

2020 Annual report

After a successful 2019, we had set new goals for the year 2020. Our target goals were in Medical Missions, Education and Women's Co-operatives. But 2020 was a year that could never have been predicted. It was greeted by the devastating COVID-19 Pandemic. All travel plans were halted. Despite that, the year 2020 was a very productive year for African Primary Healthcare foundation. In addition to the above mentioned goals, we provided life-sustaining nutrition, shelters and other needed aids to numerous villages.

Medical Missions:

All missions were cancelled.

Education:

During our Ohaji Medical Mission trip in 2019, we reported that we had identified two candidates who would benefit from our financial support. We did better than supporting two candidates. For the academic year 2020-2021, we are providing 100% financial support for the following:

University Level Education6 students3-Year Nursing Programs2 StudentsPrimary School Education2 PupilsSecondary School Education5 Students

Women's Co-operatives:

Isu-Onicha Women's co-operative has been a success program. The women are managing their resources and businesses as expected. Recently, a rice de-stoning machine was purchased and installed. This is intended to enable the women farmers produce a cleaner quality of rice. In addition, the machine will serve other farmers in the vicinity at a cost. As a result, the de-stoning business will be employing and creating jobs for some women who will be manning the de-stoning operation.

In 2021, the Isu-Onicha project fund will embark on a remarkable expansion. The project started as a co-operative. The membership will increase by 15 to 100 women this year. An Administrative Office has been established with a **Project Co-ordinator**, and a **De-stoning Operator**.

In order to allow for growth into healthcare, education and financing services, the name will change to "**The John Ogbu Memorial Development Fund**". A **Microfinance Village Bank** will be capitalized this year. This bank will provide access to capital/credit to the un-bankable, the poor, and those with limited collateral.

While we were not able to start the Uzoagba Women's Co-operative, we were able to register the AIMS Co-operative in Abia State. As soon as travel restrictions permit, we will travel to Nigeria to kick-start AIMS Co-operative.

2020 COVID-19 Food Relief:

A consequential 2020 operation the Foundation embarked upon, was the COVID-19 Food Relief drive. Nigeria saw a heightened hunger and starvation in the rural areas. From May 2020 to December 2020, we conducted 4 Phases of the Food Drive. African Primary Healthcare Foundation invested in Rice, Beans, Crayfish and Tomatoes for the less privileged.

The first 2 phases targeted Abia and Imo States, each time, providing food for over 3,500 kitchens (households). Averaging 5 people in a family, the food drive targeted at least 17,000 individuals.

In the 3rd and 4th phases, the Abia and Imo State villages as well as the Archdiocese of Owerri benefited. The archdiocese feeds hundreds of families every designated day of the week.

Our gratitude goes to Mrs. Oluchi Ikwulagu, Mr. Uchenna Amanze, Rev. Fr. Simon Anyanwu and Rev. Fr. Basil Nze, who coordinated the purchase and distribution of the food items.

Shelters:

African Primary Healthcare Foundation came to the rescue of two widows to put roofs over the heads of the families. APHF is donating a 4-bedroom bungalow currently under construction to a widow and her children. Another widow was given a year's rent in the city so that she could have room to continue her petty trading in the city.

Charitable Donations:

We continued our support for numerous non-profit organizations like; Government Secondary School Alumni Association in America (GSSAAA)

Association of Owerri Girls Secondary School Alumnae, USA (AOGSSA) Association of Nigerian Physicians in the Americas (ANPA) Underprivileged Lives Matter Hippolyte Foundation.

A common theme for these charities is education and uplifting the underprivileged.

2021 Budget:

As challenging as things have been, we look forward in this 2021 to providing free healthcare and healthcare education to the indigent persons of Africa and the African Diaspora community. We will continue to provide educational scholarships, skills/talent development and apprenticeship for the disadvantaged and indigent gifted persons as opportunities arise.

It is unrealistic that African Primary Healthcare Foundation will carry out any Medical Missions this year. But in order to alleviate the sufferings of the sick and poor, we are collaborating with other Foundations and hospitals in Nigeria to fund the medical services rendered to the helpless patients. In this regard, we have budgeted \$75,000.00.

We will continue our effort to alleviate hunger and malnutrition, housing for widows, providing clean water and other needs as may arise in the communities. For these efforts, we have budgeted \$100,000.

As we continue to advocate and encourage education, we identify more candidates who hunger for academic excellence but can't afford the cost. We have also provided \$30,000.00 to support the students who we are already caring for and those that we will add to the pool.

We plan to continue our Charitable-giving. On our list this year are the following Charitable Organizations:

Government College Umuahia	\$ 2,000.00
Association of Nigerian Physicians in The Americas	\$ 5,000.00
Government Secondary School Afikpo Alumni Association	\$20,000.00
Association of Owerri Girls Secondary School Alumnae USA	\$20,000.00

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