer world for humanity, vegetation, animals, and organisms. The impact assessment demonstrated a noteworthy 63% increase in knowledge among the participants, underscoring the program's success in fostering environmental awareness and encouraging responsible actions for a sustainable future.



SPECIAL PROGRAMS



A DAY AT THE CINEMA:

The Ovie Brume Foundation orchestrated a remarkable day at Ebony-Life Cinema in Victoria Island, providing beneficiaries with a transformative cinematic experience by screening the movie "CHARTROOM." This outing catalyzed discussions on resilience and the power of vocal expression, marking the first-ever cinematic encounter for many students and adding an exciting dimension to the event.



PARENT FORUM MEETING:

Parents are very crucial when it comes to some of the strategic decisions made in the Foundation and this is the major reason why the Foundation hosted the parents of our beneficiaries at our Parent Forum on the 8th of July. The 3-hour meeting was to familiarize our beneficiaries of the Foundation: what we do, our mission and vision, who the programs are for specifically and how they can come in as parents. 51 beneficiaries of the Foundation were represented by the parents who were present. The parents showed their gratitude and mentioned some of the beneficiaries who have now grown into better versions of themselves.

On the 18th of November, the Foundation hosted the 2nd edition of the Parent Forum with resounding success and greater attendance. The 3 hours meeting was to familiarize the parents of our beneficiaries with the foundation, what we do, our mission and vision who the programs are for, and how they can come in as parents. and they showed their gratitude to their foundation.

YOUTH FORUM:

The Foundation also had a youth forum for the third quarter. Our beneficiaries were able to give their reviews about the different programs and activities at the Youth Centre.

Comments were made on some of the programs that have had great impact on the Foundation's beneficiaries in the past few months.

An election was conducted to select a set of executives that will serve as an intermediary between our beneficiaries and the management. Nine (9) members of the Youth Centre were selected as the first set of leaders for the Youth Forum in Surulere.



The forum also serves as a stream to train our beneficiaries on how to give back to their communities. One of the first projects that was instituted by the body was an outreach to an Orphanage House in Shitta, Surulere (Heart of Gold, Hospice). Cleaning services were rendered to the Orphanage with the Foundation bearing the cost. Contribution was also made by the students to purchase gifts which were donated to the Orphanage

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT CORNER:

42 Youth Centre members benefited from our Skill Acquisition Program. The program featured classes in tie and dye, drawing, basket-ankara craft, chin-chin baking, peanut, and organic zobo production. These classes provided participants with practical knowledge and hands-on training. Following the completion of the classes, the students were engaged in assessments to evaluate their acquired knowledge.

A test was conducted to gauge their understanding and proficiency in the subjects taught during the sessions.

Additionally, the students were allowed to share their feedback and comments on the impact of the classes. The participants' comments revealed the significant impact of the program. They expressed appreciation for the practical skills they gained and highlighted the relevance of the classes in their personal and professional development.

Overall, the Skill Acquisition Program successfully delivered comprehensive training in chin-chin baking, peanut production, and organic zobo production. The students' assessments and positive feedback demonstrated the program's effectiveness in equipping them with valuable skills for their future endeavours.





EXCURSION TO VIJU INDUSTRIES LIMITED:

On April 27th, thirty-nine beneficiaries were taken on an enlightening excursion to Viju Industries Limited in Igbesa, Ogun state. Led by Mr. Rapheal, event and management manager, the tour delved into the meticulous production processes of Viju products, including milk, wheat, water, and cola.

The excursion showcased the marvels of modern technology in quality drink production, fostering an appreciation for efficiency in production and emphasizing the importance of quality control in the manufacturing process.



MEET THE PROFESSIONALS:

Nine sessions were held with 68 students focusing on career counseling, health promotion and skills acquisition:

FASHION DESIGNING CLASS:

Under the guidance of Mr. Oscar Balepo, a dedicated volunteer, the Ovie Brume Foundation organized five Fashion Designing classes. These sessions provided students with a comprehensive understanding of the fundamentals of fashion designing. Furthermore, students received valuable insights on how to effectively utilize social media platforms and leverage influencers to enhance their brand visibility and attract a wider customer base.

