



2025 Annual Impact Report



THE SPECIAL YOUTH
LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION



**“Every Child Is
Your Child, Every
Child Has A Right
To Dream”**

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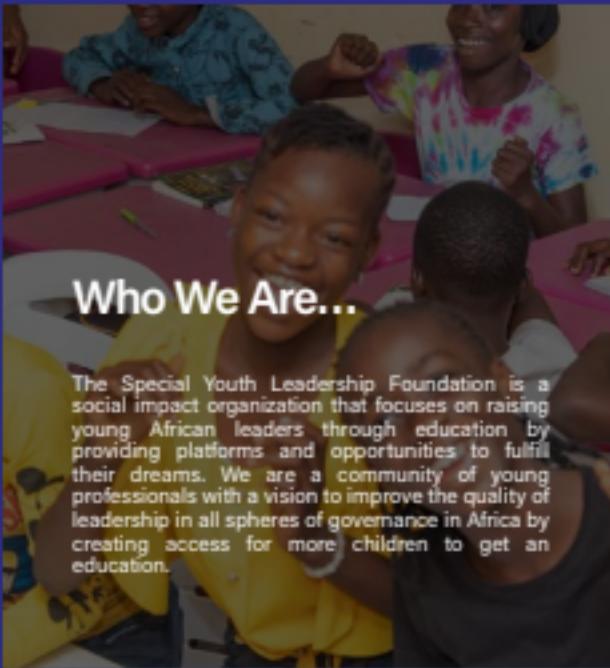
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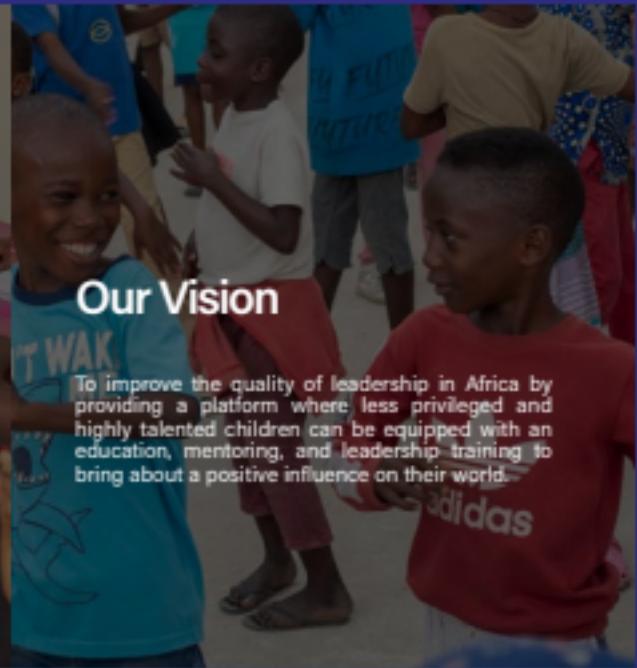
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Who We Are...

The Special Youth Leadership Foundation is a social impact organization that focuses on raising young African leaders through education by providing platforms and opportunities to fulfill their dreams. 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.



Our Vision

To improve the quality of leadership in Africa by providing a platform where less privileged and highly talented children can be equipped with an education, mentoring, and leadership training to bring about a positive influence on their world.

Our Mission

"Making dreams come true."

We dream of an Africa where more young people have access to an education and the essential tools that provide them with a foundation to be positive change agents to their respective communities, the African continent, and the World.



OUR PROGRAMS

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Inspire Scholarship Program

The Inspire Scholarship provides financial support for children of low-income earners, orphaned children, and families that have lost a breadwinner. It targets primary and secondary school students, covering tuition, uniforms, books, stationery, and lunch through direct payments to schools. This initiative is a continuous scholarship that ensures disadvantaged children have access to quality education.



Special Scholarship Program

The Special Scholarship is merit-based and supports gifted students under 21 for local tertiary education. It covers tuition, books, and study materials, focusing on fostering exceptional talent. This program aims to empower bright young minds to excel academically and professionally.



