



**FOUNDATION**

**OCTOBER TO  
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A photograph of two young girls, one on the left and one on the right, holding hands. They are both wearing bright yellow vests over dark clothing. The background is an outdoor setting with trees and a building.

## **QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER 4, 2023**

### **Our Vision**

A Nigeria where all homeless youngsters have access to nurturing and loving spaces where they can express themselves, practice freedom, and develop their potential as an alternative to ending up on the street.

### **Our Mission**

Providing an alternative learning space that gives homeless youngsters the opportunity to jump back into society, having gotten the rightful skills needed to excel in any sphere of human endeavour they might have chosen to pursue.

### **The Problem We Are Solving**

The inhuman, loveless, hazardous environment on the street predisposes the increasing number of homeless youngsters to diseases (HIV/Aids, Hepatitis, etc.), abuses, hunger, drug abuse, imprisonment, crime, and lack of accessibility to formal or informal education.



*AKHIN participants who represented our foundation in a talent and talk show*

## **THE AKHIN PROJECT IN 2023**

Welcome to AKHIN, where resilience, fearlessness, courage, and independence reign. Derived from the Yoruba word "AKIN," AKHIN embodies the unwavering spirit we witness daily in our participants. These remarkable individuals have weathered life's storms and emerged as survivors, facing adversities head-on while persevering, embodying the true essence of resilience. They are AKHIN.

In 2023, our collective efforts, bolstered by the support of our partners, led to the rescue of 40 young souls from the harsh streets and abusive environments. These youngsters now stand at the threshold of their dreams, actively nurturing their minds and abilities, each with unique aspirations.

Imagine 40 youngsters, each with a distinct dream, unified on a single platform, actively constructing their futures. That's the power of AKHIN—a convergence of dreams building a collective future.

As we step into 2024, we seek partnerships to amplify our impact. You can join us in our mission to rescue more children from the streets by offering scholarships that cover their educational or vocational needs. Your support could be the catalyst that transforms a life forever.

Reach out to us through the contact details provided in this newsletter to become a part of AKHIN's transformative journey. Together, let's rewrite destinies, one child at a time.



## STORIES OF FEW PARTICIPANTS IN 2023 AKHIN PROJECTS



*AKHIN participants and staffs after our 2023 dream talk.*

Moses Ann



Waris Lawal



Waris and Moses found themselves alone in Ibadan, both hurting because their parents didn't want them. Waris had a tough time because his parents got married again, and neither new family wanted him around. So, he had to live on the streets. Moses was left by his dad with a mom who struggled to care for eight kids by selling fufu. When he was just 13, he ended up alone on the streets too.

But things changed when they came to our center. Here, they found a safe place full of hope. They got a chance to start fresh and discover what they're good at. They dream of making furniture for homes and schools. These dreams give them a new sense of purpose and belonging. At our center, they're not just finding shelter; they're finding a new beginning.





*AKHIN participants at daily body exercise during rehabilitation.*



Both found a haven at AKHIN. Ayomide dreams of becoming a mechanical engineer, while Ester aspires to work in a bank. Here, in this sanctuary, their dreams find wings to fly beyond the limits once imposed upon them. AKHIN isn't just a place; it's a canvas where shattered dreams are mended and new aspirations take root, offering these young hearts a chance to rewrite their destinies.

At AKHIN, where dreams soar free, two souls, Ayomide and Ester, found solace after being plucked from the unforgiving streets of Ibadan. Ayomide, falsely accused of theft while working as a housemaid, found himself homeless. Meanwhile, Ester, once helping her mother sell alcohol, was forced into homelessness after fleeing to escape the hardship of her situation.





*AKHIN participants exhibiting media, their area of interest*



At our recent exhibition in Okuku, Osun State, Nigeria, our participants proudly displayed their skills and services, turning their talents into earnings. Each offering was met with appreciation, allowing them to pocket their hard-earned money. This experience didn't just bring income; it sparked a newfound sense of dignity among them, reaffirming their worth and talents in under 100 words!