CAREER COUNSELING SESSION WITH MOBOLAJI AINA (Lagos) AND BARRISTER MOSES ODIBO (Delta):

Mobolaji Aina, a renowned lecturer from the Federal University in Oye Ekiti, conducted a career counseling session for 46 members of the Youth Centre. This session provided valuable guidance and insights to help our members make informed decisions about their future career paths. With his extensive knowledge and experience in career counseling, he engaged the participants in interactive discussions and activities focused on self-assessment, exploring various career options, and understanding the requirements and opportunities in different fields.

Barrister Moses Odibo's session was on leadership. He particularly addressed our Niger Delta Youth Centre scholarship awardees currently in their final year of secondary school where they have been given prefect responsibilities. He emphasized on the roles and attributes of leaders in society and in the school. He further gave the youths a list of attributes a leader must possess to become a great and remarkable leader, worthy of emulation. He charged the awardees to embrace these attitudes in their various schools and the prefect posts they have been assigned to lead.

GOAL SETTING AND SELF-DISCOVERY CLASS:

A special class was organized by Seyi Olawuyi, Head of Program, Ovie Brume Foundation on June 9th, to foster self-discovery among our beneficiaries. The primary objective of this session was to guide students in understanding their unique personality traits and assist them in aligning these traits with suitable career paths. To kick start the process, students were given a questionnaire to assess their personality. During the class, the facilitators guided the students through a thoughtful exploration of their strengths, interests, and values. By reflecting on their questionnaire responses, the students gained valuable insights into their personality types, which served as a foundation for self-discovery and goal-setting.

On 7th July, Dr Rita Jabin, (Health practitioner), educated the Youth Centre members on the right things to do, eat, and engage themselves in as they grow to become adults. The program was themed “maintaining a healthy lifestyle”.

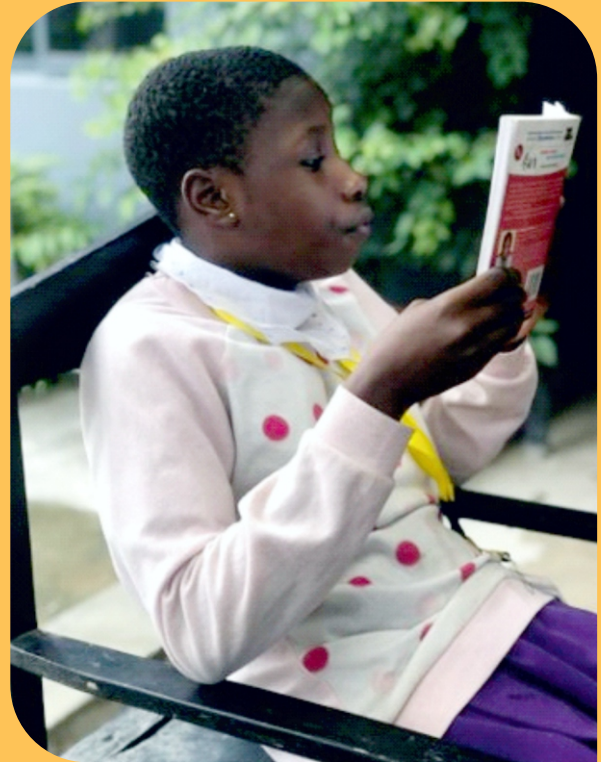
MEDICAL OUTREACH

The Foundation in partnership with Emzor Pharmaceutical Industries and Chike Okoli Foundation held a medical outreach on Saturday, 15th of July. The outreach aimed to provide essential healthcare services to over 200 underprivileged individuals and was open to the Foundation's beneficiaries, their parents, and community members. It encompassed various services, including cholesterol and blood sugar tests, blood pressure check, malaria treatment, de-worming, medical consultations, and counseling, with free medication provided to all beneficiaries. Testimonies from beneficiaries highlighted the importance of a balanced diet for overall well-being and preventing hypertension. Some pledged to adopt healthier eating habits, reduce sugar intake, and substitute vegetables and fruits for sugary foods.



2023 SUMMER PROGRAM:

A two-week-long program commenced with a Baseline assessment and concluded with an Endline assessment, showcasing remarkable progress and skills monetization. Beneficiaries engaged in skill acquisition classes based on their interests, including Fashion Designing, Leather Works, Catering, and Scented Candle & Fascinator Making.



Etiquette Class: Fostering essential life skills and manners.

