

LGPF BROCHURE | 2022



La Géniale Perle Foundation (LGPF) was registered with Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) in August 2021 by Uche Janie Nweje as a Not-for-profit organization in order to impact human lives in the society especially the Girl-Child. This initiative was inspired by her personal experiences growing up as a girl-child in a very difficult environment having the lowest possible means of survival yet pulled through due to her doggedness, focus, zeal, and commitment. She wants to give back to the society through LGP Foundation and encourage other children who might be experiencing similar challenges and help to prevent parents from making some avoidable mistakes that exposes the girl child to sexual abuse, early marriage, premature deaths caused by teenage pregnancy or abortions. LGPF offers educational support from start to finish to the impoverished girl-child and boys in order to prepare them for a great future. She has impacted lives through support, outreaches, and advocacy within the Nigerian states. Over 20 girl child and boys have been offered scholarship from primary to secondary schools through the foundation since inception in March 2021 and her dream is to impact lives not just locally but also internationally.

ABOUT US

La Géniale Perle Foundation (LGPF) is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) whose initiative is to bring hope to underprivileged children, providing them with well-rounded education thereby raising a generation of change agents and nation builders while giving a higher percentage of our focus on the Girl Child and underprivileged Women in Africa.

LGPF provides educational support to the orphaned and impoverished children by offering them scholarship from Nursery school to the University Level irrespective of their origin or religion. We work with communities, governments and members of society to remove barrier to girls' education and promote gender equality in education in most challenging settings. Our scholarship programmes support day and boarding where we provide shelter, feeding, clothing, primary healthcare, and general welfare to our beneficiaries, i.e., girls and boys.

LGPF is committed to ensuring special protection for the disadvantaged children. At LGPF, our operation is free of discrimination. The most disadvantaged children are given the greatest priority in everything we do. We aim to promote equal rights of women and girls and to support their full participation in economic, social, and political development of their communities.

Where Work



Our Vision

To have a world where every Girl-Child is giving equal opportunity to learn, improve, grow and reach their full potentials, achieve their desired goals and aspirations in life.

Our Mission

To give the Girl-Child wings to fly to a world of endless opportunities through quality education, career mentorship, and skills acquisition schemes and build a society void of early marriage pressure, illicit exploitations, sexual abuse, and substance abuse for the Girl-child using strategic tools of advocacy, education, and empowerment.

Aims & Objectives

We seek to ensure that all girls and boys complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education leading to relevant and effective learning outcomes. This foundation will aide to eliminate gender disparity in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education especially for the women and girls. Our core aims and objectives are:

- 1. To bring hope to the underprivileged children
- 2. To provide underprivileged children with a well-rounded education
- 3. To increase the awareness of the privileged children of the need to participate in community service initiatives
- 4. To raise a generation of change agents and nations builders
- 5. To provide valuable and life changing mentorship to the girl child
- 6. To improve the educational outcomes of the underprivileged children by enhancing the quality of output from the teachers through appropriate professional development programmes.
- 7. To provide early childhood development and education training in for parents and caregivers
- 8. To work towards the protection and empowerment of women and girls in all spheres of public and private life so that they realize their full potential in a just and unbiased society
- 9. To provide a supportive environment that educates and inspires the indigent girls in Nigeria.

Who is a Girl Child?

According to UNICEF the girl-child is a biological female offspring from birth to eighteen (18) years of age. This is the age before one becomes young adult. This period covers the crèche, nursery or early childhood (0 – 5 years), primary (6 – 12 years) and secondary school (12 – 18 years). During this period, the young child is totally under the care of the adult who may be her parents or guardians and older siblings. It is made up of infancy, childhood, early and late adolescence stages of development. During this period, the girl-child is malleable, builds and develops her personality and character. She is very dependent on the significant others, those on whom she models her behaviour, through observation, repetition, and imitation. Her physical, mental, social, spiritual, and emotional developments start and progress to get to the peak at the young adult stage.

Why is Education Our Focus?

Education is the process of providing information to an inexperienced person to help him/her develop physically, mentally, socially, emotionally, spiritually, politically and economically. Education is the process through which individuals are made functional members of their society (Ocho, 2005). It is a process through which the young acquire knowledge and realizes their potentialities and uses them for self-actualization, to be useful to self and others. It is a means of preserving, transmitting, and improving the culture of the society. In every society education connotes acquisition of something good, something worthwhile.

Education is one of the fundamental rights of individuals. Article 26 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in December, 1949 stipulated that:

- Everyone has the right to education. This shall be free at least in the elementary and primary stages.
- Elementary education shall be compulsory while technical and professional education shall be made generally available.
- Higher education shall be equally accessible to all on the basis of merit.
- Parents have a prior right to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their children (Nwangwu, 1976).

