



THE SHOLA ADEFOLALU GASKA FOUNDATION

(AKA THE SHOLLY SMILE FACTORY)

ANNUAL REPORT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR 2024 & 2025 WORK PLAN

Dear Friend of the Shola Adefolalu Gaska Foundation

Happy New Year!

As we step into 2025, I'm thrilled to share highlights from our Q4 2024 along with a visual that presents our 2024 impact on a page. I hope you are inspired by all YOU partnered with us to achieve. Thanks to your **unwavering support**, we made a tangible difference in the lives of:

- Martina and 24 other beneficiaries of our ALiVE Scholarship Scheme.
- Mrs. Ranti, our Cancer Warrior and 31 individuals who received financial assistance for urgent medical needs.
- Mrs. Oyedeji, a widow and 70 others who were empowered via various financial interventions
- 118 vulnerable families across Nigeria who received Sholly Food Care Packages
- 23 domestic and sexual abuse survivors who were cared for at the Sholly Serenity Place.

How can I ever thank you for standing with us to touch all these lives? While words are not enough, you will read some of the words from three of our beneficiaries the Testimonial slide in this pack. Every word of appreciation you read is to you as well.

2025 is here and it is my prayer that you will continue to support us (and even invite others). As you do so, I know that my PapaGod will richly reward you and your generations! In Jesus name. Amen!

May 2025 be your best year ever!

Salt Essien-Nelson



THE SHOLA ADEFOLALU GASKA FOUNDATION

N46M

**Total Expenditure for 2024
(i.e. Cost of running TSSP
and funding all other
TSAG GodErrands)**

25 ALiVe Academic
scholarships
disbursed (N9.0M)

32
Families benefited
from our financial
assistance for medical
needs
(N3.5M)



71
Individuals financially
empowered
(N4.5M)

90
Financial Donors

118

**Families benefitted from
the Sholly Food Care
Package Scheme
(N4.2M)**

23 new
Residents taken
care of at TSSP

Partnered With **12**
NGOS to touch lives

Footprint of Impact across

9 states: Lagos, FCT, Ekiti,
Akwa-Ibom, Cross Rivers,
Bayelsa, Kwara, Enugu, Ogun &
Anambra

THE SHOLLY SMILE FACTORY'S 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

1. The Adefolalu Love is A Verb (ALiVE) initiative was launched in May to honor the memory of deceased Adefolalu family members, including Daniel Oladele, Monisola Ramotu, Adeyanju Joseph, and Fumilola Sherifat. Its aim is to touch the lives of vulnerable women and families across Nigeria.

This social safety net programme provides beneficiaries with a monthly stipend of ₦25,000 for 12 months. Initially, 16 beneficiaries from four states (Lagos, Ekiti, Akwa-Ibom, and Cross-Rivers) were supported. **However, by December, the programme had expanded to 25 beneficiaries from eight states across Nigeria at a total cost of N625,000.00 a month.**

It always gladdens our hearts to hear from the beneficiaries about how this initiative has positively affected their lives, especially during these challenging times. We plan to expand our reach to more states as God enables us.



THE SHOLLY SMILE FACTORY'S 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

2. Inauguration of the Professor Daniel Oladele Adefolalu Prizes.

The Shola Adefolalu Gaska Foundation proudly announced the inaugural recipients of the Professor Daniel Oladele Adefolalu Prizes: Ebunoluwa Omosalewa Olusanya and Odieli Osita.

Ebunoluwa was recognized as the Best Student in Geography (SSS 3), and Odieli, was awarded the prize for Best Student in National Values Education (JSS 3). They are both exceptional students from Queen's College, Lagos. These prestigious awards were established in honor of the late Professor Daniel Oladele Adefolalu and presented in collaboration with the QCOG 84 set.

The awards are particularly meaningful to the foundation, as our Chief Errand Girl, Salt (Abimbola) Essien-Nelson, is a proud alumna of Queen's College Lagos. This initiative serves as a tribute to Professor Adefolalu's legacy and his commitment to education.



THE SHOLLY SMILE FACTORY'S 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

3. With your help, Ranti continues to beat Cancer

You might recall Rant from our Q2 2024 report. She is our TSSP mom battling with cancer. After 4 months of good health, Ranti experienced a re-occurrence of the cancer in her chest area and had to go through additional tests and radiation.

Thanks to partners like you, we were able to stand by the family covering the payments for all the needed tests as well as the **N850,000.00** fee for the radiation sessions needed.

She has since concluded the sessions and is doing fine. We hope to get the post radiation results in the early weeks of January 2025.

Please uphold her and her family in your prayers. For as long as she needs us, we intend to stand by this young mom of 2 children under 7 years old until she steps into her inheritance in Christ of complete wholeness!