Mentorship/Career Day Program

This program connects professionals with students to share career insights and life skills. Experts provide guidance on career paths, workplace success, and personal development through relatable stories. The program helps students make informed career choices while gaining inspiration for future opportunities.



Special Summer School Program

The Special Summer School Program offers a free, 4-6 week intellectual and practical experience for underprivileged children in Nigeria. Over 5,000 students engage in activities like mental mathematics, critical thinking, creative writing, and public speaking. It also promotes patriotism and national values, shaping students into future leaders.



School Build Program

This program addresses the lack of infrastructure in African public schools by building or renovating schools in underserved communities. It provides safe, quality learning environments, including desks, chairs, and improved ventilation. Local contractors and materials are used to support local economies.



Lifelong Development Program

The Lifelong Program ensures continuous development for children supported by the foundation. It includes mentorship, leadership training, and community involvement, fostering long-term personal and professional growth. An alumni network provides ongoing support and opportunities for lifelong success.



SDG GOALS

At The Special Foundation, we empower Africa's young people through expanded access to education and skills development. Operating in a region where over 70% of the population is under 30, our programs align with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals to drive inclusive, lasting impact.





FROM THE FOUNDER'S DESK

Dear Partners,

As we close 2025, I reflect with deep gratitude on what we have accomplished together at The Special Foundation. This year reaffirmed what is possible when over **400 partners** come together as one community, driven by shared values, sustained commitment, and belief in every child's potential.

Across all our programs, we reached over **62,623 children** and young people nationwide. Our Special Summer School expanded significantly, reaching **24,500 children** across 14 centers in 9 states. Our scholarship programs also continued to grow supporting **620+ scholars** across 21+ states in partnership with 165+ schools; 98% of these scholars have received continuous support for over 5 years, 56% percent are female, 80% are orphans, and many from highly vulnerable backgrounds. Through this work, we continue to remove financial barriers and keep promising learners in school.

Our mentorship efforts deepened as well, with structured support provided to **560+ students**. We also became the first partner organization to launch Google's Mind the Gap program in Nigeria, engaging 30+ students in an immersive experience that included a visit to Google HQ and expanded their sense of possibility.

The strength of our ecosystem grew in 2025 as we welcomed 30+ new partners, alongside our long standing supporters, further accelerating our collective impact. In recognition of this work, The Special Foundation was honored with both the **Community Voice Award** and the **Gold Anthem Award**, achievements that belong to every partner who believes in this vision.

Partners, you are not simply funding programs. You are shaping futures and expanding opportunity. Thank you for standing with us and for proving that progress accelerates when we move together.

With deep gratitude and steadfast optimism,
Seyi Akinwale



OUR IMPACT STORY

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OVERALL IMPACT NUMBERS

62,623+

Since our
inception in 2018

2025 IMPACT NUMBERS

30,327+

In 2025 alone across
all our programs.



IMPACT NUMBERS

OVERALL
IMPACTED
62,623+

INSPIRE
SCHOLARSHIP
619+

SUMMER
SCHOOL
24,528+

MENTORSHIP
10,165+

SCHOOL
BUILD
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2025 IN NUMBERS: OUR YEAR IN REVIEW

Inspire Scholarship

Empowering **619+** Scholars across **21+** states in Nigeria

155+ Schools Partnering to Shape Tomorrow's Leaders

98% of Our Scholars Have Been Under Continuous Support
for **5+ Years**

Breaking Gender Barriers Nationwide 56% Female Scholars

across Northern and Southern Nigeria Expanding access to education and leadership opportunities for girls.

Inclusive Support for Boys and Young Men 44% Male Scholars

across Northern and Southern Nigeria Ensuring equitable education for boys in underserved communities.

Powered by Long-Term Believers 75+ Inspire Scholarship Sponsors – and growing

Sustaining multi-year educational support for scholars nationwide.

Community-Level Transformation 300+ Communities Impacted

Driving educational progress across rural and urban regions.



