# LINKING HANDS FOUNDATION

# **QUARTERLY UPDATE**

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VISION & MISSION

Q1-2016

### INTRODUCTION

- Linking hands Foundation (LHF) is registered in Nigeria as an Incorporated Trustee (NGO)
- LHF is a "Charity Service Provider", offering projects and activities options to individuals, groups, schools, companies/ organisations to sponsor/ participate in, towards meeting the needs of the less privileged and our society
- **O** LHF is built on the premise that "together we can do much more", by bringing resources together to serve the needs of humanity and society
- O Focus areas Education, Health and Values

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### APPRECIATION

Dear Friend, Sponsor & Partner,

#### Greetings!

Thank you for your trust and support, so that "Together we can do much more", in meeting the needs of the less privileged and our society.

With your encouragement and donations, together, we are M.A.D.E! Linking Hands Foundation (LHF) is therefore glad to share with you, our joint endeavours in Q1-2016.

Yours sincerely,

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Efe FARINRE (Mrs.) Founder, Linking Hands Foundation (LHF)

Vision To prepare today's children to become tomorrow's leaders

Mission To make positive and lasting impacts on humanity and society

# **AIMS & OBJECTIVES**

To foster a culture among Nigerians that each of us can <b>make an</b> <b>invaluable</b> <b>difference</b> in the life of another	To encourage Nigerians to identify positively with our country and <b>have a "burden to</b> <b>give back"</b> to society
To promote and	To work with
support solid	individuals, groups and
education,	companies/
sound health	organisations to
and strong	sponsor projects

na strong values for all our children

towards **building** the country of our dreams

To be available help and give within our capabilities as needs arise

#### **EVERY-CHILD-COUNTS INITATIVE**

"Every child counts" looks out for the general well being of all Nigerian children

In partnership with Alma Stores Nigeria and PEP Stores Nigeria, LHF donated diapers and clothes to the Ayeni conjoined twins presently at University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital (UNTH), Enugu.



Mr. Femi Ajayi (Left), COO, Alma Stores & his team and Mrs. Efe Farinre (Right), Founder, LHF



Mr. Sylvernus Odharo (Left), Store Manager, PEP Stores Nigeria, Lagos, Mrs. Efe Farinre (Middle) and Mr. Abdul-Azeez Iposu (Right) Logistic Manager Nigeria, PEP Stores

#### **READERS-ARE-LEADERS INITATIVE**

Children are encouraged to donate used reading books in good condition to other (under-privileged) children

- LHF partnered with Corona School Victoria Island, Lagos, to organise a Book Drive as part of the school's World Book Day 2016 celebrations
  - Compassion and generosity were further instilled in the pupils as they brought in reading books in excellent conditions for less privileged children
  - A total of 300 books were donated
    - 120 of these books were given to internally displaced children who attend the school run by Life Builders Initiative at the Gwoza and Boma IDP Camp, Durumi, FCT, Abuja
- The children were glad to receive books from children just like them, all the way from Lagos



# Q1-2016 Projects and Activities









Life Builders Initiative School, IDP Camp Durumi. FCT, Abuja

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### OTHERS – VISIT TO INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS (IDPs) IN ABUJA AND NASSARAWA STATE

- In partnership with PEP Stores Nigeria, LHF visited and made donations of clothes and shoes to 10 IDP groups living in host communities in Abuja and Nassarawa State
- We also made donations of rain coats and face caps to the IDP school in Durumi, Abuja, run by Life Builders Initiative







Mr. Olatunji David (Left), Founder, Life Builders Initiative



Mr. Olatunji David (Left), Staff of PEP Stores Nigeria, Abuja -Victoria Olayinka & Georgina Okoli (Middle), Efe Farinre (Right)

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At Karshi with IDP Reps from Kurudi, Karshi & Kurape



Sharing words of comfort & encouragement with IDPs in Ado Kasa II & IDP Reps from Karu, New Karu, New Nyanya, Fukka & Idu Yard



At Ado Kasa II with IDP Reps from Karu, New Nyanya, New Karu, Fukka, Idu Yard & Ado Kasa II



With IDPs in Jankawa

FCT, Abuja and Nassarawa State

# **Q1-2016 Projects and Activities**

STANDING: Mr. Nonso Nwachukwu (Left), PEP Stores Nigeria, Abuja, Mrs. Efe Farinre (Middle), Mr. Michael Yohanna (Right), *Our Contact Person & Translator* 



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SITTING: Jankawa Community Heads. Mr. Tabukar Y. David (Right), Jankawa Community Leader, who like others, despite their limited resources have welcomed IDPs to live in their communities





• The needs of the IDPs are evident and beg for us to return to do much more, in the "Spirit of One Nigeria"

• I promised them I will "take them back with me" to Lagos and let their "brothers and sisters" know that we have family out there that need our help



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## Q2-2016 Plans

#### LHF's APPROVED SCHOOLS FOR CHARITY SERVICES

ALL 116 PRIMARY SCHOOLS in Ibeju Lekki and Epe LGAs, Lagos State ALL 130 SECONDARY SCHOOLS in Lagos State Education District III (Lagos Island, Eti-Osa, Ibeju-Lekki & Epe Zones)

#### READERS-ARE-LEADERS INITIATIVE

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The **balance** of **180** books from the **Corona School VI** Book Drive will be **donated to** 2 (public) **primary schools in Ibeju-Lekki LGA** 



- We continue to seek
   opportunities to organise
   Book Drives in partnership
   with primary and
   secondary schools
- Please contact us to connect us with your children's/ choice schools

### SCHOOIS

#### **EVERY-CHILD-COUNTS INITIATIVE & TRUE-TALK** True-Talk: Health talks & Demonstrations, Career Talks, Motivational Speeches

- Donation of First Aid Kits to all (public) primary schools in Ibeju-Lekki and Epe LGAs
- Our volunteer medical advisor, Dr. Opesanmi Esan, a Cardiologist at MidMichigan Medical Center, MI, USA will on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2016, give a Health Talk and Demonstration to primary and secondary School Heads, PE Teachers etc on "What to do if a child is choking, passes out or having a heart attack"
  - Kindly contact us If you would like to volunteer as a medical personnel and/ or support the programme
  - Our goal is to give out the first aid kits as part of the medical awareness programme on 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2016
  - O Please donate towards the estimated cost of =N=2.5M (2.5 Million Naira) for the First Aid Kits

#### **EDUCATION SUPPORT DRIVE**

Donation of school furniture, educatonal requirements etc.

