

ABOUT US



BrainyKid Foundation

... Contributing to a brighter future

BrainyKid Education Foundation

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Our Mission

BrainyKid Education Foundation is committed to educating every Nigerian child through sponsorship and the provision of adequate books and learning aid materials. BrainyKid Education Foundation will secure funding and purchase/produce learning aid materials to provide quality learning for kids especially the less privileged ones.

Our Vision

A Nigeria where every child will have access to quality education with adequate books and learning materials and also having equal opportunities as others.

Our Values

The Foundation operates with the following core values:

Informed and responsive to needs
Partnership
Government participation
Accountability to Donors
Encourages innovation
Promote philanthropy in Nigeria

What we do

In Nigeria, over 10 Million Nigerian children between the ages of 6 and 14 are out of school. Out of this number, 52% of them had dropped out of Primary school because of cost related factors even though education is nominally free.

Sponsoring or providing books and learning materials to a child means giving a talented child the chance to reach their full potential, and lift themselves, their families and their communities out of poverty.

Education is and always will be very important in building a strong foundation in one's life. This is especially true in terms of looking at our future generation. We want our kids to be educated, to be up to date with current issues, and able to provide knowledge to the next generation. Education is a strong building block in building a stronger and healthier nation.

This starts by putting an emphasis on the importance of education in our kids today. As a nation and as individuals, it is our obligation to help a child develop their identity and be a contributing factor to society. We must refocus on the idea that a child is the center of our community.

A child doesn't have to be only our biological child but every child that has been born in this generation. We all have a duty to play in educating a boy or girl child. It's obvious that fingers are not equal and being our brothers' keeper goes beyond the people we are related to by blood.

Many kids are helpless and require a divine intervention to be educated. All they require are books and learning materials as government do offer free education and some local/rural private schools offer daily or weekly school fees payment. Many parents could afford the daily/weekly fees but can't afford the books and learning materials. No child can have a proper education without learning materials.

As a nation and individuals, we must provide protection, security, knowledge, and most importantly good values. If we can help kids to get proper education, this will help in developing, not only a stronger and healthier nation, but a safer one as well.

When considering the shaping of our future generations, we must examine or take a critical look at generations back and generations ahead. It is important to respect our past in terms of how we were educated and how we can help to ensure that our future is growing as well. It is important to stress these values and to create a path for future generations to follow.

A key factor in maintaining these values, again, is education. As a nation and individuals, we want to see our children grow into strong leaders to develop and nurture our nation further. Education is vital to the development of our children and the nation. However, there are many barriers that limit access to education, such as: the cost to pursue, availability of financial resources, literacy for application processes for these resources, lack of trust in the benefits of resources, lack of stability, as well as many others. This is where we, BrainyKid Education Foundation, come in.

Situated in Lagos, Nigeria, one of our many areas of focus is the need and importance of education for children and families. With a child-centered philosophy, we are developing methods to help kids with books and learning materials and also to organize training for local teachers among others.

By looking at all of the present barriers, The BrainyKid Education Foundation is narrowing the scope on these issues to help with the donation of books and learning aid materials to kids in various schools. We will also be involved in sponsoring children.

Focus Area

Educating the Nigerian child through the supply of books and learning aid materials. We will also be involved in sponsoring the education of children.

OUR MESSAGE

By investing in the Nigerian Child, you are investing in Nigeria's future. Support a child's interest in education! You can help us make a difference. The Education Foundation provides an opportunity for everyone to contribute to the education of every child and also to make them become successful citizens and leaders for the future. We welcome donations from individuals, corporations/companies, religious organizations, associations and NGO's. Every kobo, regardless of the amount, is appreciated and recognized as an investment in a Nigerian Child.

HOW You Can Help

Please consider supporting the Education Foundation's mission by contributing in one or more of the following ways:

Volunteer

Sponsor

Donor

Pledges

Partner

Annual Children Celebration Sponsorship and Attendance

ADOPT-A-SCHOOL INITIATIVE

Brainy Kid Foundation is addressing issues of universality, equity, quality education and supporting infrastructural development through its Adopt-A-School Initiative (AASI). AASI core components focus on increasing access and improving the overall quality of public primary schools in Nigeria, with a focus on the girl child in northern states.

Board of Trustees

Chief Mrs. Olutoyin Olakunri (OFR)

Chief Mrs. Olutoyin Olakunri was born on the 4th November, 1937 in Lagos and had her primary education in Nigeria, but completed her secondary & tertiary education in England.

She qualified as a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England & Wales in February 1963, and was the first female Chartered Accountant in Africa. She was a foundation member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN) when it was chartered in 1965 and was President of the Institute in 1993/1994. Fellow of the Institute of Directors UK and Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales

In 1991-1993 she was the President, and the first female President of the Institute of Directors (Nigeria) being an arm of the prestigious Institute of Directors UK – a body which sets standards and monitors the practice of corporate management worldwide.

