



A proposal for funding to support

## **Project MEASAC**

an initiative by **MIL-VISION FOUNDATION**

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## **Project Summary**

Mil-Vision Educational and Skill Acquisition Center (MEASAC) will serve as a center that will provide access to quality after-school prep classes for indigent kids in rural/remote parts of Abuja. Through the assistance of volunteers, our primary focus will be educating these kids through STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). MEASAC will provide an environment where these kids can also acquire relevant skills in areas such as basic programming, and low-level ICT skills to give them a proper foundation in building their careers. MEASAC will also serve as a teacher training center, to help primary school teachers especially those in rural areas acquire the necessary skills they need to impact better on the lives of these kids. Project MEASAC will be a project for the ages. The project will not only help get kids off the streets but will also help these kids with the necessary skills that will alleviate them and their families from poverty and reduce hunger in accordance with goal 1, 2 and 4 of the United Nations sustainable development goals.

## **Organizational Profile**

To reduce the current high number of out-of-school children in Nigeria estimated at 10.5 million by UNICEF, children aged 5-14 years are not in school. Only 61 percent of 6-11 year-olds regularly attend primary school and only 35.6 percent of children aged 36-59 months receive early childhood education.

To combat the menace of illiteracy in Nigeria, Mr. Ibezim Chike Victor the founder of the Mil-Vision Foundation has plans to send 3 million out-of-school children back to school by 2030. Our vision clearly states that by 2030, we will send 3 million out-of-school children in Nigeria back to the

classroom. We recognize that it is a very big task; however, we are committed to achieving this through the goodwill of our partners, adequate monitoring, evaluation and reporting of our activities, as well as, maximally leveraging the individual and collective strengths of our volunteers.

The official launch of the Mil-Vision Foundation took place at LEA Primary School Tunga-Maje Abuja on Thursday, January 10, 2019, thirty-one (31) indigent students benefited from a 100% per cent scholarship covering tuition fee, school uniforms, school bags, and writing materials.

Primary school education is the most important stage in a child's life, if a child is given primary school education, it is easier for such children to speak for themselves, learn skills and live a more responsible life. Our organization remains committed to providing quality education to indigent kids. We understand that education builds a nation. Developed countries today have invested heavily in education and it works for them.

## **Background and Justification**

We have about 30 indigent kids which we currently sponsor in school in northern Nigeria, specifically Abuja, Nigeria. Against this backdrop we also provide these kids with the required after-class program. These classes which are held every Saturday are meant to supplement their normal educational period (Mon-Fri) and are geared toward fast-tracking their educational skills and abilities and also improve the way and manner these kids interact, not only with each other but with other people in their environment.

Since 2019 when we started this after-school program, there has been a considerable improvement in these kids performance, their spoken word

and their general behavioral characteristics has improved a lot. Sequel to not being in school and utilizing the opportunity provided by The Mil-Vision Foundation they now compete in top positions in their various classes and showing significant improvement in their English abilities. This is working and we feel it's the right time to turn this full scale.

## **Problem statement**

Education is a necessity for every child as well as a right. It's also important that the government of every nation do all they can to make sure education is free and that every child has access to quality education no matter where they may be.

It's sad to say that even while education is brought to these kids, the quality of what is being taught will still be a problem. These could be attributed to poor funding, poor teachers Remuneration, lack of continue training and re-training to adopt international best standard. There is a clear difference between going to school "to" learn and going to school "and actually" learning. Research has shown that most kids learn better in a conducive and a more accommodating environment. The teaching techniques in various levels now seem obsolete. Asides books, children should be given an opportunity to learn several skills especially in STEM.

Another point worthy of mentioning is that, developed countries start early to develop skill-set of these kids. They grow to become smart and highly equipped intellectually in their area of skill. They go on to provide employment for others thereby reducing the rate of unemployment and adding value to their community.

## **Project Aim**

To engage and develop the skill set of these kids early enough to kick start a productive life.

## **Project Objective**

The overall objective of this project is to provide an environment where kids can acquire relevant skills in areas such as basic programming, and low-level ICT skills to give them a proper foundation in building their careers. MEASAC will also serve as a teacher training center, to help primary school teachers especially those in rural areas acquire the necessary skills they need to impact better on the lives of these kids.

Specific objectives are to inculcate entrepreneurial skills in the kids early, and engaged them highly in sporting activities, vocational skills training, ICT enterprises and other similar innovative and creative projects.

The first center will be established in the Tungan-Maje area of Abuja and will cover over 4-5 nearby communities. We intend to establish centers in other areas as our impact across the country keeps growing.

