

OUR 2016 REVIEW



Executive Summary

ChiYoWo Empowerment Initiative, is a non-governmental organization established and registered in 2016 with the Corporate Affairs Commission in Nigeria. **ChiYoWo is an acronym for Children, Youth and Women.** As part of our mission, we strive to reposition the mindsets of our target audience towards sustained livelihoods especially displaced persons, those in host communities and schools. During 2016, our activities cut across Child Protection and Safety (including Health Awareness Programmes), Environmental Vulnerability workshops, Education and Creativity, Youth4Growth Skills Acquisition training as empowerment tools and nurturing women with specific seed programmes to develop themselves with entrepreneur skills. We pride ourselves on designing and implementing development initiatives to address and remove barriers, which prevent sustainable livelihoods among the most vulnerable people in Nigeria and on the African continent.

One of the fundamental objectives of ChiYoWo, is to provide harmonious living amongst Nigerians through promoting and protecting their fundamental human rights especially when it comes to the provision of basic needs. This aim is reflective in the Constitutive Act of the African Union, Article 3(h). It is further echoed in the Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa (Kampala Convention), where the African legal framework seeks to **a) prevent internal displacement, b) protect and assist people during displacement and c) provide durable solutions for displaced people.** Nevertheless, societal challenges continue to give us reason to design new intervention programmes. These constantly revolving activities are further guided by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Convention on the Rights of the Child, Nigeria Vision 2020 Plan and Nigeria Youth Empowerment Plan.

ChiYoWo Empowerment Initiative is fully aware displacement occurs as a result of a myriad of factors such as, conflict, violence, economic migration and environmental factors. To this end, ChiYoWo continually provides a crucial role as a civil society organization (CSO) in providing protection and assistance by way of relief, educational programmes, water and sanitation hygiene (WASH), and basic needs to the needy.

Over view: Year 2016

Some of the highlights of the year include celebrating **Children's Day**. The event held simultaneously in Lagos State and Abuja, Federal Capital Territory. Through the themed Project titled: **Our Children Our Future**, over 300 children were empowered to become Transformation Ambassadors in the society at community levels. ChiYoWo also joined the world in commemorating the **International Day of the Girl Child themed Girls' Progress = Goals' Progress: What Counts for Girls** in Benin, where over 70 girls were empowered.



In the course of implementing our humanitarian projects in northern Nigeria, ChiYoWo trained 60 women in bead making, repaired a Hand Held Water Pump Borehole and donated educational and relief materials to families in Durumi Internally Displaced Persons Camp, Abuja. ChiYoWo also celebrated the **United Nations Global Hand Washing Day** at the Durumi Camp. Children and women were given soap and informed of the benefits of water, sanitation and hygiene practices through a workshop. They were encouraged to **'Make Hand Washing a Habit'**.

Youth were not left out. ChiYoWo Empowerment initiative actively engaged youth using social media platforms such as Facebook and Twitter to inspire them become future World Leaders in commemoration of the **International Youth Day**. The live twitter question and answer session was titled **"The Road to 2030: Eradicating Poverty and Achieving Sustainable Production and Consumption"**. This is in line with our drive towards the attainment of the SDGs by 2030.

Our tireless work gained the attention of the British Broadcasting Corporation's (BBC) flagship programme, **Focus in Africa**. We were interviewed by the BBC and gave a tour of Durumi Internally Displaced Persons Camp, in Abuja.

As a round up for the year 2016, ChiYoWo partnered with the Society for Peace Studies and Practice and visited our target beneficiaries in the IDP Camp. This collaborative engagement led to the delivery of food, clothes and educational material for children, youth and women – the most vulnerable people in our community.

In my role as the Executive Director and Founder, my sincere gratitude goes to our Patron, Trustees, Advisory Committee, Volunteers, Partners and Supporters who, through their tireless effort and care, made a huge difference in our work in 2016. ChiYoWo will continue to initiate and implement intervention programmes geared towards uplifting the social, economic, technological and environmental status of all Nigerians through sustained collaborations with Government, Private Sector, NGOs / Civil Society Organizations and individual philanthropists.

