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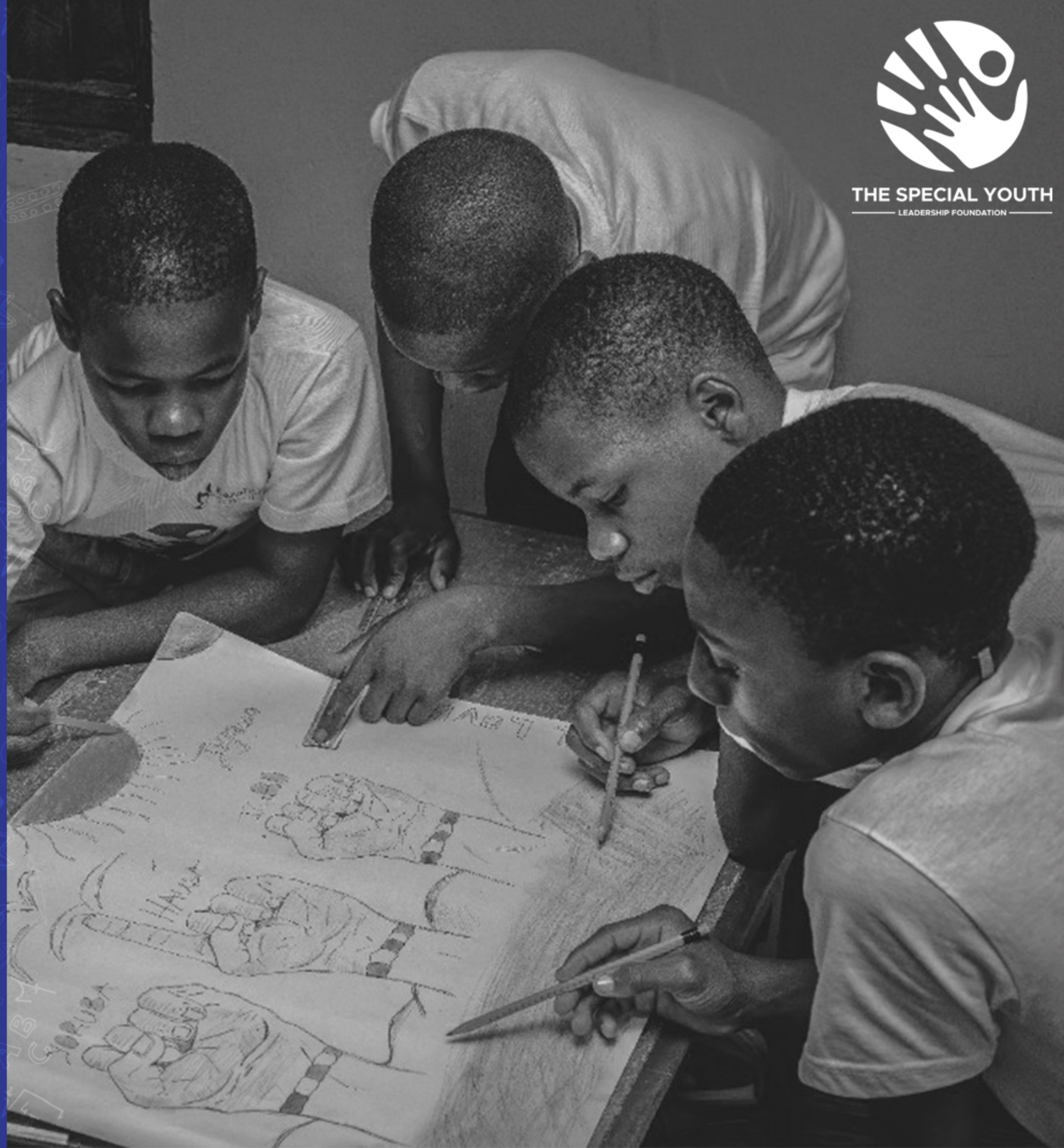
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INTRODUCTION

This document is shared as an insight into The Special Foundation.



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OVERVIEW

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The Special Foundation (TSF) is a privately funded social impact organization focused on building Africa's next set of leaders by refining their minds through education. We are a community of young professionals with a vision to improve the quality of leadership in all spheres of governance in Africa by creating access for more children to get an education.

The foundation was created to solve one of the challenges Nigeria (and Africa at large) is facing; High rates of children that are out of school. Africa is blessed with large human and mineral resources, but there are deep-rooted issues; The quality of education. And if the continent is to reap the productivity and growth benefits of its growing population, its stakeholders (TSF) will need to ensure that its people have the right knowledge, skills, and opportunities.