She is an industrialist and has represented Nigeria in many fora. She was a Director of Nigeria Liquefied Natural Gas (NLNG) for 8 years (1989-97). First female member of the Nigerian Stock Exchange and a pioneer staff of the Nigeria Industrial Development Bank (NIDB) now Bank of Industry (BOI). One time Chairman of the Lagos State Transport Company Limited and the Lagos State Ferry Service Limited

She was:

Executive Director of ICON Stockbrokers Limited - 1967-1972

Managing Director, CTB Stockbrokers Limited - 1976-1979

Managing Director, Diamond Plastics Limited - 1975-1994

Chairman of Education Trust Fund (ETF) now Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFUND) for 8 years.

National Treasurer, Chemical and Non-Metallic Employers Federation

Member, Manufacturers Association of Nigeria

Member of the Electoral Reform Committee 2007-2008

She has received many Awards and Recognitions throughout the country for services to the country, to her state and the Accountancy and Education sectors. Amongst these are:

Officer of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (OFR) in 2002

Ogun State Government Award 1988 – A Distinguished citizen of Ogun State

Yaba College of Technology - For distinguished and meritorious services to the Nation on the occasion of the 40th Anniversary of the College in November, 1988

Doctor of Business Administration by the University of Ado-Ekiti in 2004

Fellow of the Oyo State College of Education in 2005

Fellow of the Lagos State Polytechnic in 2005

Director of Science by the Lagos State University (LASU) IN 2007

Honoris Causa of the University of Nigeria, Nzukka in 2008

She also has these chieftaincy titles:

Bobaseye of Ijebuland

Adegorike of Ijebu-Owo, Ondo State

Otunba Omoba Ola-efon, Owu-Ijebu

Otunba Mooge of Gbagura, Abeokuta

Iyalode of Ijero Ekiti

She is married with children and grandchildren



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Mr. Khetshi A. Mange



Mr. Khetshi A. Mange is an Operations Executive with a demonstrated record of exceeding profitability goals, turn around underperforming units and driving increased revenues and also a market share High-energy leader experienced in leading multi-unit Healthcare centers with up to Seven locations across Nigeria.

He Exceled in revenue growth financial management, brand positioning and driving operational excellence and championing a strong focus on customer satisfaction and loyalty. He is a graduate of Biology from Mumbai University, Mumbai, India. He is presently the CEO of Nucleus Diagnostics.

Dr. (Mrs) Gloria Aderonke Soetan



Dr. (Mrs) Gloria Aderonke Soetan was born in Lagos on the 18th of September 1947. She attended Tinubu Methodist School for her primary education and proceeded to Methodist Girls High School Yaba & Queen's College Yaba for her secondary education.

She attended the College of Medicine, University of Lagos from where she graduated as a medical doctor.

She worked at the General Hospital, Lagos and also at the Ministry of Defense as a Medical Officer in Military Hospital, Yaba, Nigerian Army School of Signal MRS, and Military Hospital Lagos Army Eye Centre from where she retired 10 years ago.

She established Gloria's Medi-Care, a neighborhood Clinic some years ago.

She is married to Arc Chief Anthony M. Soetan and they are blessed with children and grandchildren.

Mr. Bunmi Elesho

Born on the 11th of July 1966, Mr. Bunmi Elesho, an experienced and seasoned developer with vast experience in property development and management, manages Allied Assets Limited. He was involved in the development of Ocean Bay Estate in Lekki axis of Lagos by Legacy Homes. He has also been involved in other development around Lagos state.

He is a chartered accountant with a rich experience profile spanning over twenty five years of professional application. He won national prizes at all 3 stages of the ICAN examinations in a record 18 months period.

After accounting professional training in an audit and accountancy firm, he moved into group financial and internal control with Inlaks Group, a multi-national group spanning IT, Import/Export, Aluminum, Food Technology, etc.

He had an overview of banking as Citizens Bank's Internal Controller as well as Operations Manager of Haggai Bank Inc.

Information Technology and Management exposure was developed as the Group Financial Controller of the accredited Nigerian representative of world leaders such as Compaq, Hewlett Packard, American Power Conversion, etc. He moved this company from negative income, through a reordering of processes, improved funding and relationship management, product margins and order volume/cycle management, to significant profits within a year.

A stint with Capital Alliance, Nigeria's first private equity firm with a commitment fund of \$35mln, with investors including IFC (a member of the World Bank Group) provided him with insight into investment management and profit optimization.

He was a director of Newtel Limited (a telecommunications company), Africa Development Corporation (an emerging Hedge Fund), Legacy Holdings Limited, Oceanic Health Limited, among others.

He is currently the MD/CEO of Alpha Partners Limited.