## **Project Activities**

**Table 1: Activities Breakdown**

<b>S/NO</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Remark</b>
1.	Selecting Kids according to area of interest/strength	Foundation Kids	29	
2.	Onboarding/departmentalizing them	Foundation Kids	29	
3.	Enlisting and introducing skill	Professional		

	professional Tutors	skilled tutors		
4.	Construction of MEASAC Center Tungan-Meja	Mil-Vision	A block	
5.	Invite Teachers for Training and Re-Training	Tunga-Meje		
6.	Community Service and Visit to Leaders of the Community	Tunga-Meje		
7.	Take in more out of school Children thereby increasing the number of kids	Tungan-Maje and Neighboring community		
8.	Vocational Skill Training	Foundation Kids/Community		
9.	Provision of sporting materials Around the center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Football team</li> <li>• Volley ball team</li> <li>• Table tennis</li> </ul>	Foundation		
10.	Employment of project personnel  Employing of project coordinator			

## Activities of the Project

### 1. Selecting Kids according to area of interest/strength

Sequel to a proper orientation on what we intend to achieve, kids will be properly screened to determine their area of strength, for example kids

with logical and mathematical strength will be considered highly for programming skills.

## **2. Onboarding/Departmentalizing them**

Following the selection stage kids are divided into groups and ushered into their different departments.

## **3. Enlisting and introducing Skilled Professional Tutors**

Skilled professionals to guide and teach the kids will be sorted and availed to the kids, and assigned to the different department.

## **4. Construction of MEASAC Centre Tungan-Maje**

The Project plans to construct a center for the Kids and the community living in and around Tunga-Mega. This will enable Mil-Vision to expand and improve on the educational programs already existing in the Area. The center will constitute a meeting point for the Kids and a center of new activities and new opportunities. The center will comprise, a multipurpose hall, a library books storage room, toilets. The center will accommodate the Training Centre for Teachers, some recreational activities, The MEASAC center will be used to improve the community Engagement, productive and increase their levels of sustainability. The main activities of the center is educating these kids through STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and conducting training for Teachers and also host some activities addressed to the whole community.

## **5. Invite Teachers for Training and Re-training**

The center will serve as platform for teachers to improve their knowledge to meet international standard, we understand the

importance of training and retraining and therefore, this is also top notch to achieve our goal.

#### **6. Community service and visit to the community**

In order to achieve our Dreams the community Leader is pivotal to achieve our purpose, we rely on them for input, recommendations since they know the community and families better than our Team. We will be reaching out to them.

#### **7. Take in more out of school Children thereby increasing the number of kids**

We have estimated to add more than 50 students to the foundation in the first quarter of 2021, this effort resonates with our goal of sending 3 million out of school children to school.

#### **8. Vocational Skill Training**

MEACAS center will help us organize vocational trainings for kids and Youth aged from 12 – 30 years, with the aim of offering vocational skills for job in the following skills areas; tailoring, hair-dress, in which the project will be benefiting tailoring, hairdressing, Computer Training.

#### **9. Provision of sporting Materials Around the Center**

The importance of sport cannot be over Emphasized; Sport develops a sense of friendliness among the children and develops their team spirit. It helps children to develop mental and physical toughness. Sport shapes their body and makes it strong and active. We encourage Children to be actively participating in **sports** to avoid being tired and lethargy.

### **Organization and Management**

This project will be implemented by the Mil-Vision Foundation. Mil Vision Foundation using its own staff and the staff to be employed shall carry out



the activities. The Mil-Vision Foundation shall also monitor the progress of the project on daily basis. Evaluation shall take places involving all stakeholders the collaborating offices are Community Leaders of Tunga Maje, Teachers and Principals. The above group will provide technical support and collaborate in implementing, monitoring and evaluation. The donors are expected to fund the project. Donors also have the responsibility of monitoring the progress and finally evaluate. Community of Tunga-Maje region shall involve from planning to evaluation of the project.

### **Sustainability**

The sustainability of this project will be guaranteed because the project involves the participation and collaboration of all concerned line offices and community. The beneficiaries through training given to them shall handle their business properly. The project in general is expected to reduce unemployment rate, and empower children early enough.

### **Project Input**

Financial input to implement this project a total of \_\_\_\_\_ is needed. This is expected to be obtained from the donors. The following is the budget breakdown.

**Table 2: The budget breakdown**

N O	Activities	Unit	Amount in USD (\$)	Remark
1	Construction Of MEASAC Center			

2	Gadget And Materials For Training			
3	Land Acquisition @ Tunga-Maje Area			
4	Laptop and Desktop Computers			
5	Digital Steel Camera and Moving camera			
6	English and Science literature books			
7	Fax machine, scanner, photo colored printer			
8	Provision of sporting materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Football team / women soccer team</li> <li>• Volley ball team</li> </ul>			
9	Monitoring and evaluation			
10	Photocopy materials and publication			
11	Equipment for skill Acquisition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sewing Machine</li> <li>• Carpentry Tools</li> <li>• Hair dressing Equipments</li> </ul>			
	<b>Grand Total Requested</b>		\$_____	

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