**NOW.
Hallelujah!**



THE SHOLLY SMILE'S FACTORY 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

4. In 2024, **118** Sholly Food Care Packages were given out to families across 9 states of Nigeria. **Each Package includes a bag of rice, beans, garri and a jerrican of vegetable oi.** Below are posters from some of the months. For some states, we sent funds and asked the women to buy the food stuffs themselves so those are not pictured below.



THE SHOLLY SMILE FACTORY'S 2024 HIGHLIGHTS



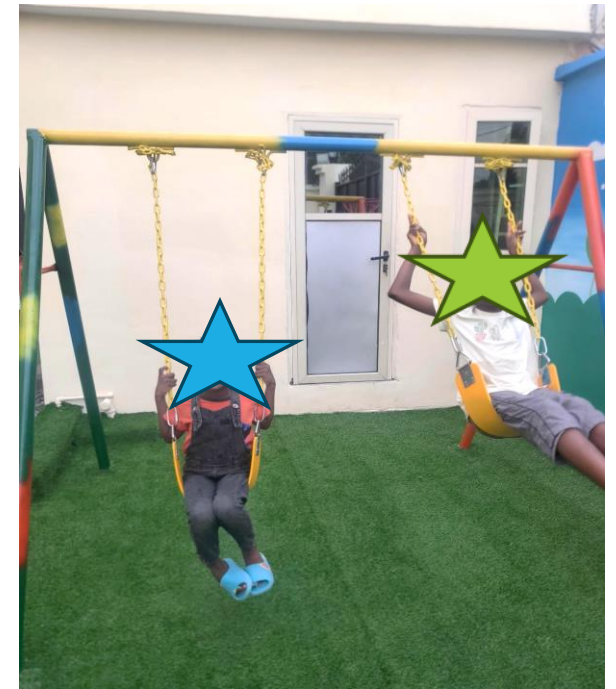
5. The Sholly Serenity Place Compound Renovation

This year, we were able to transform our Sholly Serenity Place compound such that, it is now not just safer for the children but more inviting, fun and peaceful all at once.

As the photos show, our new compound now features a soft astro-turf play area with swings and a colorful seating area.

What was previously a concrete jungle is now safer and more child friendly.

I promise you; our children (and moms) are very happy with this new space!



THE SHOLLY SMILE FACTORY'S 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

6. Knowledge Shared; Futures Shaped!

We were thrilled to host the **Cece Yara Child Advocacy Centre** team at the Sholly Serenity Place in Q3 2024.

As a follow-on to sessions organized by the school our children attend, we invited the team to come give additional talks to our children about sex education and body awareness.

Their expert insights and engaging approach made for a valuable and enjoyable learning experience.

We're grateful for the impact of their visit!



THE SHOLLY SMILE FACTORY'S 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

7. US-based Sistas with a Mission visit TSSP again!

Christmas came early for us this year thanks to our dear Sisters with a Mission's December visit.

They were represented by Sister Amania and two other lovely ladies and AGAIN, all the way from the United States of America, they brought us a suitcase load of goodies and made a cash donation of N350\$!!!

We are so grateful for these women and it is our prayer that God will bless each of them with their heart's desires.



OUR TESTIMONIALS, YOUR TESTIMONIALS

From a Former TSSP Resident

“You were the highlight of our 2024-you and Sholly’s. You felt my greatest fear and stretched out your loving arms to my children and I and changed our lives.

It's as though since we left, every routine we've created as a unit, we've unconsciously modelled after the pattern in Sholly's. Yes, it felt like an uncomfortable change at first, but all we see now is the beauty and discipline it offers.

And for some reason, everyone we've met, we've unconsciously judged by your qualities. I hear them say, "Grandma Salt would've done this or said that. I miss her so much." I'm grateful for all that. “

From 18-year-old Ireti, a former TSSP Resident

“My coming into TSSP was an unexpected one. But I can boldly testify that I am super excited to have experienced the wonderful and nice things there....Initially, my mom had already paid for my flight ticket, but unfortunately the flight failed. So mum could not make or pay for another flight because of the increase in price. And guess what my dearest reader, I got full support from TSSP which was financial, physical and spiritual all together.

Today, this girl who was separated from her mom for over 12 years could finally meet up with her mum again all because of the financial support of TSSP. My daily prayer from the day I got to know the function of TSSP has been, abundant blessings of the Lord upon all those who have been a backbone to The Sholly Serenity Place. A promise that I am making is that I shall one day be one of the supporters and sponsors of this SAFE HOME.”

From Ranti’, our Cancer Warrior’s Husband

“..... I want to thank you for your prayers, care, financial, materials and moral support, motherly love in my life and my family life. You stood by me in thick wilderness despite the fact that you don't know me from any where in 2024... you took me as your son not just a son but like your biological son and same with my children and my wife , Ranti. You show us the true meaning and definition of love...Thanks for all you do for us ma.”