Dr. Oni Bamikole Fagbohunge



Dr. Oni Bamikole Fagbohunge Born on the 2nd of April 1952, Dr. Oni Bamikole Fagbohunge a seasoned lecturer who has lectured both on Part time and full time basis at the following tertiary institutions: Lagos State Polytechnic, Lagos State University, University of Lagos, University of Ibadan, University of Technology, Akure, Ondo State University, Yaba College of Technology, University of Calabar, etc

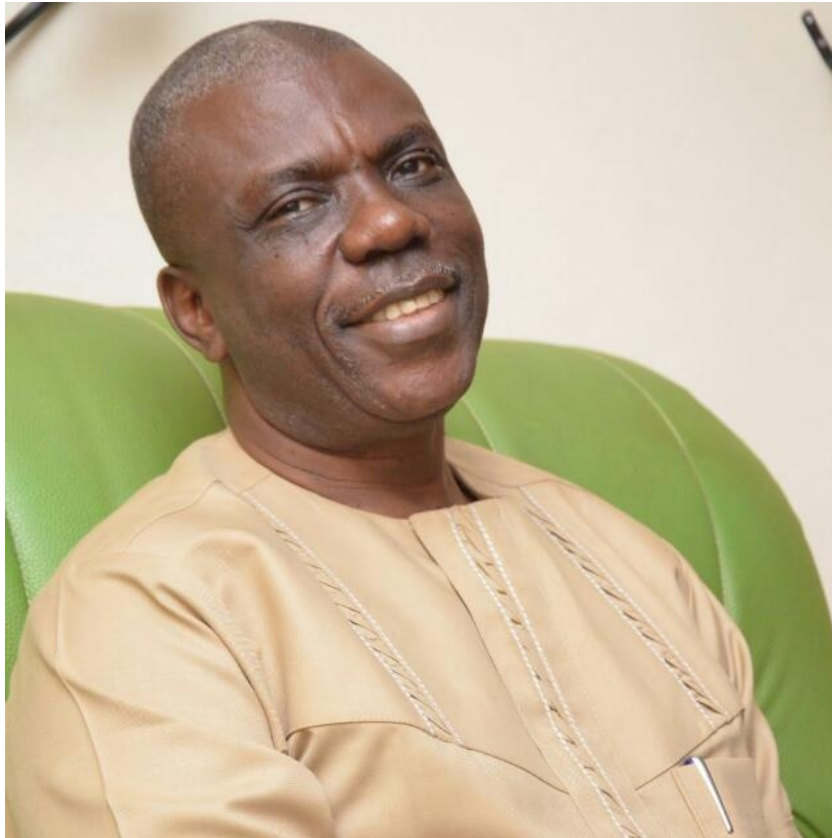
He had his MSc in Industrial Psychology from the University of Lagos and his PhD in Industrial Organizational Psychology from the University of Ibadan.

Dr. Oni Bamikole Fagbohunge has published so many books and has also written so many journals and publications.

He is a Member, Nigerian Psychological Association; Member, African Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues; Affiliate Member, Institute of Personnel Management of Nigerian; Fellow, Institute of Corporate and Business Affairs Management; Member, Nigerian Institute of Management; Associate Member, Nigerian Institute for Training and Development; Fellow, Institute of Security of Nigeria etc.

He is currently a Senior lecturer at the University of Lagos

Engr. Uma Agbai Olugu



Born on the 15th of October 1955, Engr Uma Agbai Olugu is a seasoned structural engineer with vast experience in structural designs with many years of experience. He was involved in the construction of sewerage system for Oke Afa Low Cost Housing Estate, Lagos State, Design and Supervision of General Studies Building of University of Nigeria, Nsuka and also design and construction of Nigeria Wire and Cable Co. Ltd Ibadan among many other companies.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of the following companies; CPEC Ltd, Complete Projects Eng. Consortium Ltd, Kaeler Technical Services Ltd, Swiss Plastotech Engineering (Nig) Ltd, Manufacturing Dynamics Ltd among others.

Engr Uma Agbai Olugu is a Fellow, Nigerian Society of Engineers, Associate Member, Nigerian Institute of Management and also a Fellow, Nigerian Institution of Structural Engineers.

He is presently the CEO of Complete Projects Engineering Consortium Ltd.

Mrs. Patience Lum Mafe



Born on the 19th of August, 1975, Mrs. Patience Lum Mafe is the Office Manager at the Nigeria office (a member of the Sub – Saharan Africa team) of The Abraaj Group. Prior to joining Abraaj, Mrs Mafe was at Actis for 13 years. She has 16 years' experience as an Administrative Executive in the Private Equity Industry with a total of 20+ years' experience as an administrative, human resources, logistics, procurement and facility executive with early professional services career built up with indigenous companies including Adgroup and Alarm Center.

She is a motivational speaker, an inspirational team leader with collaborative and facilitative style. Reporting at senior level with experience. She holds a Higher National Diploma with professional training in Private Equity, Personal Productivity, Finance, Time Management etc. within Nigeria, London and South Africa.

Mr Yemi Charles Odubela (CP Rtd)