AGES 2-7:
138 children
(33%)

AGES 8-12:
172 children
(42%)

AGES 13-26:
102 young adults
(25%)

Reaching Learners at Every Stage Age Distribution of Inspire Scholars:

Supporting the Most Vulnerable 80% of Our Scholars Are Orphans

Providing consistent education, mentorship, and stability where it is needed most.



GROWTH NUMBERS

Growth Numbers

2025: 620+ Children

Special Summer School

2025: 24,500 in 14+ centers

School Build Program

2025: 2 Projects

2025 GROWTH NUMBERS

2022: 10,000+

2023: 21,000+

2024: 33,439+

2025: 62,623+

Inspire Scholarship

2022:	386+ Children
2023:	458+ Children
2024:	560+ Children
2025:	610+ Children

Mentorship Program

2022:	700+ Children
2023:	5,000+ Children
2024:	4,000+ Children
2025:	4,600+ Children

Special Summer School

2022:	3 Centers
2023:	6 Centers
2024:	8 Centers
2025:	14 centers

School Build Program

2022:	1 Projects
2023:	5 Projects
2024:	11 Projects
2025:	14 Projects



2025 PROGRAM IMPACT

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INSPIRE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Since officially welcoming our first child in 2016, the Inspire Scholarship Program has grown into a groundbreaking initiative empowering children to reach their fullest potential. Open to children from all communities and cultures, and free from discriminatory barriers, Inspire ensures access to quality education for those who need it most. The program currently supports the education of 619 children from underserved communities, of which 80% are orphaned.

Partnering with 155 schools and supported by 75 sponsors, the initiative spans 300 communities across 21 States in Nigeria. With 56% of scholars being female and 44% male, the program continues to promote gender equality across the northern and southern hemispheres. Each child receives unwavering support throughout their educational journey up to secondary school, fostering a brighter future for themselves and their communities.

Scholars : **619** Male : **272** Female : **346** States : **21** Schools : **155**



SPECIAL SUMMER SCHOOL

The Special Youth Leadership Foundation successfully implemented the 2025 Special Summer School Program across 14 centres in 9 states, including Ikota, Makoko, Ikoyi, Mafoluku, and Bariga (Lagos); Magbore and Ota (Ogun); Kuje (Abuja); Minna (Niger); Owerri (Imo); Makurdi (Benue); Ikire (Osun); Zaria (Kaduna); and Irua (Edo).

This intensive 4-6-week program offered practical skill-building in areas such as soap making, tailoring, coding, catering, leadership, and entrepreneurship for children from Primary to Secondary levels. Fully funded by the Foundation and its partners, it reached 24,500 children, equipping them with lifelong skills while fostering creativity, teamwork, and confidence.

Beyond skills, the program ignited curiosity, inspired dreams, and strengthened community bonds, transforming learning into an exciting adventure. Each child left with not only new knowledge but also the belief that their potential is limitless. With this remarkable impact as a foundation, the program is set to expand even further, reaching 20 centres in 2026 and touching the lives of thousands more young learners across the country.

Results : **14 Centers**

Beneficiaries : **24,500+**

States : **9 States**





MENTORSHIP PROGRAM



The Mentorship Program continues to empower young learners by providing access to guidance, skills development, and inspiring interactions with experienced professionals. This year, students benefited from Google's **Mind the Gap** program at Google HQ and hands-on mentorship sessions at **Birrel Avenue Senior High School** and **Omar Faisal Senior High School** through the **Rising Minds** Initiative, gaining exposure to STEM, leadership, and practical skills.



PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

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EDUCATION OUTREACH WITH GOOGLE

Through our partnership with **Google**, the **Mind the Gap** program gave over 30 students the opportunity to visit **Google HQ**, participate in interactive workshops, and engage with technology in meaningful ways. The program exposed students to innovative tools and practical applications, broadening their understanding of careers in technology and fostering a culture of curiosity and problem-solving.

The collaboration also provided mentorship sessions where students interacted with professionals, asked questions, and explored pathways to further education and skill development. This initiative continues to inspire students to embrace digital skills, think creatively, and envision careers that were previously out of reach, laying the foundation for future leaders in tech.



