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# **AKHIN ANNUAL REPORT**



## **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, stigmatisation and lack of inclusive society rob these youngsters the opportunity to break free from poverty.

### **TOOLS FOR DEVELOPMENT**





Our approach to rehabilitation and sustainable learning combines football and storytelling. Through these activities, participants are supported in overcoming trauma and building emotional resilience. Football fosters teamwork, discipline, and physical wellness, while storytelling provides a safe space for self-expression and healing. This unique combination has proven highly effective, and we have achieved significant results in rehabilitating and empowering our participants through this method.

### **2024 AKHIN IMPACTS REPORT**











#### Impact Report for 2024

In 2024, with the generous support of Kanthari, Europhin, and Stiftung Umverteilen, we achieved remarkable milestones in transforming the lives of homeless youths:

- Rescue and Rehabilitation: We successfully rescued and rehabilitated 36 youngsters, providing them with the care and support needed to begin a new chapter in their lives.
- Educational Support: Out of these, 16 youngsters were re-enrolled in school, giving them the opportunity to continue their education and build a brighter future.
- Vocational Training: An additional 20 youngsters were enrolled in various vocational training programs to acquire practical skills for sustainable livelihoods.
- Return to the street: 4 participants left the training and return to the street because of unwillingness to abound by the rules and regulations

Among the vocational training participants:

- 75% are now skilled and prepared to take the next step in their journey: starting their own businesses.
- School participation: they are all doing well in their study, one of them has finished his secondary exams and has good grades

These achievements highlight our commitment to empowering homeless youths through education, skills development, and rehabilitation, fostering long-term independence and self-reliance.

50 mothers were empowered to start a small scale businesses to prevent future homelessness among children in this community.

### **ORGANIC FARMING TRAINING**



This year, we launched an agricultural training program, providing participants with the opportunity to acquire valuable farming skills. Beyond skill development, we are also building a sustainable system aimed at significantly reducing the overall costs of our programs. The participants in this program were once homeless and out of school. Today, they are not only finding their paths toward fulfilling their dreams but are also addressing a critical societal issue—food shortages. Through their efforts, they are contributing to both personal growth and community development.



### **AKHIN REUNITED PARENTS WITH PARTICIPANTS**



Years had passed since the last time these families saw their children. When we first rescued these youngsters, they were lost in the chaos of homelessness—separated from the warmth of their families due to poverty, conflict, or other unimaginable circumstances. Today, we made a monumental visit back to those families who had once lost touch with their children, reuniting them after years of separation. The stories and testimonies that followed left a lasting imprint on our hearts.

In a small, brightly painted house nestled in the outskirts of Ibadan, we sat down with Farouq grandmother of one of our rescued boys. When Farouq left the streets through our initiative, his mother has died and father nowhere to be found, we could only found his grandma who had given up hope of ever seeing him again. "For years, I feared the worst," grandma began, tears welling up in her eyes. "I thought my boy had been lost forever. But now, seeing him healthy, grown, and full of life. It is as though God returned a part of me that had been missing."

Farouq, now standing tall, his smile wide and proud, shared his own story. "Living on the streets, I didn't think much of a future. Every day was survival. But when I was taken in and given a chance to learn and develop myself and earn an income, I found a new purpose.

Across town, we met Favour, a 14-year-old girl who had been separated from her family for years. Her father, died while she was 2 years old, leaving her to single mother of 6 children. "When I heard she was found and given a chance to go back to school, I didn't believe it. But today, seeing her speak about her dreams of becoming a teacher—there are no words for my joy." Favour, shy yet hopeful, added, "I didn't think this day would come, when I could sit with my family again. I'm happy now. I want to keep learning and helping.

The children, once broken by hardship, are now on paths of growth and discovery. Their testimonies reflect a deep sense of gratitude, not just for the chance to reunite with their families, but for the new life they are building. The parents, too, are regaining hope as they see their children thriving in ways they never imagined possible. For many of them, this journey isn't just a reunion—it is the start of a new chapter filled with possibilities.

# **AKHIN FUTURE VILLAGE**



# **OUR FUTURE INCLUSIVE HOME**

Thanks to generous support from the OSV Foundation and individual contributions during the founder's visit to Europe. This funding was allocated to develop a sustainable community on a 37,000-square-meter piece of land.

The vision for this community is to foster sustainability and self-reliance. We aim to:

- Generate 70% of the food consumed within the community.
- Produce 60% of our electricity through renewable energy sources.

• Provide 100% of the community's water needs as clean and drinkable.

The village is designed to accommodate a maximum of 200 residents, including both physically able and disabled participants who are homeless and in need of shelter. The primary purpose of this community is to offer a safe space for self-development, empowering residents to rebuild their lives and achieve independence.



## DONATE TOWARDS AKHIN VILLAGE



Help Us Build a Safe Haven for Homeless Children

Every child deserves a safe place to call home—a space where they can feel loved, dream freely, and grow into their full potential. Yet, so many children are forced to survive on the streets, battling hunger, fear, and hopelessness every single day.

With your support, we can change this. Together, we can build a shelter that will provide warmth, security, and a fresh start for these vulnerable children. This isn't just about building walls; it's about building futures.

Your donation, no matter the size, will bring us closer to creating a home where these children can feel safe, learn, and thrive.

Let's give them the gift of hope and a second chance at life. Will you join us in making this dream a reality? Donate now and help us transform lives.



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