OUR TESTIMONIALS, YOUR TESTIMONIALS

From a beneficiary of the Adefolalu Love is a Verb (ALIVE) Initiative

“I am a recipient of the ALiVE social safety payment for 2024. I want to say a massive thank you to you and your team. God bless you immensely.

These monthly seeds have been a channel of salvation and a blessing to me and my family.

Mid 2023, my family experienced a financial crisis, that cost us our accommodation,, kept the children away from formal school and left us in debt. We lost our sources of income. We were grounded.

The story is long but then came, my sister, Iyinoluwa Onduru asking, if I wouldn't mind being a recipient. How would I mind as this was going to be my family's consistent stream of income for months.

I just want to say that this initiative saved my life and that of my family. It always came just at the right time. Just always when I need God to show up. As much as it was consistent and we could look forward to it, it always came when we needed it.

Thank you so much Ma. I can not thank you enough. Thank you for heeding God's call. Thank you for being a blessing to the needy, thank you for representing God's love, not just in words but in action. If ever, I needed proof that God sees us and cares, it was these monthly provisions. It has not just been a blessing to me and my family but also to God's work...

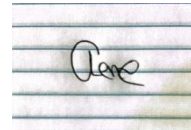


2024 TOTAL EXPENDITURE DECLARATION

I confirm that, in 2024, our total operating expenses totaled:

N46, 355, 613.00 (forty-six million, three hundred and fifty-five thousand, six hundred and thirteen only) as captured below.

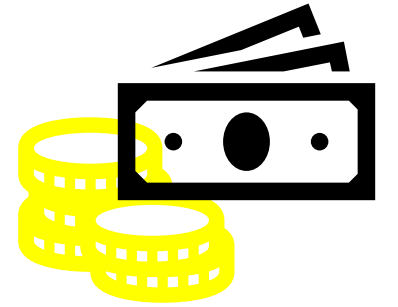
Name: Abimbola (Salt) Essien-Nelson



Signature:

Date: December 31, 2024

2024 EXPENSES AND INCOME		
1	TSAG Salaries	3,270,000.00
2	TSSP Provisions	2,673,750.00
3	TSSP Catering Expenses	6,129,280.00
4	TSSP Medical and Health	270,465.00
5	ALiVE Education	2,623,900.00
6	TSSP Fuel and Transport	269,000.00
7	TSSP Generator Maintenance	52,650.00
8	NEPA Credit and Internet	480,000.00
9	TSSP Home Rent and Maintenance	5,336,800.00
10	Sholly Acts of Kindness Seeds	13,732,928.00
11	Sholly Food Care Packages	4,254,510.00
12	TSSP Resident Rehabilitation	1,396,700.00
13	ALiVE Initiative	5,130,000.00
14	Partnership with other NGOs	735,630.00
Total Expenditure for TSAG 2024		46,355,613.00



ANNUAL SOURCE OF FUNDS & TOTAL INCOME DECLARATION

I confirm that, in 2024, the activities of the Foundation were funded by:

1. 10% of TSSF's Chairman's monthly income (Chairman)
2. Donations and Contributions from members of the public.
3. In 2024, income into our accounts totaled: N 29,506,140.83

Signed:

Name: Abimbola (Salt) Essien-Nelson

Signature:

Date: December 31, 2024

THE SHOLLY SMILE FACTORY **2024** WORK PLAN TARGET VS ACTUAL

Resident Empowerment

❑ In 2024, TSSF aims to continue the Primary School Education of our 2 young children AND enroll 3 more children in school. **ACHIEVED** We now have 5 children enrolled in school.

❑ Equip at least 2 residents with life/entrepreneurial skills before they move on. **50% ACHIEVED.** One resident has concluded her sewing and fashion design course and is now an Apprentice in Training for 6 months.

Fight Food Poverty

❑ Give out at least 120 Sholly Covid-19 Care Packages i.e. at least 10 a month funds permitting. **99% ACHIEVED. We gave out a total of 118 care packages in 2024**

Funding/Administration

In 2024, TSSF will be seeking:

1. At least 5 corporate and 5 new Individual Financial Sponsors (on a recurring basis). **NOT ACHIEVED. Although donor base did grow significantly.**

2. We will also attempt to digitize our resident intake process and filing system. **NOT ACHIEVED**

Touching Lives, Creating Smiles

In 2024, TSSF aims to provide financial support for education or medical related needs for at least 10 families. **ACHIEVED. We gave out medical-related grants to 32 individuals and 25 Academic Scholarships.**

The Foundation will also seek to host at least two #ShollyCare events. **NOT ACHIEVED.**

THE SHOLLY SMILE FACTORY **2025** WORK PLAN

Education

- ❑ In 2025, TSSF aims to continue the Primary School Education of our 5 young children AND enroll 1 more child in secondary school.