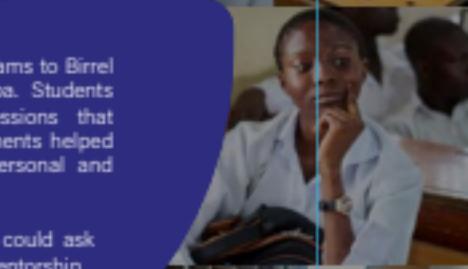
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MENTORSHIP WITH RISING MINDS INITIATIVE



In partnership with the Rising Minds Initiative, we delivered mentorship programs to Birrel Avenue Senior High School and Omar Fisal Senior High School in Yaba. Students participated in workshops, one-on-one mentoring, and interactive sessions that encouraged leadership, critical thinking, and self-confidence. These engagements helped young learners explore their potential and gain practical guidance for personal and academic growth.



The program also created a platform for open discussions, where students could ask questions, express themselves, and receive tailored advice. By combining mentorship with skills development, the initiative equips students with the knowledge, motivation, and tools they need to succeed, reinforcing our commitment to nurturing the next generation of leaders.



<https://youtu.be/oXRv2SGB0NQ>



RENOVATION OF ST. FRANCIS JUNIOR GRAMMAR SCHOOL LIBRARY

St. Francis Junior Grammar School faced the challenge of limited learning spaces and resources for its students. Recognizing the need for a dedicated hub for reading and exploration, we embarked on the renovation and creation of the St. Francis Junior Grammar School Library, transforming it into a vibrant, student-friendly learning environment.

The project included the installation of new furniture, bookshelves, reading corners, and engaging learning materials, renovating a space that encourages curiosity, creativity, and collaboration. Today, the library serves over 850 students, providing them with a safe, inspiring, and well-equipped atmosphere to foster learning and imagination.



<https://youtube.be/MmBZZWWhKoU>

— THE MORE WE READ THE BETTER WE GET



THOUGHT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2025

In May 2025, we convened educators, partners, and sector leaders for our annual Thought Leadership Summit—a platform designed to foster dialogue, collaboration, and shared learning around education access and long-term impact.

The summit brought together diverse perspectives to examine challenges within the education ecosystem and explore practical, forward-looking solutions. Through focused discussions and knowledge exchange, the event reinforced our commitment to systems-level thinking and collective action in shaping the future of learning.



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PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS



THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND GOOGLE

We are excited to continue our partnership with Google through its **Mind the Gap** education outreach program, empowering young students to explore technology and innovation like never before. In 2025, over **30 students** had the opportunity to visit Google HQ and engage in hands-on learning experiences, broadening their horizons and inspiring the next generation of leaders in tech.

Our collaboration with Google continues to grow stronger, and we look forward to deepening this partnership in the years ahead. Together, we are committed to creating meaningful opportunities for young learners, fostering creativity, critical thinking, and digital skills that will shape the future of education in Nigeria.

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135 languages, with just a few clicks.

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THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND GARDAWORLD

We are thrilled to celebrate our partnership with GardaWorld and the incredible impact of their 2025 support at St. Francis Junior Grammar School! Together, we renovated classrooms and launched the St. Francis Library, creating a dynamic space where 850+ students can explore, learn, and grow. The school is now buzzing with energy, curiosity, and inspiration, thanks to this transformative collaboration.



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GARDAWORLD SECURITY



THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND STERLING ONE FOUNDATION

In partnership with Sterling One Foundation and as part of her birthday initiative, Sterling Bank's CEO, Abubakar Suleiman's 10-year-old daughter, Asma, raised over N10 million for charity and donated N1.2 million to support The Special Foundation's work, demonstrating the powerful role young people can play in driving social impact.

In addition, Sterling One Foundation continues to support the educational goals of underprivileged children in Nigeria, actively sponsoring 30 students through the Inspire Scholarship program, providing sustained support that enables beneficiaries to remain in school and continue their education.