Currently, there are over **13 million** children out of school in Nigeria, and a major cause of this poverty. Lack of funds for parents to send their kids and also a poverty mindset. Neglecting these large numbers of children who are out of school, will endanger the future of Nigeria.

We are bridging the widening gap between children out of school and access to quality education. By the year 2030, we believe at least **1 million** Africans will be positively impacted by the Foundation. Through our 6 cardinal programs, we exercise our mission.

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INSPIRE SCHOLARSHIP –

Created to provide scholarships for children of low-income earners, orphaned children, and families that have lost a breadwinner. The initiative focuses on primary and secondary school students.



SPECIAL SUMMER

SCHOOL - Free, and annual program designed to train children (in and out of school) on key skills (such as craftsmanship, mental mathematics, creative writing, ICT, and Public Speaking) during the summer holiday.



SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIP –

This is merit-based and targeted at identifying gifted students for local tertiary institutions. This scholarship is available to students under the age of 21.



SCHOOL BUILD PROGRAM –

This initiative is focused on improving educational infrastructure and ensuring more children have access to safe and quality learning environments.



MENTORSHIP –

Designed to bring individuals from various corporate sectors to mentor aspiring leaders.



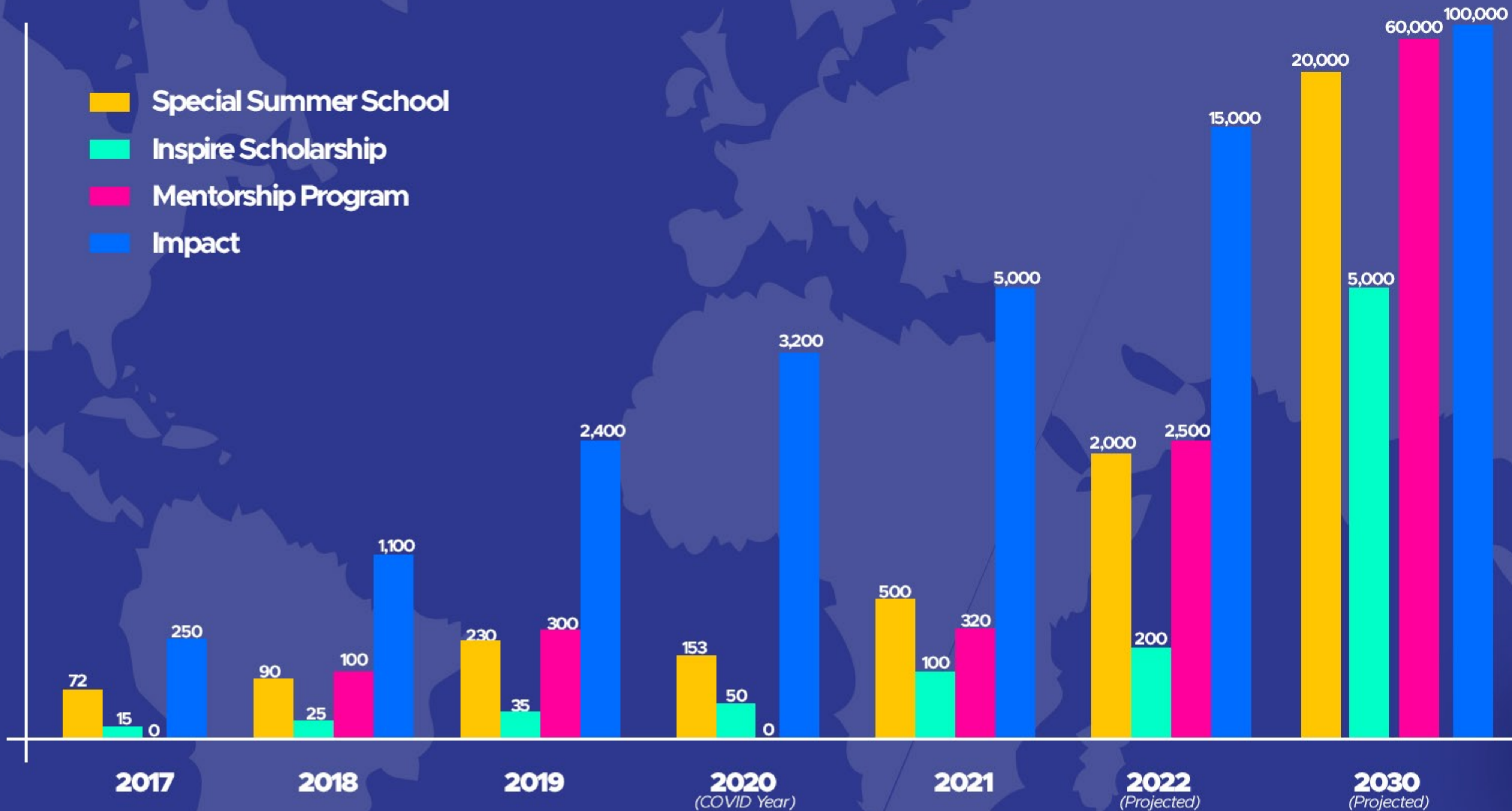
LIFE LONG DEVELOPMENT –

The standout aspect of our impact is the fact that these programs provide lifelong development to the kids that qualify for our programs.

