



# RESCUE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION



*...preserving a future for Africa*

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## **Introduction**

Education is the basic foundation for human development in any society. The ability of a society to build the capacity of its human resource is a major indicator for the quality of its development. Nigeria, the most populous Black Country in the world is suffering a major crisis in its public education system. Years of military dictatorship and maladministration have had adverse effects on the educational system- neglect and underfunding being the crux of the issues faced by this sector. From elementary to tertiary institutions, these schools face basic infrastructural and manpower challenges: Lack of classrooms, furniture, books, equipment, electricity, water, instructors and support services. The decline in the quality of graduates produced each year and the poor performance of students in standard examinations can be traced back to the lack of these basic needs. Nigeria has one of the fastest growing populations in the world and is ill-equipped at its current status to deal with the deluge of manpower's educational needs that will confront it in several years from now. The Rescue Educational Foundation is an organization founded on the urgent need to remedy the decay in public education in Nigeria.

## **Rescue Educational Foundation**

Rescue Educational Foundation is a non-profit, non-governmental organization established in with the primary vision of developing the public educational system in Nigeria by providing policy, infrastructural, funding and manpower support. The organization is enthused to provide an educational environment, conducive for Nigerian children, a large proportion of which are in public schools.

Rescue Educational Foundation is established as a vehicle through which individuals, corporate organizations, and community-based organizations can deal with the menace in the public school system in Nigeria through strategic partnership.

Rescue Educational Foundation was established in 2007 and commenced operations in January 2008.

## **Mission Statement**

To promote equal access to quality education by providing support and a favorable learning environment for the less privileged child in Nigeria

## **Organizational Objectives**

1. The development of public schools: primary, secondary and tertiary
2. The provision of infrastructures in public schools: primary, secondary and tertiary
3. The provision of scholarships and educational support services for indigent students
4. The provision of educational opportunities for the different genres of children with disabilities
5. Supporting the provision of qualified teaching staff in public schools and providing capacity building assistance to teachers currently in the school systems

## Organizational Strategies

1. Create public awareness of the challenges faced in the public educational system through strategic media campaign
2. Establish strategic partnership with the government and its agencies; state and federal, and other stakeholders in policy formulation for public educational system
3. Partner with individuals, corporate organizations, religious bodies and other community-based organizations in the provision of infrastructures and learning materials e.g. furniture, water, textbooks, notebooks for public schools.
4. Promote public-private partnership for public schools for project sustainability and to facilitate proper management of infrastructures
5. Encourage reading culture among children in public schools by developing local libraries and resource centers
6. Encourage individuals to give back to the public schools through sponsorships and special programs e.g. Scholarships, Volunteer Teaching Corps, Mentoring and Counseling etc.
7. Seek funding support from international donor organizations both in Nigeria and in Diaspora to execute projects
8. Work with public school teachers' governing bodies to facilitate the provision of quality teaching staff in public schools and encourage better compensation for teachers

## Leadership

### Board of Trustees'

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| 1. Pastor Seyi Oladimeji      | Executive Director  |
| 2. Mr. Yinka Adebisi          |                     |
| 3. Mr. Ayo Arowolo            |                     |
| 4. Pastor Ayo Abraham(USA)    |                     |
| 5. Mr. Tade Olajitan(UK)      |                     |
| 6. Mr. Segun Akinniyi(Canada) |                     |
| 7. Mr. Diji Olojo             | Executive Secretary |

### Advisory Board

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| 1. Mrs. Mojisola Oladimeji | Entrepreneur         |
| 2. Mrs. Yetunde Quadri     | Banker/Administrator |
| 3. Mr. Tunde Esan          | Attorney             |
| 4. Mrs. Rhoda Ayinde       | Public Servant       |
| 5. Barr. Biodun Bayewu     | Consultant           |

## Management Team

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|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Pastor Seyi Oladimeji | Executive Director  |
| 2. Mr. Diji Olojo        | Executive Secretary |
| 3. Mr. Segun Adegoke     | Administrator       |
| 4. Mr. Seun Fesobi       | Building Engineer   |
| 5. Mr. Chinedu Wabara    | Project Consultant  |
| 6. Mr. Wale Martins      | Architect           |

## Projects/Programs (Work so far)

1. Renovation of a block of 6 classrooms at Agidingbi Primary School in 2008
2. Provision of Furniture for the pupils of Agidingbi Primary School in 2008
3. Educational support for indigent children of So Said Charity Home
4. Scholarship for children of widows
5. Financial support to Missionary Home for children and widows

For more information on past and current projects, kindly refer to our website; [www.refng.org](http://www.refng.org) or send your request to [refng@yahoo.com](mailto:refng@yahoo.com)

## How to Help

You can be a part of this crusade to revamp the public educational sector of Nigeria by;

1. Becoming a financial partner
  - **Periodic donation:** make periodic financial contributions towards REF projects. You or your organization can sponsor a school project
  - **Single donation:** make a one-time donation towards our objectives
2. Material donations
  - **Learning materials:** We encourage individuals and organizations to donate learning materials e.g. textbooks, notebooks, computers, and lab equipment for schools
  - **Building materials:** We encourage construction companies to support our projects by donating building materials e.g. roofing sheets, paints, cement etc.
3. Voluntary Services
  - **Professional Service:** Individuals or organizations can volunteer their professional services to help in our projects and programs. The project works include construction work, and we require the service of builders, civil engineers, and architects.
  - **Support Service:** We always require support from individuals to help in the areas of training, counselling and mentoring. You can also mentor a child.

***Please turn overleaf to fill out our support form.***

Thank you.

## How to Support

You can be a part of this crusade to revamp the public educational sector of Nigeria;

### 1. Become a financial partner

- **Periodic donation:** make periodic financial contributions towards REF projects.
- **Sponsor - a - project:** You or your organization can sponsor a specific project.
- **Single donation:** make a one-time donation towards our objectives

### 2. Partners in Kind

- **Learning materials:** Donate textbooks, notebooks, computers, laboratory equipments etc for schools.
- **Infrastructural Development:** Undertake an infrastructural project in full or in part - buildings, borehole water systems, building materials, school furniture etc.

### 3. Volunteer

- **Professional Service:** Individuals or organizations can volunteer their professional services to help in our projects and programs. The projects include teaching, training,

counseling, fundraising, construction services etc.

- **Support Service:** We always require support from individual to help in the areas of advocacy and mentoring. You can also sponsor and mentor a child.

Thank you for your support.

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