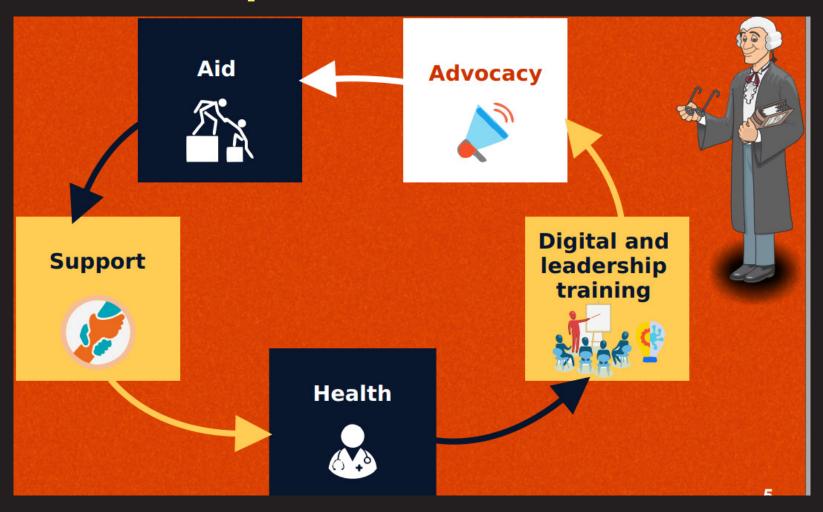
Why Should Everyone Have The Right To Education?

- 1. The child is born helpless and must rely entirely on parents and other older members of the society to survive and satisfy her growth needs in all their ramifications.
- 2. The degree and quality of participation in the life of the society depends to a large extent on the degree and quality of her education. This will enable her perform her political and other citizenship duties and exercise the rights pertaining thereto effectively.
- 3. Since every citizen benefits from the result of the education of her fellow citizen and since every generation receives its education from an older generation, every generation has a duty to reciprocate by educating the generation that comes after it. (Ocho, 1988).

Why is a Greater Percentage of our Focus on the Girl-Child?

There is a saying that "educate a man, you educate an individual, but educate a woman, you educate a nation" The above summarizes the essence of education to the girl-child and indeed, to every educable human being, and so calls for special attention to be focused on education of the girl-child. No nation can afford to toy with the education of her citizens, especially, the child, who will be the father or mother of tomorrow, because education is the bedrock of all facets of development. Children are future leaders of tomorrow and mothers are guardians of the future, and the first aim of every family and society should be to raise healthy and productive individuals who are physically, psychologically, socially, and mentally well developed. These can be achieved through the education of the girl-child who is the mother of tomorrow.

How We Operate



Easter 2022 Mpape Abuja Community Outreach for Orphans & Widows

Over 300 persons were reached out to at the Mpape community both women, boys and girls were in attendance at the palace of the village Chief and all received bags of rice, clothing materials and all sorts of gifts for celebrate the season











Easter 2022 Mpape Abuja Community Outreach for Orphans and Widows

International Women's Day Sensitization & Advocacy Visit to LEA Nur/Pri Sch. Gwarinpa

Theme: Eradicating harmful practices that violates the rights of women and the girl child. The best we all can offer our children is a world void of harmful practices that hinders their growth & affects their future

LGPF was supported by Institute of Human Virology Nigeria and OCI foundation for this activity and Over 1000 pupils and teachers were in attendance.

The sensitization was impactful the children received teachings on gender base violence and how to prevent, and report sexual abuse. They also received gifts such as school bags, school shoes and sandals, water bottles, female hygiene packs which contains sanitary pads, mirror, comb, tooth brush, hanky, etc.













International Women's Day Outreach at LEA Nursery and Primar y School, Gwarinpa

PROGRESS REPORT Kaduna South Outreach

The executive director visited some selected homes in a village in Kaduna South. During her bi-monthly community outreach where she identified four out of school children on March 12th 2021. She had met these children playing while other kids were in school and decided to probe further to find of why they were not in school, the children had informed her they were because there was no money for them to return to school since the Covid-19 break was over. Her visit to the community was to confirm the claims of these children and which happened to be true. The Children were all offered scholarships and provided every necessity they needed for their return to school like the school bus service to drop and pick them from home, school bags, school wears, books and so much more.







Kado-Bimco Community Visit

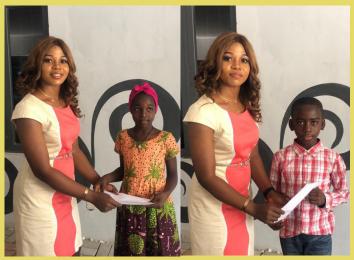
The foundation visited Kado-Bimco community in Gwarimpa on the 20th of March 2021 with the aim of identifying families with children who were out-of-school after the Covid-19 pandemic. We offered welfare support from house to house. Food items were distributed as well as cash gifts, some motivational speech was given to encourage the families whose state of habitations was not so good. During this outreach we discovered a grandmother who lived alone with her two grandsons, their father her only son had died in an accident and their mum abandoned the children with her and remarried. We offered her cash gifts and food items as well, we also identified two out of schoolgirls from a very poor background. All of these children were offered scholarships afterwards till date the foundation takes care of their educational welfare. A couple of people were in attendance as well as the Executive Director of La Geniale Perle Foundation, Miss Uche Janie Nweje, Onyediakchi Kalu and many others.