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THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND MACADAMS BAKING SOLUTIONS

At the **2025 Special Summer School**, Macadams Baking Solutions trained **100** children at **Roydek Academy in Makoko** in practical baking skills. The sessions encouraged creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving, equipping young learners with hands-on experience and confidence to explore entrepreneurial opportunities.

This collaboration reflects a shared commitment to equipping young learners with both practical skills and the mindset to pursue opportunities beyond the classroom. By combining education with entrepreneurship, Macadams Baking Solutions helped create experiences that inspire growth, innovation, and lasting impact for the children and the community.



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THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND DESCACIO

Descacio partnered with the Special Youth Leadership Foundation to provide back-to-school materials at the Makoko and Ikoyi centres during the 2025 Special Summer School. By supplying essential school items, they helped students start the academic year prepared and confident, reinforcing the importance of access to learning resources for every child.

By addressing these fundamental needs, Descacio helped create an environment where children could focus on growth, curiosity, and education. Their contribution reinforced the value of partnership in equipping young learners with the tools to thrive both inside and outside the classroom.



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THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND DEVEX



In 2025, The Special Foundation partnered with Devex on a paid advertising feature designed to spotlight our work and expand visibility among a global development audience. The advertisement highlighted our mission, programs, and approach to education access, positioning our work within broader conversations on development and social impact. The partnership demonstrated how strategic media placements can support awareness-building and extend the reach of education-focused initiatives.



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Development for All



THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND KUDDY COSMETICS

Kuddy Cosmetics engaged children at the Makoko, Magboro, and Ota centres during the 2025 Special Summer School, providing hair care products and grooming training. The initiative taught practical hair care techniques while promoting hygiene, confidence, and self-expression, supporting holistic development for young learners.

Through this collaboration, Kuddy Cosmetics helped empower young learners with practical skills and personal care knowledge, reinforcing the importance of wellness and self-confidence. Their support highlights the role of partnerships in nurturing holistic development for children across our programs.



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THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND BELOXXI, UAC FOODS, NIGERIAN BOTTLING COMPANY, AND DE MILLER FARMS

Beloxxi supported the 2025 Special Summer School by providing refreshments to keep children energized and engaged at select centres. UAC Foods, Nigerian Bottling Company, and De Miller Farms also contributed, ensuring students enjoyed nutritious snacks and drinks throughout the program. Their combined efforts created a more vibrant and nurturing learning environment, demonstrating the impact of collaborative partnerships on the well-being and overall experience of young learners.



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THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND ELSIE JINADU FOUNDATION

The Special Youth Leadership Foundation partnered with the Elsie Jinadu Foundation to support 11 children through a dedicated feeding initiative designed to provide consistent, nutritious meals. This collaboration focused on ensuring that children in vulnerable circumstances had access to daily food support, reducing the burden on families and creating a more stable environment for learning and well-being.



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THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION AND TRINITY PHOENIX CHARITY FOUNDATION

The Special Youth Leadership Foundation is pleased to announce a funding partnership with Trinity Phoenix Charity Foundation to support our Inspire Scholarship Program for 2026. This collaboration will provide scholarships to 30 children, covering tuition and learning materials to ensure that young scholars can pursue their education without financial barriers.





CELEBRATING SPECIAL MOMENTS WITH

THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION



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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS





2025 ANTHEM AWARDS RECOGNITION



We are proud to share that The Special Youth Leadership Foundation was selected from over 10,000 applications to receive a scholarship to participate in the Anthem Awards, where we went on to win both the Gold Award and the Community Voice Award. This achievement reflects the collective effort of our partners, volunteers, team members, and communities who continue to believe in the power of access, opportunity, and collaboration.



The Anthem Awards celebrate purpose-driven organizations creating measurable social impact, and this recognition affirms the reach and relevance of our mission. Above all, it belongs to the children and young people at the heart of our work and to every partner who has walked this journey with us. Together, we are building pathways that empower the next generation and create lasting change.



GLOBAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

We are thrilled to announce that both The Special Foundation and our founder, Seyi Akinwale, were honored at the Global Recognition Awards, celebrating outstanding leadership and social impact. This recognition highlights the dedication, vision, and transformative work that have positioned the Foundation as a leader in advancing education and youth development across Nigeria.



The Global Recognition Awards acknowledge individuals and organizations driving meaningful change on a global scale. This dual honor not only celebrates our achievements but also underscores the power of partnership, community, and relentless commitment to empowering young minds. It is a testament to what can be accomplished when vision meets action.



**SPECIAL
SPOTLIGHTS**

IFEOMA OKPALA AINA'S CELEBRATING WITH PURPOSE DRIVE

In 2025, Ifeoma Okpala Aina marked her birthday by launching the Celebrating with Purpose drive in support of The Special Foundation. The initiative was designed to transform a personal milestone into a collective act of giving, with a focus on keeping children in school.

The drive set a fundraising goal of ₦15,000,000, aimed at supporting access to education and ensuring continuity of learning for children from underserved communities. Through this effort, **₦6,509,410** was raised in support of our Inspire Scholarship program.



VOLUNTEERS HIGHLIGHT

Our volunteers play a vital role in bringing learning, care, and community to life across our programs. At the Ikoyi centre, Mrs. Popoola created moments of joy and connection by bringing toys and games and engaging children alongside her own. At the Mafoluku centre, Mrs. Demuren taught, played, and learned with the children, supported by her own children, who also joined in teaching and activities.

At the Kuje centre, volunteers Hauwa and Miwa led sessions on public speaking and storytelling, helping young stewards build confidence and find their voices. Beyond physical spaces, our volunteer WhatsApp community provides year-round support through coordination, idea-sharing, and collective problem-solving, strengthening our work across programs.

We also celebrate partners who extend opportunities beyond volunteering. Through one such partnership, John, a Special Summer School alumnus, completed a two-week internship at Sapphire Nigeria Limited, demonstrating how volunteer and partner engagement can open real-world pathways for young people.

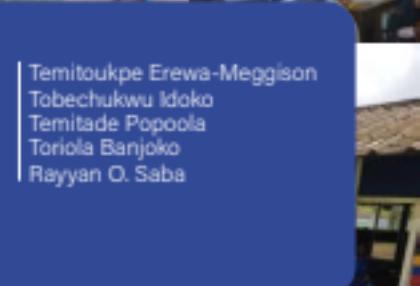


YOUNG VOLUNTEERS HIGHLIGHT

Young volunteers brought energy, leadership, and generosity to the Special Summer School across centres in Ikoyi, Ikota, and Mafoluku. We give special recognition to the teenagers from Rockstars at Kindness, who painted two classrooms at the Ikota center.

We also celebrate young leaders such as Toriola Banjoko, who taught French at Hope Primary School, and Ayomide Babatunde-Dada, who supported mathematics lessons and led games during the regular school term. During the Special Summer School, Eziolachi Anusim, co-founder of Rockstars at Kindness, and Amal Abdusalam (@amalartf) facilitated art sessions that encouraged creativity and self-expression. Together, their contributions highlight the powerful role young people play in driving impact.





Andrew Demuren
Anthony Demuren
Amal Abdulsalam
Ayomide Babatunde-Dada
Eziolachi Anusim
Chilemam Anusim
Mofeoluwa Akinwale

Mojola Akinwale
Naim I. Saba
Nimi Popoola
Nabil Abdulsalam
Olufayohan Famuyide
Olufoyehan Famuyide
Oluwapelumi Mary Adeoye

Temitoukpe Erewa-Meggison
Tobechukwu Idoko
Temitade Popoola
Toriola Banjoko
Rayyan O. Saba



GIVING TUESDAY CAMPAIGN AND FESTIVAL

As part of Giving Tuesday, we launched the Giving Tuesday Giving Circle campaign, raising over **₦4 million** toward our ₦10 million target. These contributions directly support scholarships and mentorship programs, demonstrating how collective generosity can transform lives and strengthen communities.

