

EMPOWER 500 BOYS & GIRLS IN NIGERIA

Theme: EMPOWERING DISABLED TO LIVE HEALTH, FULFILLED AND PRODUCTIVE LIVES



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Introduction:

There are more than 25 million Nigerians with one form disability. 3.6 million of these have very significant difficulties in functioning. 2.32% of the total population have disability. This project will provide a one-stop multi-disciplinary response by providing counselling and guidance, Vocational Training, micro-Credit, school enrolment, handicap equipment and medical care for 500 disabled boys and girls- leading to their empowerment and attitudinal change of community members towards them

Aims & Objectives:

To invest in young people and ensure that young persons with disabilities have the opportunities, knowledge, and skills they need to live healthy, fulfilled and productive lives

Justification:

Physical, social, and legal barriers continue to limit disable people in Nigeria access to education, health care including sexual and reproductive health (SRH), employment, leisure activities, and family life for millions of persons with disabilities in Nigeria. Thus this project will empower 500 Physically Challenged Girls in Nigeria, providing counselling and guidance services, skills Acquisition/Vocational Training, micro-Credit, school enrolment, handicap equipment and medical support.

Disabled Nigerians encounter “a plethora of attitudinal, institutional and environmental barriers that impede and militate against their active social inclusion within the society.” 25 million Nigerians have at least one disability, while 3.6 million of these have very significant difficulties in functioning. 2.32% of the total population have disability.

It is both shocking and upsetting that despite the high number of disabled Nigerians, there is very little – almost no support for them; they are often excluded from social, economic and political matters. In Nigeria, disabled people are commonly perceived as being “dependent, helpless and in need of charity.” And with no standard support structure in place, getting educated is extremely difficult, while the educated find it impossible to obtain long-term, sustainable employment or vocational training so that they can have small businesses.

Target Audience:

Disable young girls in Nigeria between the ages of 8-30 years old faced with form of disability

Activities:

Empowerment of 500 physically Challenged Boys and Girls in the following areas:

- Counselling and guidance services

- Skills Acquisition/Vocational Training
- Micro-Credit
- School enrolment
- Handicap equipment
- Medical support
- Set-up of Rehabilitation Centre

Benefits to Disable Persons:

The chosen disabled boys and girls will benefit from the counselling and guidance services for those with psychological disabilities. Some of them will undergo skills Acquisition/Vocational Training and then after they will be given micro-Credit for them to start-up small business.

Those that are interested and qualified to go to school will be assisted to go school. They will be enrolled and the necessary schooling needs such as books, uniform, etc will be bought for them. Handicap equipment will be purchased and given to some of them like artificial hands, legs; etc that will enable them to live a productive life will be given to some of them including Clinical Support for those that need urgent medical care.

Budget:

| S/NO | Activities | Quantity | Unit Cost \$ | Amount \$ |
|-------------|---|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Counselling and Guidance physically disabled boy or girl | 100 | 10 | 1000 |
| 2 | Production of information leaflet for outreach programs | 2000 | 25 | 100 |
| 3 | Advocacy visit to relevant stake-holders involve with disable persons | 5 | 50 | 250 |
| 4 | Enrolment of physically disabled boy or girl in Schools | 100 | 100 | 10,000 |
| 5 | Skills Acquisition/Vocational | 40 | 200 | 8,000 |

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| | Training for selected physically disabled boys and girls | | | |
| 6 | Micro-Credit to start-up small businesses for physically disabled boys and girls in targeted communities | 100 | 500 | 5000 |
| 7 | Medical care for physically disabled boys and girls that have urgent medical treatment | 100 | 600 | 6000 |
| 8 | Build a rehabilitation centre to cater for Disabled boys and girls needs/empowerment | | 3000 | 3000 |
| 9 | Total | | | 33,350 |