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One of the key objectives of Community Builders for Africa (CBA) is to promote educational access and equity for underprivileged students across the continent.

In line with this core mission, CBA earmarked the sum of \$2,000 to be spent on our annual WAEC Fees Assistance Award project for eligible high school graduating students across Nigeria.

In the 2022 WAEC Fees Assistance Award, CBA was able to pay the WAEC registration fees for a total of 85 beneficiaries in seven states in Nigeria, covering Oyo, Ogun, Osun, Lagos, Ondo, Ekiti, and Kwara States.

We hope that this gesture will serve as an inspiration to the awardees and set them on a firm pedestal for academic advancement and lifelong success.

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The philosophical heartbeat of Community Builders for Africa is to bring together a community of African indigenes who have a heart for charity and wish to channel their collective resources towards making a difference in the lives of African children considered to be underprivileged.

This intention is negotiated around financial empowerment to children whose futures seem to be at stake due to lack of social, economic, emotional and other forms of psychosocial needs.

Community Builders for Africa will rise to the challenges of eligible children in the areas related to food, education, shelter and health.

# WHAT WE DELIVERED IN 2023



WAEC Fees Assistance Award Initiative

### 1. Project Approval

Building on the success of the 2022 WAEC Fees Assistance Award Initiative, Community Builders for Africa (CBA) remained steadfast in supporting students by funding their West African Examinations Council (WAEC) fees in 2023. This initiative aimed to alleviate financial burdens on families and ensure eligible students could sit for their final examinations without monetary constraints.

Continuing the framework from the previous year, each CBA member was given the opportunity to nominate up to five students from their chosen local government area and state in Nigeria.

The initiative covered six states in Nigeria:

- Oyo
- Osun
- Ogun
- Ondo
- Ekiti
- Kwara

This expansion enabled CBA to reach additional students who might otherwise be unable to afford their WAEC registration.





CBA members worked closely with local coordinators and school principals to:

- Identify eligible students based on financial need and academic merit.
- Verify and process candidates' WAEC registration fees.
- Organize a formal presentation of the award to selected beneficiaries.

This collaborative approach ensured that the funds were properly utilized and that deserving students received the necessary financial assistance.



The total expenditure for the 2023 WAEC Fees Assistance Award Initiative was \$2,700, allocated as follows:

#### 1. WAEC Fees Payment:

- Each beneficiary received financial assistance covering their WAEC registration fee.
- The average cost per candidate was approximately \$25.
- A total of 100 beneficiaries were supported across the six states, amounting to \$2,500.

#### 2. Administrative Expenses:

- A portion of the funds was allocated to administrative costs, including coordination, communication, and logistical support.
- The administrative expenses totaled \$200, ensuring the smooth execution of the initiative.

This marked an increase in funding from \$2,000 in 2022 to \$2,700 in 2023, enabling CBA to extend its impact and reach more students.



In 2023, 100 WAEC candidates benefited from the initiative, selected from 25 local government areas across eight states:

State	Number of Beneficiaries
Oyo	15
Osun	10
Ogun	15
Ondo	10
Ekiti	10
Kwara	10
Nasarawa	15
Zamfara	15
Total	100



#### Appendix I – Adjustments for NECO Candidates

As in the previous year, some members reported that certain states had covered WAEC fees for students. To ensure that assistance still reached those in need, CBA held an emergency meeting and approved the redirection of funds to support NECO candidates where necessary.

#### Appendix II - Additional Support by Members

CBA members who were financially capable of supporting additional students beyond their allocated five candidates were encouraged to do so in partnership with CBA. This flexibility allowed for a broader impact across communities.



7. Feedback & Testimonials

Feedback from students, parents, and school administrators was overwhelmingly positive. Many beneficiaries expressed deep gratitude, acknowledging that the financial assistance played a significant role in their ability to sit for the WAEC examination.

Parents particularly appreciated the initiative's consistency, and several school administrators commended CBA for its dedication to educational empowerment.

## Conclusion

The 2023 WAEC Fees Assistance Award Initiative successfully built upon the achievements of 2022, increasing the number of beneficiaries from 85 to 100 and raising total funding from \$2,000 to \$2,700.

The inclusion of Nasarawa and Zamfara States marked a significant milestone, further extending CBA's impact across both southern and northern Nigeria.

This growth demonstrates CBA's unwavering commitment to fostering educational opportunities and supporting financially disadvantaged students. The organization looks forward to further expanding its impact in the coming years.

The 2023 WAEC
Fees Assistance Award
Initiative
\$2,700

Number of beneficiaries increased from 85-100

Number of states

















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