The Special Youth Leadership Foundation participated in the 2025 Giving Tuesday Festival, hosted by Giving Tuesday Nigeria, reaching over 450 children through workshops, interactive programs, and community engagement. The festival highlighted our work, strengthened connections with supporters, and celebrated the spirit of giving that drives meaningful change.





Behind our programs and milestones in 2025 were real moments of learning, growth, and transition. These stories highlight how access to opportunity, practical exposure, and sustained support translated into meaningful outcomes for children and communities we serve.

STORIES THAT SHAPED 2025



THOUGHT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT, MAY 2025

In May 2025, we convened educators, partners, and sector leaders at our Thought Leadership Summit to engage in critical conversations on the future of education. The summit provided a platform for collaboration, shared learning, and collective problem-solving focused on long-term educational impact.



https://youtu.be/ayHJMvKLJ_M



DESTINY & HELEN: A MILESTONE MOMENT

In 2025, Destiny and Helen—both beneficiaries of our programs—completed their primary school education and transitioned into secondary school. Their progression represents an important academic milestone and reflects the impact of consistent educational support over time.



<https://youtu.be/x2y-SiRUYtcU0>



Our Communications Lead was featured as a guest on the 130-hour radio talk show marathon hosted by O'Daniels, during which he broke the Guinness World Record for the longest marathon hosting a radio talk show. The appearance contributed to national conversations on youth development, education, and social impact, amplifying the work of The Special Foundation.



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IN THE NEWS

In 2025, our work was featured across television and media platforms, helping to expand visibility around our programs and the communities we serve.

HOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL ON EYEWITNESS REPORT

In 2025, our work was featured across television and media platforms, helping to expand visibility around our programs and the communities we serve.



TVC WAKE UP SHOW

A national television appearance spotlighting our work and amplifying conversations around access to quality education.



KALEIDOSCOPE WITH SEYI AKINWALE

A feature exploring our approach to education, storytelling, and long-term impact.



ORGANIZATIONAL UPDATES

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Thought Leadership Summit - Q2 of 2026

The Thought Leadership Summit provides an opportunity for the foundation to share its impactful work with leaders, stakeholders, and diplomats, and also express our gratitude to our incredible partners and volunteers. Details of this event will be communicated soon.



<https://youtu.be/c2y-SIWYtsU0>



2026 TARGET IMPACT

Overall impact:

90,200

Inspire
scholarship
beneficiaries

1,000

7
Years
of Impact

Summer
School Impact

40,500

Mentorship
Program Impact

5,000

THE SPECIAL FOUNDATION FAMILY

Seyi Akinwale
Founder



Chukwuma Nwanze
Co-Founder



Damilola Akinwale
Co-Founder



TEAM MEMBERS

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	Rebi Edoja
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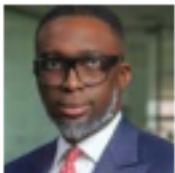
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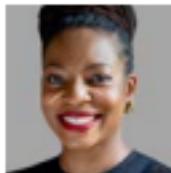
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Lead Environmental Officer, Africa



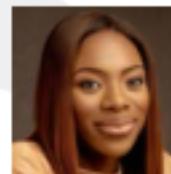
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IN GRATITUDE

Dear Valued Partners,

As we close 2025, I am deeply grateful for the collective impact we have created together. This year alone, our work reached over 62,623 lives, reflecting the strength of a mission powered by a community of committed partners who believe every child deserves the opportunity to thrive.

Your support made it possible to expand the Special Summer School to 14 centres across 9 states, reaching 24,500 children. Through our scholarship programs, over 619+ scholarship beneficiaries continued their education with confidence.

This year, our work also received international recognition in the Anthem Awards, winning both the **Gold Award** and the **Community Voice Award**. Additionally, both The Special Youth Leadership Foundation and I, Seyi Akinwale, were honored at the **Global Recognition Awards** for outstanding leadership and social impact. These achievements underscore the reach, relevance, and influence of our collective mission.