Tokunbo Ifaturoti

Executive Director/Founder

ChiYoWo Empowerment Initiative





ChiYoWo Empowerment Initiative Team

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Onyeka Titigbe

Volunteers: 10

Improving Communities & Helping Vulnerable Persons

Women, Men, Youth, Children, Orphans, Babies

2,357

Displaced Persons

Adamawa, Borno and Yobe

Schools & Education Programmes

511

Children and Youth

Abuja, Benin, Lagos



Thematic Focus

Water, Sanitation & Hygiene

Skills Acquisition for Youth

Enterprise Empowerment

Health Awareness Programme

Environmental Awareness

Education

Girl Child Leadership

Creative Arts

Repositioning Mindsets

Workshops

Seminars

Counselling

Celebrated Events

Children's Day

International Day of the Girl Child

International Youth Day

Global Handwashing Day

The Africa Child Day



Collaboration


Society for Peace Studies and Practice
for the
End of Year 2016 Food Fest Event

Media Outreach

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Publicity

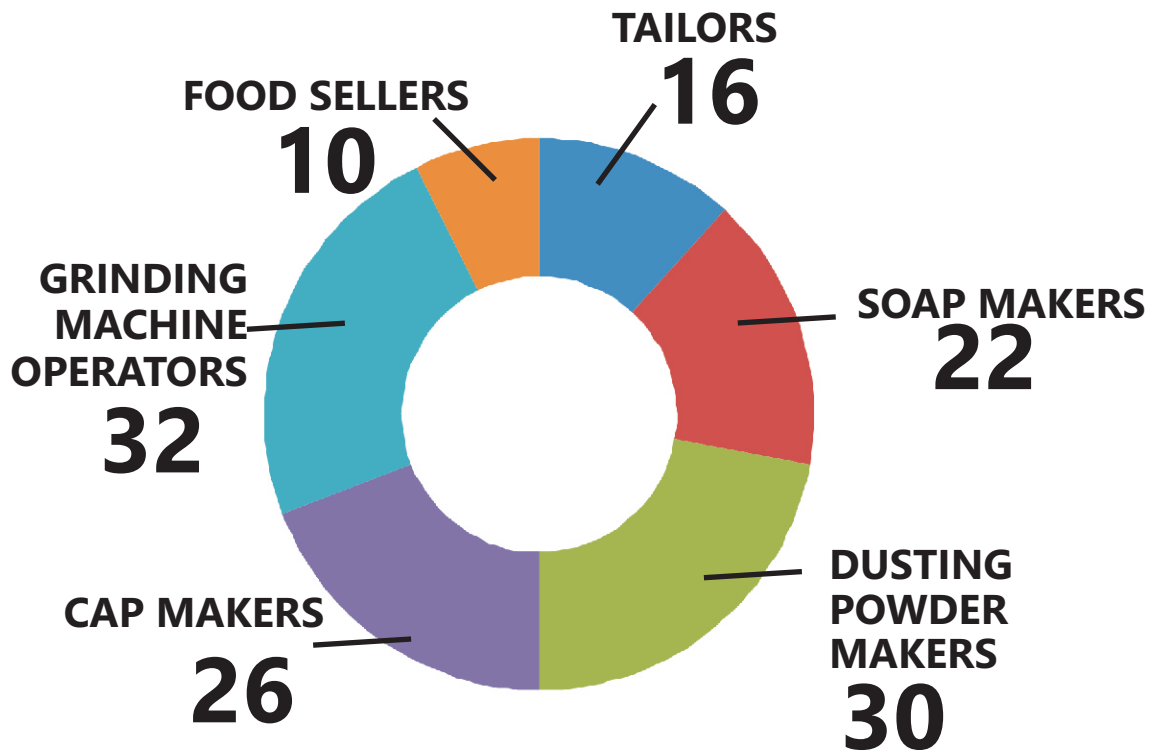
Interview with British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC)
'Focus in Africa' – Highlighting the plight of Internally Displaced
Persons living in Camps in Abuja.