Educational Tour to Badagry: A transformative trip exposing students to historical landmarks and cultural enrichment.

Impact Assessment: The initiative commenced with a Baseline assessment, where all participants underwent individualized assessments to ascertain their starting points. At the program's conclusion, an Endline assessment was administered, revealing remarkable progress and increased understanding among participants. Beneficiaries not only acquired new skills but also learned how to monetize them effectively. The teaching methodology employed facilitated assimilation and skill development.

Week One of Summer Camp (14th – 18th)

The week focused on skill acquisition sessions, with beneficiaries engaging in various skill classes, including Fashion Designing, Leather Works, Catering, and Scented Candle and Fascinator Making. Students were placed in their desired skills based on their interests.

Additionally, activities such as the Etiquette class, Icebreaker sessions, Movie screenings, Team bonding, Teamwork and Leadership Development, and discussions on mental health, self-care, and well-being enriched the program.



WEEK TWO (21ST – 25TH) – THE TRIP TO BADAGRY:

The second week of the summer program commenced with an educational tour to Badagry. The selection process for participants was based on attendance, parental consent, and participant conduct. Thirty-five (35) students were selected from Surulere, and fifteen (15) were chosen from the Victoria Island Centre. This educational tour exposed students to nature, educational enrichment, social skill development, resilience-building experiences, and empowerment. Key landmarks visited during the tour included the Vlekete Slave Market, Mobee Family Slave Relics Museum, Badagry Heritage Museum, Seriki Abass Slave Barracoon, and the Point of no Return, among others.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Throughout the week, various activities complemented the educational tour, including physical fitness sessions, campfire nights with storytelling and songs, camp-wide games and competitions, reflection and sharing circles to encourage open discussions and self-expression, art activities encompassing drawing and painting, and sports activities, including a football match involving students and staff, as well as volleyball for female students.

FISH FARMING TRAINING: Students had the opportunity to visit Sej Farm, the largest fish farm in Badagry, to gain practical and theoretical knowledge of fish farming and aqua culture. The training covered fish processing, hunting, artificial hatching, and farm hygiene practices. Students also participated in a fish hunting game, where they learned the hook and line method. The farm manager emphasized basic hygienic practices expected on the farm and explained artificial fish reproduction techniques.

EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO SEME BORDER AND SUNTAN BEACH RESORT: The educational tour continued with a visit to the Seme border, marking the boundary between Nigeria and Benin Republic. Subsequently, students enjoyed a day at the Suntan Beach Resort (Badagry Beach), engaging in various activities, including football, volleyball, and painting. The foundation received a valuable donation of fifteen books on "Fish Farming for kids" from Sejfarm



SOCIAL: SPECIAL DAYS COMMEMORATION



TEACHERS DAY 2023:

A total of twenty-three (23) teachers from various schools in Surulere gathered on October 6, 2023, to commemorate World Teachers Day. This program, conducted in collaboration with the American Corner centered around the theme "Empowering Educators in a Digital Age: Bridging the Global Teacher Gap for the Education of Tomorrow." Facilitated by Ms. Karamat Ajala, Director of American Corner Ibadan, the event introduced teachers to emerging tools to enhance their teaching methods and research capabilities. At the end of the program, each participating teacher received a certificate of participation.



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL CHILD:

The Foundation, in collaboration with the American Space at Victoria Island, hosted a significant celebration of the International Day of the Girl Child on October 14, 2023.

Themed "Invest in Girls' Rights: Our Leadership, Our Well-being," the event aimed to celebrate the Girl Child and educate parents about crucial considerations when interacting with their children, especially females. Dr. Bridget Taremotimi, a certified SGBV Trainer and HR Practitioner, expertly conveyed the theme's message, encouraging female students to believe in themselves and pursue their chosen paths without being deterred by obstacles.



INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY:

On Friday, September 8th, we commemorated the International Literacy Day. For our primary school pupils, the book, "Moona" by Georgina Duke was read and reviewed.

Ms Georgina Duke helped the kids develop a plot (A boy and an imaginary girl) to help them write their own story; she also taught them the role of a publishing company to a writer. For our secondary school students, the book "The Happy Little African Prince" by udene Nwanguaja (Demas Nwoko) was read to them.

Ms Georgina Duke also had a Q & A session with them and told them about the inspiration behind MOONA.

