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Little Girls trying on her new warm clothes for the cold weather ahead. blankets and cardigans

## Programme Overall Objective

The overarching objective of the NGO is to cater to the comprehensive needs of vulnerable populations, encompassing both immediate and long-term requirements. In times of emergencies, the organization strives to provide swift relief by distributing crucial supplies such as blankets and food, alleviating the immediate suffering of affected individuals and families.

Simultaneously, the NGO is committed to fostering community empowerment and support by implementing initiatives like vocational skills training, health interventions, assistance with school fees, and facilitating access to education. Through these sustained efforts, the organization aspires to empower beneficiaries with the knowledge, skills, and resources needed to enhance their self-sufficiency and forge a brighter, more sustainable future. Ultimately, the NGO aims to create enduring positive changes in the lives of those it serves, enabling them to rebuild and thrive in the face of adversity.

# Project: Blanket/ Food Drive Distribution, Host Communities Maiduguri

**Date:** January 2022

## Objective:

1. Distribute Food and blankets to displaced individuals residing in makeshift housing within host communities in Maiduguri in response to the drop in temperature.

We adopted the standard of International Organizations in item distribution via the following processes.

1. Advocacy and sensitization
2. Beneficiary Identification/Distribution
3. Distribution
4. Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)

Sponsors: 1. Direct Cash Donor Funds

IMPACT: 1500 blankets distributed, Improved Beneficiary Identification.

## Implementation Overview:

The outreach program took place over a 2 day period and included the following key activities:

**1.Needs Assessment:** A comprehensive needs assessment was conducted to identify the most vulnerable and at-risk individuals living in makeshift housing with limited access to warm clothing and shelter.

**2.Resource Procurement:** [NGO Name] procured **1500** blankets to meet the identified needs of the beneficiaries.

**3.Distribution:** A token system was utilized to verify beneficiaries. Volunteers assigned tokens to eligible recipients based on the needs assessment. Beneficiaries presented their tokens at distribution points to receive blankets.

**4.Community Engagement:** Volunteers engaged with the community to raise awareness of the outreach program and to foster trust and cooperation.

**Key Outcomes:** The outreach program achieved the following outcomes:

**1.Beneficiary Reach:** A total of 1500 blankets were distributed to displaced individuals living in makeshift housing.

**2.Immediate Relief:** Beneficiaries reported increased comfort and warmth, alleviating some of the harsh living conditions caused by the drop in temperature.

**3.Community Engagement:** The program strengthened the relationship between Yerwa Foundation, its volunteers and the displaced community, creating a foundation for future collaborations.



**Challenges Faced:** Several challenges were encountered during the implementation of the outreach program, including:

**1.Limited Resources:** There are always more possible beneficiaries than we can cater for, leading to constraints due to limited resources, which restricted the scale of the intervention.

**2.Identification of Beneficiaries:** There was a challenge in pre-identifying all potential beneficiaries accurately, resulting in some deserving individuals possibly not receiving blankets.

**Recommendations:** Based on the outcomes and challenges observed during the outreach program, Yerwa Foundation recommends the following:

**1.Resource Mobilization:** Seek additional funding and resources to expand the outreach program to reach a larger number of beneficiaries in the future.

**2.Improved Beneficiary Identification:** Strengthen the needs assessment process and consider conducting periodic assessments to ensure all deserving beneficiaries are identified.

**3.Community Collaboration:** Continue to engage with the displaced community, involve community leaders, and seek their input in program planning and execution.

**Conclusion:** The outreach program to distribute blankets among displaced individuals in response to the drop in temperature was a significant step toward alleviating the immediate suffering of vulnerable populations. While challenges were noted, the program succeeded in providing much-needed warmth and comfort to those living in makeshift housing. Yerwa Foundation remains dedicated to addressing the pressing needs of displaced communities and looks forward to further improving its outreach efforts in the future.

## Project Report

Beneficiary: Maryam Mohammed Musa

Medical Intervention: Spinal cord decompression and fusion

Fund Target: N1,200,000



### Background

Maryam Mohammed Musa a 27yr old lady was involved in RTA and sustained an incomplete spinal cord injury (cervical and thoracic region) and is now paralysed. Yerwa Foundation first came into contact with Maryam at the point of being planned for a spinal cord decompression and fusion operation, estimated to cost about **1.2million**, as confirmed by a Yerwa Foundation trustee.

**Fundraise:** Yerwa Foundation proceeded to run a fundraiser campaign through its social media channels. There was an overwhelming response to Maryams, raising approsimtely N1,747,000.

**Unsuccessful Intervention:** Regrettably, despite the availability of funds and extensive discussions with the beneficiary and their family regarding the benefits and potential positive outcomes of the leg surgery, the beneficiary's family ultimately declined to proceed with the recommended treatment.

Maryam's family were informed of the benefits of the operation; which would lead to a degree of independence for Maryam, the family were not persuaded. Maryam was therefore given a sum of N400,000 to cover incurred hospital costs.

**Lessons Learned:** This intervention has provided valuable lessons for Yerwa Foundation. It underscores the importance of respecting the autonomy and decisions of beneficiaries, even when the foundation's intent is to provide support that could enhance their quality of life. Additionally, it highlights the need for comprehensive communication and sensitivity in addressing medical interventions.

Yerwa Foundation has ut out a public statement on the state affairs.

**Project Conclusion:** While the intervention did not result in the anticipated surgery, Yerwa Foundation remains committed to its mission of assisting individuals facing health-related challenges. We will continue to assess and respond to the needs of beneficiaries with a deep respect for their choices and preferences, recognizing that empowerment includes the right to make decisions about one's own health and well-being

Yerwa foundation Will therefore now identify verified causes with similar characteristics to implement.

## **Project: School Fees Scholarship Programme**

**Date: November 2022**

### **Objective:**

1. To provide educational opportunities to orphans and underprivileged children in our community
2. School: IMAM UMAR USMAN INTEGRATED SCHOOL MAIDUGURI  
71,000 X 4 /ANNUM  
41,000 X 4/1<sup>ST</sup> TERM  
30,000 X4 /2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> TERM

### **Number of Student**

Nursery x3 Primary x1

Sponsors: 1. Direct Cash Donor Funds

The Yerwa Foundation is committed to empowering vulnerable children and ensuring they have access to quality education. One of our flagship programs is the School Scholarship Program. Currently, four orphans benefit from this scholarship program, with three attending nursery school and one in primary school, all enrolled at the IMAM UMAR USMAN INTEGRATED SCHOOL.

### **1.Nursery School Students:**

1. This support has allowed them access to early childhood education, ensuring a strong foundation for their future academic journey.

### **2.Primary School Student:**

1. Our scholarship enables her access primary education, equipping him with essential knowledge and skills.

### **Our Commitment:**

The Yerwa Foundation remains steadfast in our commitment to providing educational opportunities to orphans and underprivileged children. We believe that education is a powerful tool for breaking the cycle of poverty and creating a brighter future. Through our School Scholarship Program, we aim to empower these young minds to achieve their full potential.

### **Future Endeavors:**

As we move forward, we aspire to expand our scholarship program to reach even more deserving children in our community through the adopt a school programme.

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