- Donation of desks and chairs to the top 3 secondary schools within Lagos State Education District III that have insufficient supply
- Donation of libraries to 2 (public) primary schools in Ibeju-Lekki LGA



- O Our **goal** is to provide this support by end of this academic session in **July 2016**
- O Please donate towards the estimated cost of =N=5M (5 Million Naira) for the desks & chairs and 2 libraries

# Q2-2016 Plans

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### SHARE-A-SNACK & ADOPT-A-BUDDY

**INITIATIVES** Children share snacks & make friends with (less privileged) children in orphanages

These are planned in celebration of Children's Day on 27/05/16.

- We will be visiting 2 orphanages (Yaba & Lekki Axes) & underprivileged Egun (Badagry) children, in a settlement in Lekki
- In partnership with PEP Stores Nigeria, we will make donations of clothes & shoes to the children



- In addition, we will give them healthy snacks variety bags
- Please contact us to volunteer yourself and your child(ren) to be part of this outreach
- O Tentative date is Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2016. Time, meeting point etc. will be shared with volunteers
- A healthy snacks variety bag to be packed for our
   "Adopted Buddies for the day" will cost
   =N=500 (Five Hundred Naira) each
- Kindly make donations towards the total cost of =N=175,000 (One Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand Naira) for the healthy snacks bags
- Please contact us if you can help with a bus & driver for this outing and/ or a meeting point where the healthy snacks bags will also be packed

#### EDUCATING-TOMORROW'S LEADERS

**INITIATIVE** Children donate used textbooks, school bags etc. to other (less prividleged) children

- This will be organised during the last week of this academic year (1<sup>st</sup> week in July 2016)
- All used textbooks, school bags etc donated will be given to internally displaced and impoverished children



- This is to further **teach** our **children compassion** as they give to children like themselves, who are unfortunately, less privileged than they are
- Please contact us to partner with you/ your children's/ choice schools for this project/ activity

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### **OTHERS – "IN THE SPIRIT OF ONE NIGERIA"**

- O At Ado Kasa II in Nassarawa State, I was touched by Abigail, who would just not stop smiling at me! Despite the evident despair, she still managed to smile. There was also another boy, Moses, whom there was just "something about". I remember his father saying proudly when he noticed that we were looking at him, "That's my boy!"
- Neither Abigail nor Moses, still go to school, just like most of the internally displaced children in that community and thousands of internally displaced children across Nigeria
- There are primary and secondary community schools they can walk to...so close, but yet so far....due to many losses and poverty. What is more painful is that these children attended school before the insurgents forced them out of their homes and communities
- These children have suffered too much already. Let's not let the violence cheat them of their potential in life and rob them of a bright future
- Together, let's empower these children through education by joining and promoting:

#### THE MOSES MOVEMENT & THE ABIGAIL ACTION

# THE MOSES MOVEMENT

- Sponsor an internally displaced child to primary school for
   1 year at a total cost of =N=12,500
- O This amount covers fees (for 3 terms), uniforms, school books, supplies, shoes & bags

# THE ABIGAIL ACTION

- Sponsor an internally displaced child to secondary school for 1 year at a total cost of =N=20,000
- O This amount covers fees (for 3 terms), uniforms, school books, supplies, shoes & bags





Our target is to start supporting the education of internally displaced children from September, 2016

PLEASE SPONSOR AS MANY INTERNALLY DISPLACED CHILDREN TO SCHOOL AS YOU CAN

# IN CLOSING

#### BE A LINKING HANDS FOUNDATION PARTNER/ SPONSOR

#### Linking Hands Foundation needs you, so that together, we can make positive and lasting impacts on humanity and society.

Many times I am overwhelmed by the "so much" there is to do in meeting the needs of the less privileged and our society. I often wonder how it would all be done. Then I remind myself that "Every little makes up the big". We surely cannot do it all alone, but what we are able to do goes a long way to reduce this huge burden and make a difference in the lives of many.

Together, let's transform lives, let's make dreams come true, let's put smiles on faces and let's give & restore hope to as many as we can reach.

#### SHARE US

- Please share Linking Hands Foundation with your friends (as well as schools, companies/ organisations) and ask them to share us too
- Indeed, the more we are, the "merrier"...

#### **Kind Reminder:**

- Our partners, sponsors and volunteers are always welcome to join us "on the field" and at formal presentations/ handing over of donations/ completed projects
- Our partners/ sponsors of projects will have their names as well as ours as the donors
- We honour the request for anonymity by any partner/ sponsor/ donor

**.TOGETHER WE CAN DO MUCH MORE....** 

To volunteer or for additional information/ clarification, please contact us via telephone or email

 For financial support, please make payments to:
 Account Name: Linking Hands Foundation Bank Name: GT Bank
 Bank Branch: Adetokunbo Ademola Branch Victoria Island, Lagos Account Number: 0210438649

Please specify the purpose of your donation or contact us for same

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