OUR JOURNEY SO FAR...



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Over the last 5 years, we have impacted the lives of over 5000 children in Nigeria through our intervention programs.



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OUR SELECT PARTNERS...



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**SEYI
AKINWALE**

Co-Founder

Seyi Akinwale is a senior vice president at General Electric where he leads the financial services business for Sub-Saharan Africa.



**CHUKWUMA
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Co-Founder

Chukwuma Nwanze is an Executive Director, Finance & Strategy at Credit Direct Ltd, Nigeria's premier consumer lending finance company.



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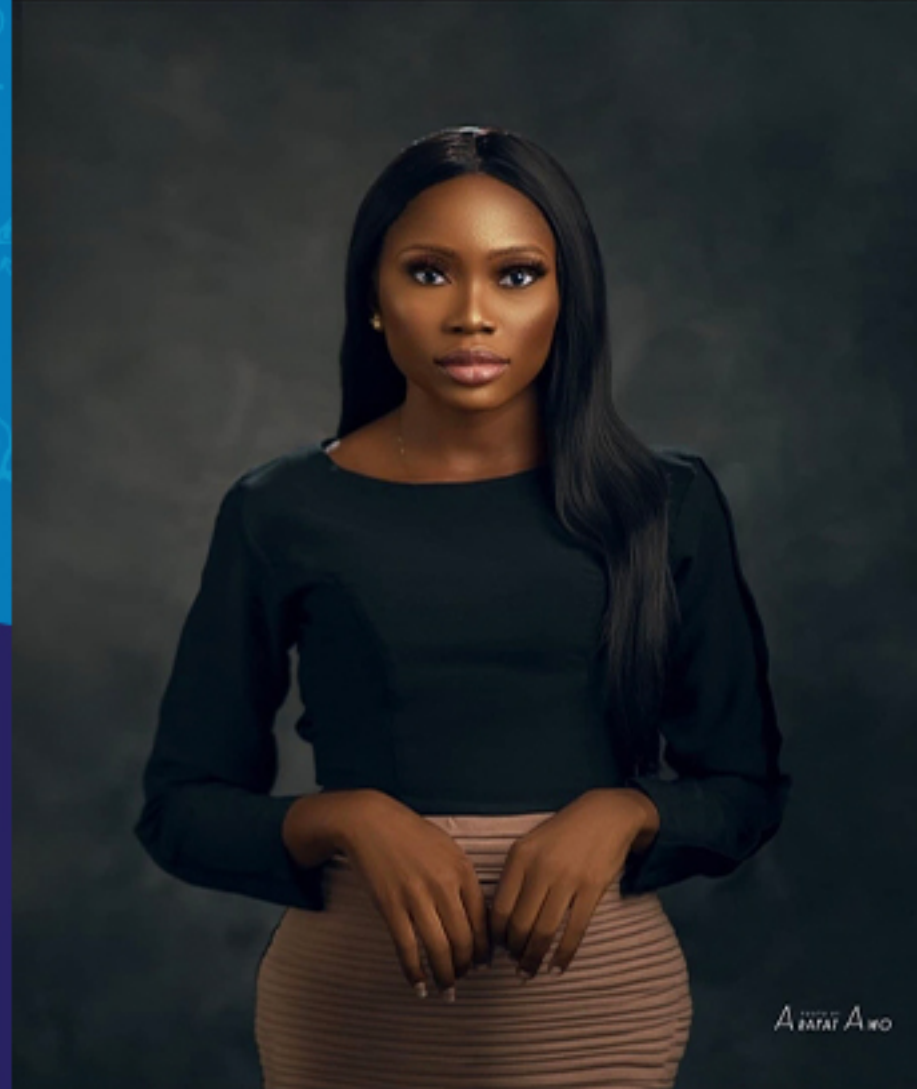
OUR MANAGEMENT TEAM



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Manager



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OUR PEOPLE



Our Volunteer team consists of over 200 professionals who dedicate their time, resources, and expertise to ensure we can provide access to education to thousands of children across Africa.