The session ended with the incredible generosity of Ms. Anastasia Malandrenia who shared backpacks and essential school supplies like books.



WORLD ENVIRONMENTAL DAY:

On June 7th, we celebrated World Environmental Day at the Foundation, dedicating the day to raising awareness and promoting environmental consciousness among our students. The event focused on educating participants about the significance of maintaining a serene environment and adopting practices that ensure the safety and well-being of humans and other living organisms. Our students learned about the importance of conserving natural resources, reducing pollution, and promoting sustainable practices.

The commemoration culminated in a hands-on session where the students actively participated in planting trees that provide numerous benefits to the environment.

This practical activity not only reinforced the importance of green spaces but also allowed the students to make a tangible contribution to their surroundings.



OVIE BRUME FOUNDATION 2023 CHILDREN'S DAY

On May 27, 2023, the Ovie Brume Foundation marked its first edition of the annual Children's Day celebration on the mainland of Lagos. The event featured a vibrant atmosphere adorned with balloons and ribbons, creating a visually appealing setting for students from various schools. With captivating presentations, including dance performances, a rap battle, and taekwondo demonstrations, the day was a resounding success, offering both participants and spectators a memorable experience.

The program had more than 1000 people in attendance.



WORLD WOMEN'S DAY

The Ovie Brume Foundation in partnership with the Chude and Ego Foundation together with Art Split commemorated the World Women's Day on the 8th of March, 2023 at one of her Beneficiaries school; Gbaja Girls Senior College. The session was majorly panel discussion which entails Female professional in their field sharing tips about their career paths. Different questions popped up during the Q & A Session. The "Girl Child" - the future Mothers of the nation- was also empowered on that day with the distribution of free sanitary pads: an important element of their menstrual hygiene.

OVIE BRUME FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT



The Ovie Brume Foundation Scholarship Award is a comprehensive initiative designed to foster educational development by providing full tuition scholarships to exceptional public primary school pupils from low-income households. The aim is to offer these students a high quality secondary education within a boarding school system, creating an enriching learning environment.

The scholarship covers all educational expenses, including fees, books, uniforms, access to healthcare, pocket money, and ensures protection from violence, exploitation, and abuse. The partnership with Still Earth Holdings PLC, operational at the Niger Delta Youth Centre (NDYC), has facilitated the successful implementation of the scholarship.

As of 2023, the program has expanded to include 48 beneficiaries, with an encouraging gender distribution of 28 females and 20 males.

These students are currently enrolled at Jesus Homiumm Salvator High School Orerokpe and Lumen Christi International College Issele-Uku/Agbor in Delta State. A thorough evaluation of the awardees demonstrates a remarkable enhancement in academic performance, learning ability, positive attitudes, and improved behavioral traits.

Noteworthy examples of the positive impact are exemplified by scholars such as Oghenetega Princess, Augustine Osemudiamé, Oteri Anioting, Adewale Opeyemi, and Lucky Ochuko, who have not only excelled academically but also received awards and sporting medals.

These individuals serve as compelling case studies, illustrating how the Ovie Brume Foundation Scholarship Award has elevated their academic and behavioral standing. Formerly performing at an average level, these students have now emerged as top performers in their respective classes, garnering recognition from school administrators and house supervisors. The scholarship has undeniably played a pivotal role in transforming the lives and educational trajectories of these young beneficiaries.

TOUR TO NANA LIVING MUSEUM



The Nana Living Museum Tour, organized by the Ovie Brume Foundation for its Niger Delta Youth Centre members, stands as a remarkable achievement in cultural education and heritage appreciation. Recognizing the profound significance of heritage in shaping our understanding of life, traditions, and society, the Foundation orchestrated this excursion to instill a deeper connection with cultural values among the youth.

The primary objective of the tour was to expose and educate the youth on the importance of cultural heritage, emphasizing the integral role that culture, artifacts, and history play in our daily lives. Heritage, being an inseparable part of our nature and tradition, contributes to emotional understanding, self-awareness, and an openness to new creative ideas.

Conducted at the Nana Living Heritage Museum in Koko community, Delta State, the tour served multiple purposes. Firstly, it became an integral part of the summer week experience for the youth, providing a rewarding and enriching activity. Secondly, it served as recognition and reward for academic excellence achieved during the 2022/2023 academic sessions. Lastly, the excursion also acknowledged and rewarded positive behaviors and active participation by youth Centre members.