Team & Resident Empowerment

- ❑ Equip at least 2 residents with life/entrepreneurial skills before they move on.
- ❑ Send TSAG Team Members for Fit for Purpose Professional Development Courses

Fight Food Poverty

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2. We will also attempt to digitize our resident intake process and filing system.

Touching Lives, Creating Smiles

In 2025, TSSF aims to provide financial support for education or medical related needs for at least 15 families.

The ALiVe Initiative will expand to at least 5 more states bringing number of women to receive N25,000 a month from 25 to 30.

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Should you require additional information on the various ways you can support us (as it is not just via cash donations alone), please contact us via theshollysmilefactory@gmail.com

Or you can call us on 0810 796 7992.





THE SHOLA ADEFOLALU GASKA FOUNDATION: WHO WE ARE



The Shola Adefolalu Gaska Foundation aka The Sholly Smile Factory is a nonprofit organisation set up to bring smiles to the faces of people in need (especially women and children) by providing financial, emotional and spiritual support.

The Sholly Smile Factory was birthed from a place of deep pain. The loss of my dear sister – Oluwashola Adefolalu Gaska. In helping others, I am finding healing. Thanks to the errands God is sending us, Sholly is no longer remembered for the horrible story of her death because we are creating a new, beautiful story from her death. One that touches lives. One that re-create smiles, like the ones Sholly is famous for.

In 2021, June 12, 2021, The Foundation opened the doors to its Shelter: The Sholly Serenity Place aka Sholly's Safe Home. Sholly's Safe Home is a Jesus Christ-Centric Safe Haven and an Oasis of Serenity for vulnerable women and their children. To date, we have lovingly taken care of 45 residents (women and children).

In May 2024, we launched the Adefolalu Love is A Verb (ALiVE) initiative to honor the memory of Adefolalu family members, including Daniel Oladele, Monisola Ramotu, Adeyanju Joseph, and Fumilola Sherifat. ALiVe is touching the lives of vulnerable women and families across Nigeria by providing a monthly stipend of ₦25,000 for a period of 12 months.

THE SHOLA ADEFOLALU GASKA FOUNDATION OVERVIEW

The Adefolalu Gaska Foundation aka The Sholly Smile Factory was birthed in April 2017 to provide spiritual, emotional and financial support to vulnerable women (and men) in need. We do so via three main initiatives - GodErrands - as shown below. We are funded by our trustees and donations of those who are led to partner with us to run the errands that God has sent us on. Should you be led to join hands and hearts with us, please send your donation to the Shola Adefolalu Gaska Foundation account with **First Bank of Nigeria, Account number - 203 389 6366.**

Kindly state which of the initiatives you would like to give towards using the acronyms stated at the bottom of each box. Please note that we also gratefully receive donations in kind - provisions, tissue, pampers, etc. Thank you in advance and God bless you. **Sholly Lives. God is Good.**

#GodErrand 1

The Sholly Food Care Packages

Given out to individuals and families in critical need of food stuffs every month.

Focus Areas: Lagos and Abuja

TSFCP

#GodErrand 2

The Sholly Serenity Place

A Shelter for Survivors of Domestic Abuse and their children. We provide temporary accommodation, feeding & healthcare to survivors in a loving environment while they work with their Sponsors to figure out their next steps.

TSSP

#GodErrand 3

The Adefolalu Love is A Verb (ALiVe)

The ALIVE Initiative is an informal social security system put in place to provide monthly allowances to financially vulnerable women.

Focus Areas: Lagos, Ekiti, Cross Rivers and Akwa-ibom State.

SAGALIVE



The Shola Adefolalu Gaska Foundation



[_TheShollySerenityPlace](#)
[TheShollySmileFactory](#)

FYI: OUR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

1 NO
POVERTY



Goal 1: No Poverty: Our monthly provision of Food Care packages and how we support our TSSP residents is a fight against food poverty and contributes to the goal of ending poverty in all its forms.

3 GOOD HEALTH
AND WELL-BEING



Goal 3: Good Health and Well-being: We provide a safe haven for survivors promoting their physical and mental health and well-being. Access to medical care, counseling, and other support services offered at the shelter contributes to this goal.

5 GENDER
EQUALITY



Goal 5: Gender Equality: We support women and girls who have experienced domestic abuse, contributing directly to the goal of achieving gender equality and empowering all women and girls.

17 PARTNERSHIPS
FOR THE GOALS



Goal 17: Partnerships for the Goals: Collaborating with other organizations (CEEHOPE, AVIVA Women's Network, The Raziela Foundation, etc.) governmental agencies (The MoWAPA, Lagos State DSVAs, etc.), and community stakeholders is essential for our success. Building strong partnerships strengthens the collective effort toward achieving all SDGs.