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GOODWILL MESSAGE

HIS EXCELLENCY, OLUSEGUN OBASANJO

“Youths by themselves are the solution to Nigeria’s problems and what The Special Foundation is doing by helping young people through skill acquisition, employment generation, and wealth creation is contributing to youths becoming part of the solution to youth and national problems.”

[Click to watch his message.](#)



OUR ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK

Our accountability is essential to our continued ability to work and deliver our impact-driven objectives. We apply the resources at our disposal the experience, skills and knowledge of our team alongside personal and third-party financial contributions. The networks and value-adding support of our army of Volunteers and Ambassadors are also utilized.

We have pledged to tackle the educational deficit in Africa through our various intervention and infrastructure development programs. Our accountability is maintained through:

- A vibrant board of trustees and Advisory council who provide general oversight to the activities of the Foundation.
- A set of operating principles to which our team board advisory council and ambassadors are held accountable and is supported by a robust control framework to ensure these principles are followed.
- Regular reports that assess our performance against pre-defined impact targets and milestones.
- Periodic management accounts by third party company – Arkounting Professional Services.
- Annual audit accounts by external auditors – UHY Maaji & Co.
- External legal advice and guidance provided by Greychapel Legal.



**ALL OUR CARDINAL
PROGRAMS MEET
A NUMBER OF THE
UN'S SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
GOALS.**



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NO POVERTY



**ZERO
HUNGER**



**QUALITY
EDUCATION**



**GENDER
EQUALITY**



**DECENT WORK &
ECONOMIC GROWTH**



**INDUSTRY, INNOVATION
& INFRASTRUCTURE**



**SUSTAINABLE CITIES
& COMMUNITIES**



CLIMATE ACTION



**PEACE, JUSTICE &
STRONG INSTITUTIONS**

INSPIRE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

This program was created to provide scholarships for children of low-income earners, orphaned children, and families that have lost a breadwinner. The initiative focuses on primary and secondary school students.

We are committed to supporting and sponsoring the educational needs of children under this scholarship. This scholarship covers the cost of tuition, books, stationery, and other necessary materials for school.

Join us in our fight to reduce the number of out-of-school children and the level of illiteracy, poverty, and bad leadership by equipping the next generation with quality education. It costs about 350 dollars to sponsor a child for a year.





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MEET SOME OF OUR BENEFICIARIES...



**GLORY
INNOCENT**

Glory (6) is a brilliant student who loves dancing. She is the third child out of four kids. Her parents are petty traders. Glory was nominated for the Inspire Scholarship by her dance teacher. The scholarship has relieved her parents of some of the financial burden, so they can provide better education for her 3 siblings too.

[Click to watch Glory's story](#)



**RHEMA
IYORAH**

Rhema is the first child of three children. He became one of our beneficiaries at age of 9. His dad passed on and his mom was going through financial challenges. She heard of TSF from a church member and signed Rhema up. Rhema is in JSS1, he is 11 years old and has already won a couple of awards in his school at the moment.

[Click to watch his story](#)

SPECIAL SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM



This program is designed to offer out-of-school and less privileged children continued and all-around capacity development. The program is in its 8th year of operation and runs for about 3-5 weeks, during the summer holidays (August to September).

The age range of target participants is from **8 to 18 years**.

The curriculum is designed to cater to the needs of children currently out of school and to improve the quality of education of those currently in school. A baseline test will be administered at the beginning of the program to test each child's strength and ensure they are placed in the correct class set. A baseline test will also be administered at the end of the program to measure the impact of the summer school program.

At the end of the program, the participants are equipped with various skillsets such as mental mathematics, creative writing, ICT, public speaking, and craftsmanship.

Last year, over 500 children participated in this program through our Makoko, Lagos, and Kuje, Abuja centers, and in 2022 we plan to reach over 2000 children in four states; two in the north and south.

The budget for the summer school is 36 thousand dollars per center/state. Watch this video to find out more about the program.

SPECIAL SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM

DESTINY
OGHIE



Destiny's sister, Happiness was one of the kids selected from the Kuje community to participate in the Summer School Program. Destiny had been out of school due to financial constraints on her mother and she insisted on accompanying her big sister to the classes. Destiny was tested to determine her strength academically and passed the test.

While at the program, Destiny's spelling and diction improved greatly, and at the end of the summer school program, Happiness and Destiny emerged top in their individual classes. Both girls received gifts for their academic feats and Destiny was selected as one of the students to benefit from the Inspire Scholarship. Destiny's zeal to learn was also a factor in why she was chosen.