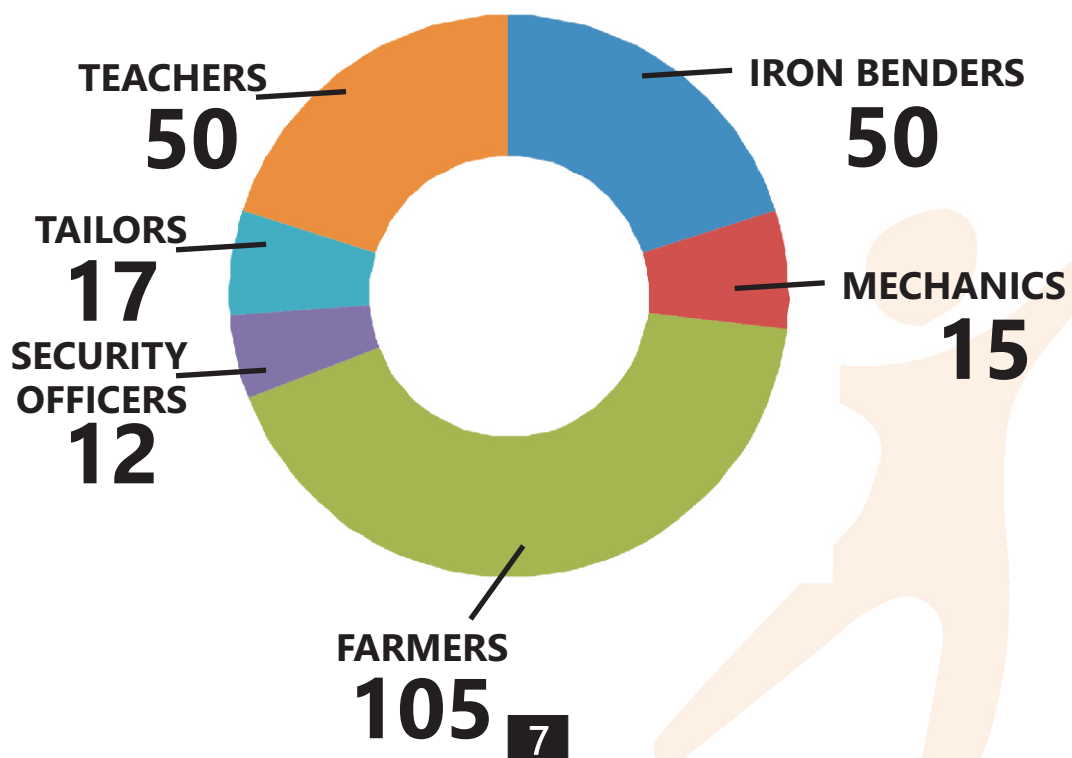
Identified Business Skills in Women

Durumi IDP Camp, Abuja



Identified Business Skills in Men

Durumi IDP Camp, Abuja





Highlights 2016

1. Child Protection and Safety Awareness Programme in Schools in Lagos State and Internally Displaced Persons Camp, Durumi and Kuchigoro, Abuja, FCT
2. Empowering the Girl Child on the effects of Discrimination, Violence and Equal Opportunities in a School in Benin, Edo State
3. Practical Workshop on the benefits of using soap for handwashing in IDP Camps, Durumi, Abuja, FCT
4. Donated 10 Leadership books written by Ben Carson, to outstanding students in a School in Benin, Edo State
5. Donated educational material to children and youth at the Internally Displaced Persons Camp during the celebration of the African Child Day, Durumi, Abuja, FCT
6. Carried out a 'Basic Needs Survey' at the Internally Displaced Persons Camp in New Kuchigoro, Abuja, FCT
7. Rehabilitated and restored a Hand Held Water Pump Borehole in IDP Camp, Durumi, Abuja, FCT
8. Youth Empowerment Programme Live Question and Answer Session on Twitter Sustainable Development Goals issues themed: "The Road to 2030: Eradicating Poverty and Achieving Sustainable Production and Consumption" hashtag "#YouthDay2016" – to mark International Youth Day
9. Visited Kuchigoro IDP Camp for a "Hygiene and Environmental Awareness Programme on how to end Open Defecation" in Camps
10. Provided seed money and relief material to families in the IDP Camp in Durumi, Abuja, FCT on a 'need basis' throughout 2016
11. Designed hand flyers for a Chiyowo's Educational Appeal and distributed them at a Charity Event in Abuja
12. Interview and Walk Around Visit with British Broadcasting Corporation 'Focus in Africa' – Highlighting the plight of Internally Displaced Persons living in Camps in Abuja
13. Online Donation Drive: Chiyowo Educational Appeal for 640 Internally Displaced Children in Durumi, Abuja, FCT
14. End of Year 2016 Food Fest Celebration in the IDP Camp at Durumi, Abuja, FCT in collaboration with the Society for Peace Studies and Practice, Abuja



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