2019 in Review

Dear Friend,

What an amazing year 2019 has been! From direct programme implementation activities affecting lives across our 88 adopted schools to partnerships improving learning outcomes, advocacy initiatives galvanizing support for improvement in basic education planning and delivery and employee volunteering, we have remained committed to strengthening our contributions to the basic education sub-sector in Nigeria.

We are deeply thankful for the support we have received, the recognition our work has garnered and the opportunities it has created.

We are pleased to share highlights of our journey with you:

Promoting Digital Literacy

The Foundation’s continued partnership with Sumitomo Chemical, a Japanese Chemical Company to bridge the digital gap and support ICT Education in public primary schools in Nigeria is yielding immeasurable results. Through the partnership, six solar powered ICT Centres have been established across six states – Kaduna, Niger, Plateau, Katsina, Taraba and Lagos; improving access to technology skills for 8,000+ pupils. Additional ICT and early child care centers will be completed in Maiduguri, Borno State next year.
Infrastructure Development

Our intervention is aimed at bridging the existing infrastructure gaps in public primary schools, and creating conducive learning environments for students to grow and thrive, support adopted schools with facilities required to meet learners’ needs (classrooms, furniture, boreholes, toilets, and wash bays), utilizing the Community Based Renovation Approach (CBRA) which is aimed at increasing community participation and ownership, empowering local artisans, and optimizing project costs. We completed various projects across adopted schools in Rivers, Plateau and Ogun States. These include construction and rehabilitation of classrooms, provision of furniture, motorized boreholes and wash bays to promote school sanitation, impacting the lives of over 4,200 beneficiaries.

Progressive Partnerships

We commenced partnership with the World Bank funded Community & Social Development Project (CSDP) in our school communities in Katsina and Adamawa States. This underscores our approach of recognizing each school as a crucible for multi-stakeholder partnerships. The intervention is focused on assisting underprivileged communities through the provision of support for social and infrastructure services, thus lifting economic barriers to education access.

“Through key programme interventions, we have directly impacted lives across our 88 adopted schools.”
Educate-A-Child (EAC) / Oando Foundation Project Close-Out

The Foundation consolidated its partnership with Education above all through the Educate-a-Child programme to increase access to quality and inclusive basic education for children across 23 states in Nigeria. The partnership aimed at leveraging our lessons in the implementation of the Adopt A- School initiative to scale.

Key Achievements

- **60,955 OOSC enrolled to date; with 77% cumulative retention rate achieved.**
- **Established 39 ICT Centers**, and donated educational software to support deployment of curriculum based lessons in adopted schools.
- **Constructed Classroom blocks, 118 toilets, 35 motorized boreholes and 26 wash bays** to support sanitation and hygiene needs across 49 adopted schools.
- **Enhanced the capacity of 2,832 teachers, 210 head teachers** in school management, modern pedagogical practices, and subject content knowledge; provided support for 1,731 SBMC members, 212 EMIS officers, and 170 school support officers.
- **Distributed over 10,000 teaching and learning materials in 88 adopted schools** to improve learning outcomes and **awarded scholarships to 248 students**, bringing total number of beneficiaries to 1,153.

2020 Beckons...

We are excited to launch into the decade of action and play our part in accelerating the achievement of the SDGs. We are optimistic about the New Year and the amazing opportunities it will yield towards the attainment of our strategic objectives as an organization. Sustainability is at the very core of our interventions at Oando Foundation and Education remains the most potent tool in our quest to transform lives. We are fully aware of the great task that lie ahead in transforming Nigeria’s public primary schools to modern citadels of learning. We will continue in our efforts to design and implement multi-dimensional education interventions that will support our government and school communities realize Sustainable Development Goal 4.

Walk with us in 2020 to raise the bar and build a brighter future for the Nigerian child.

Thank you for your continued support of Oando Foundation.

Happy New Year!

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