Her mother expressed gratitude to the foundation for the opportunity given to her children; she was extremely surprised that one of her kids got a scholarship. The scholarship meant she doesn't have to worry about school fees for Destiny.

Destiny is currently enrolled at one of our partner schools, Kazahchat in Abuja and she has been a beneficiary of the Inspire Scholarship for the last 3 years. She continues to excel academically and is always eager to improve her learning.

Destiny's story is just one example of the positive impact of our program. We believe that there are many kids like Destiny who are out of school who can attend the summer school program, benefit from the knowledge and skills and develop an interest in school.

[Watch this video to find out more.](#)

THE SCHOOL BUILD PROGRAM



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A number of schools lack adequate infrastructure for a good learning environment. Studies on physical facilities in public schools have revealed that what is on the ground, both at the higher and lower levels is a far cry from the recommended benchmark for providing infrastructural facilities in these schools.

Our School Build Program is focused on building resilient educational infrastructure to make sure that students have access to safe learning environments. Through this program, students have a better chance of reaching their best potential.

The schools which have benefited from this program were recommendations from our partners. So far, we have been able to renovate and improve the aesthetic appeal of a few schools which has improved the learning outcome of over 2500 students.

The budget for the school builds program is 10 thousand dollars per school. This will provide a conducive environment for 500 students. (20 dollars per child).

Watch this video to find out more about the program.





Mrs. Mosumola, Proprietress **360 Kiddies in Ajegunle**, Lagos has taken it upon herself to cater to the educational needs of children in her community. With little support, some of the students who attend this school have been able to graduate and further their education.

However, the conditions of the learning environment are not favorable. The number of students has increased and the classrooms cannot accommodate them. They attend classes in a dilapidated building, with little ventilation, poor lighting, and creaky tables and chairs. These classes can barely protect the kids from the uncertainty of the elements. When it rains, classes are disrupted by leakages from the poorly roofed building and windowless classrooms.

We are committed to making sure that children in the Ajegunle community and others like this have access to a conducive learning environment that will enable them to have better access to quality education.

Watch this video to find out more.



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Potential Benefits

INTRODUCING -VEAL




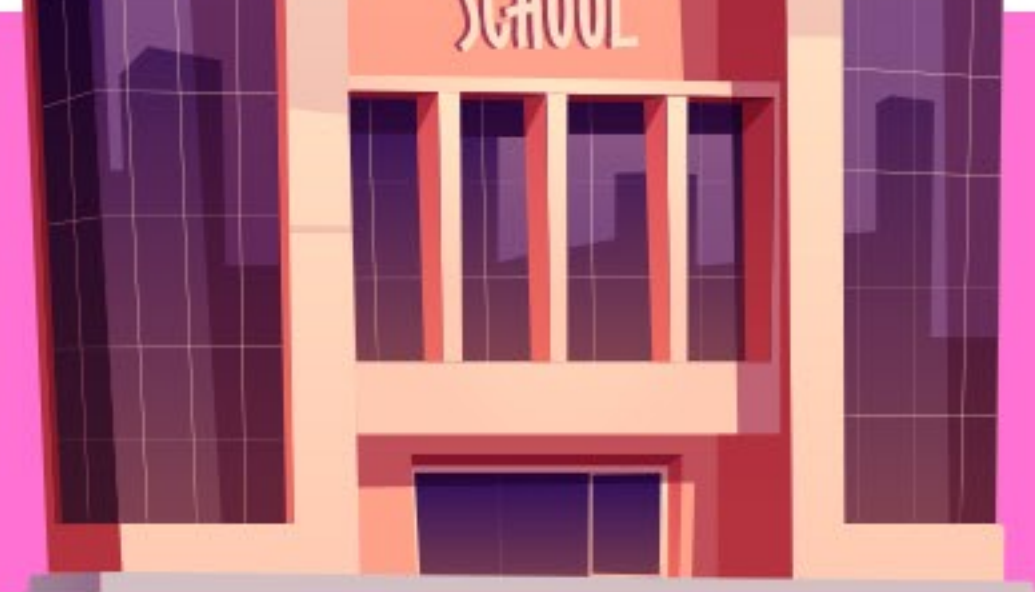
EXPECTED IMPACT

The expected impact of the implementation of the proposed strategy on different stakeholder groups:



The Students/Parents – Increased awareness, higher knowledge/skill set, support, organic success stories

The School/Community – Recognition, reduced crime and unemployment



The Volunteers – Fulfilment, success stories



The Partners – Improve the quality of the future workforce and by extension productivity of the businesses. Strong corporate portfolio, good PR and positive brand representation



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Helping one person might not change the whole world, but it could change the world for one person.



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