In conclusion, the Nana Living Museum Tour accomplished its objectives by fostering a deeper appreciation for cultural heritage among the youth. This achievement aligns with the Foundation's commitment to holistic education and promoting cultural understanding among its beneficiaries.

PROJECT NO EXCUSES: ACHIEVEMENT AND IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT



Project No Excuses is a scholarship program designed to facilitate universal access to education. This initiative extends educational and social aid to students who harbor ambitions of attending school but encounter obstacles, such as financial limitations. By furnishing beneficiaries with health insurance, clothing, and nutritional aid, Project No Excuses mitigates these challenges and fosters educational opportunities for all.

In 2023, a total of thirty-one (31) beneficiaries received support from twenty-six (26) committed sponsors. In our ongoing efforts to expand access to quality education and personal development opportunities for underserved children, the Ovie Brume Foundation entered into a memorandum of understanding with Abolarin College, Osun State, in 2023. Eleven children from the Foundation are benefiting from tuition-free education at the school. Promotion and Academic.



PROMOTION AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:

We are delighted to celebrate the outstanding Academic achievements of Bolus Hagwala and Jimoh Hasa-bala, who achieved distinction in their Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE).

Their exceptional performance has led to their promotion to SS1, underscoring the tangible impact of Project No Excuses on the academic journey of our beneficiaries.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND RECOGNITION:

Usman Abubakar, a beneficiary at Kuramo Senior College, showcased remarkable skills in a web development and programming challenge organized by Taylorfieldtech in collaboration with Total Energy. Sponsored by Education District III, Usman competed alongside five other students and emerged as one of the top three performers. His exceptional performance earned him a brand-new HP Laptop with a Bluetooth mouse on November 1, 2023.

Usman designed a website, accessible at <http://kuramo-web.vercel.app>, demonstrating his proficiency in technology. Creative Engagement during Mid-term Break: During the mid-term break in October 2023

CREATIVE ENGAGEMENT DURING MID-TERM BREAK:

Students engaged in creative arts using Ankara material to embellish woven baskets. A total of twelve (12) aesthetically pleasing baskets were crafted, providing students with a platform for artistic expression.

The holistic impact of Project No Excuses is evident in the academic achievements, sponsorships, and educational opportunities provided to the youth involved. As we reflect on these accomplishments, we are inspired to uphold our unwavering commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of those we serve.

NIGER DELTA YOUTH CENTRE



Niger Delta Youth Centre has charted a remarkable journey, driven by an unwavering commitment to weave a tapestry of positive change in our community. Through dynamic Centre-based initiatives and impactful community outreach programs, we've directly touched the lives of more than 1873 individuals, leaving an indelible mark on the fabric of our society.

A warm welcome extended to 37 new members has enriched our community, while our enduring partnerships with the Bruce Onobrepkye Foundation, Emu Bakery, and Still Earth Holdings Plc continue to flourish.

Exciting new collaborations with Nana Living Museum Koko, Tolu Cakes, and Esther Computers have broadened our horizons, enabling us to reach even greater heights in

our mission. Significant highlights include expanding the reach of the Ovie Brume Foundation Scholarship Awards, integrating the Eco Earth Planting Club into our core programs, and embracing one primary school and one secondary school into our educational endeavors.

Our passion for skill development shines through the training of three young secondary school graduates in the dynamic field of ICT, nurturing five Youth Centre members in the Art of Mat Weaving, and guiding two budding talents in the world of Creative Art. These achievements stand as a testament to our holistic approach to community development, fueling our inspiration to persist in making a profound and meaningful difference in every life we touch.



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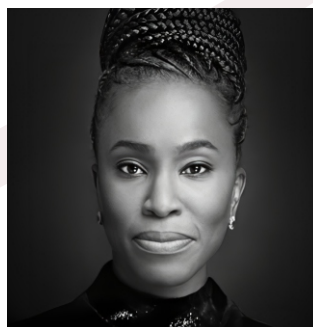
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A market holds monthly, every last Saturday.
23, Ikoyi Crescent, Ikoyi, Lagos.
11:00am - 5:00pm @ Ndali's Place.
Hand crafted items, Artisanal gifts
Organic food market and Art workshop for kids and teenagers.

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