Our impact was strengthened by partners who stood with us and those who joined us this year, alongside our long-standing supporters whose dedication fuels every milestone. With this growing network, we are preparing to scale even further in 2026, reaching more children and deepening our footprint across the country.

Thank you for your trust, generosity, and belief in what we can achieve together. With partners like you, the future is bright, and our shared mission continues with renewed momentum and unwavering hope.

With gratitude,
Seyi Akinwale

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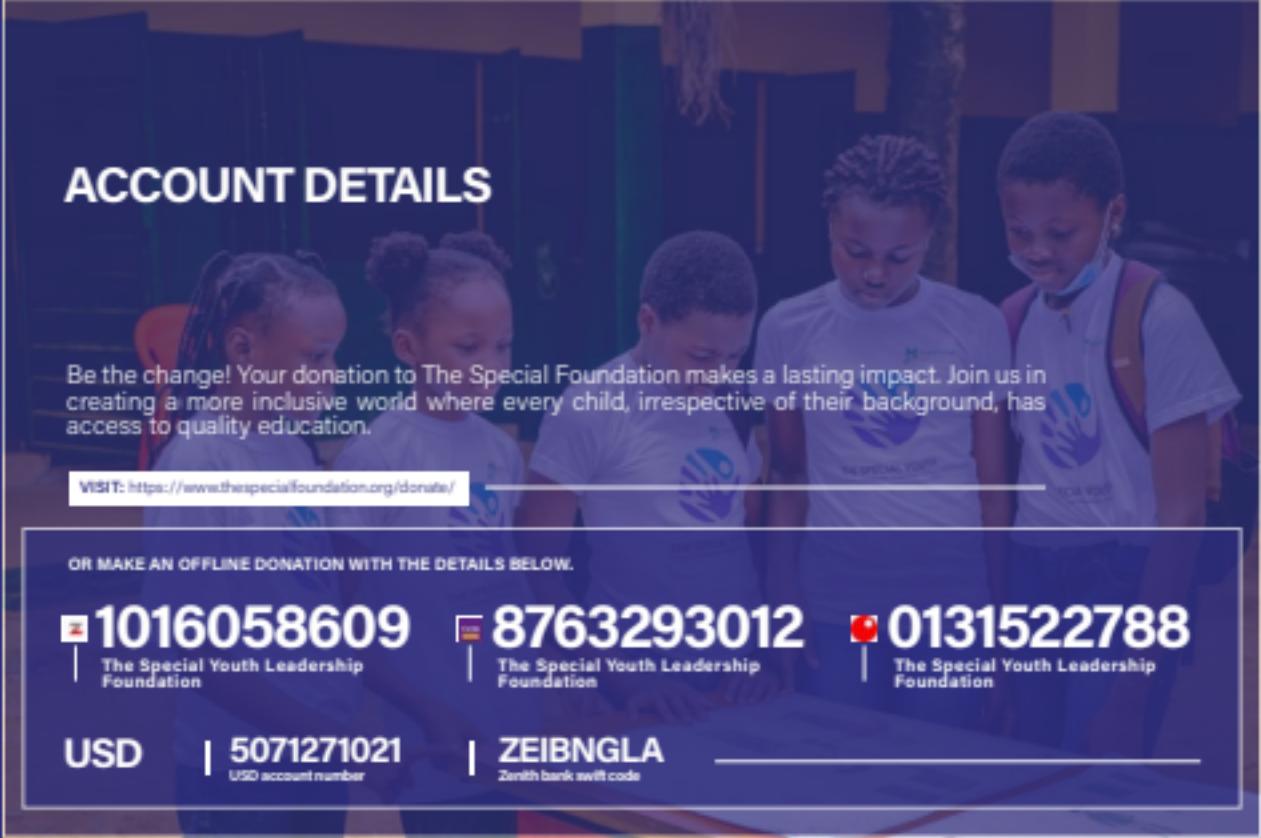


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