The families were very happy they expressed their gratitude to have received a rare kind of love from the foundation and most happy that their children would have the opportunity to return back to school after months of staying at home after the Covid 19-pandemic.



Launching of Foundation & Scholarship Awards

The Foundation was officially launched on the 12th June 2021 and we decided to utilize the launching opportunity to reach out to underprivileged children and offer scholarships to the identified out-of-school children. About 4 children were identified and offered scholarship on the launch date and shared gift items to the other children in attendance with their parents.





Gwarimpa LEA Primary School Visit

The executive Director visited the Gwarimpa LEA primary school on the 14th of December 2021 to pay the tuition fees of some the children sponsored by the foundation and to ensure they picked up their study books that were paid for. She also visited some classes where she was informed of some good-performed pupils who had challenges with their school fees and have not been able to meet up and as a result may likely miss their exams. The head mistress expressed her gratitude for her pupils taken care of by the foundation and requested that if other children who are need of such assistance can also be considered by the foundation subsequently.





Christmas Orphanage Outreach

There was a huge orphanage outreach by this foundation on the 19th of December 2021. The aim of the orphanage outreach was to celebrate the season of love with the orphaned children and offer sensitization. We shared food items and cash gifts with the Osaze Orphanage home. Many other families in Gwarinpa were also beneficiaries of this outreach.







Medical Intervention







Shalom undergoing treatment

After Treatment

List of Some Schools & Orphanages We Support with Tuition Fees in Nigeria

- 1. LEA NUR/PRI SCH. Abuja
- 2. Excellers Grace Academy Kaduna
- 3. Great Achievers NUR/PRI. SCH Abuja
- 4. CEFN Nur/Prim Sch and Day care Abuja
- 5. Trenod INT'L school Abuja
- 6. Kaduna State Polytechnic
- 7. Osaze We Care Foundation



Humanitarian Ambassadorial Award

LOOKING FOWARD

- 1. Sensitization and advocacy in schools, communities, media and other platforms against harmful practices that affect the girl child in the society, starting with Valentine's Day 14th of February 2022 followed by the International Women's Day, March 2022 respectively.
- 2. Skills acquisition skills for the girl child including public speaking, ICT, handcrafts, hairdressing, tailoring and others in April and August 2022.
- 3. Community outreach Kado-Kuchi village, IDP Camps in Abuja.
- 4. Projecting our voice 2022 Agenda. We have mapped out some key stakeholders to visit either in the government, non-government and the private sector to seek for partnership to achieve our objectives. This we hope to achieve between February and March 2022.
- 5. We are also open to collaboration that will project and promote education for the girl child nationally and internationally and also help in sensitization for the male audience both the social and digital world on the value for the female gender in all sectors.
- 6. We plan to build a free primary and secondary school within the next 10 years.

FUNDING

The foundation since inception have leveraged on the gracious benevolence of the Executive Director, friends, and few Well-meaning Nigerians. The organizations have not been able to take on bigger projects in her first year due to paucity of funds.

We are seeking to expand our areas of funding to include grants from local and international donors, donations from private companies and individuals, government agencies & parastatals, and others.

OUR TEAM

Uche Janie Nweje Executive Director

Chukwudi Uche Board Member

Ogechukwu Ejekwo Community Organizer

Onyedikachi Daniel Development Coordinator

Thomas Emmanuel Aide Supervisor

Dr. Bayo Ekosanmi Manager, Case Management (Volunteer)

Ibrahim Wakawa Finance Advisor I (Volunteer)

Solomon Raphael Finance Advisor II (Volunteer)

Egbinne Marcel Legal Adviser (Volunteer)

Juliana Ekpe Social Media Coordinator (Volunteer)

DONATIONS

In case you wish to support any of our projects through cash donations, kindly use our project account details as stated below:

Account Name: La Géniale Perle Foundation

Account Number: 06653002841 (NGN)
Bank: Guaranty Trust Bank

Account Name: La Géniale Perle Foundation

Account Number: 0665541484 (USD)
Bank: Guaranty Trust Bank

Account Name: La Géniale Perle Foundation

Account Number: 0665541491 (GBP)
Bank: Guaranty Trust Bank

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La Géniale Perle Foundation appreciates you for your immense support to promoting this course. Thank you for your support in various ways.

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