Empowering People for Sustainable Development

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To lend a helping hand to the needy towards the common good of the society.

The Sir Emeka Offor Foundation (SEOF) is a charitable, non-governmental organisation founded by Sir Emeka Offor in the early 1990s and registered under the Companies and Allied Matters Act in 2006 to help people in need become independent and self-sufficient.
Sir Emeka Offor
Executive Vice Chairman, Chrome Group

I want to make my mark. Actually, I want to make two marks. One as an excellent businessman who has built a group of companies that will stand the test of time. Two, to be as good at giving as I am at turning a profit. I hope to set an example for the next generation of successful Nigerian businessmen who will know they can make money while also making a difference.

Sir Emeka Offor, Executive Vice Chairman of the Chrome Group, has extensive domestic and international business experience in numerous sectors of the economy. As a dynamic entrepreneur, he exhibits the strength of character, vision and dedication required to be successful in an often challenging and demanding environment. The Chrome Group was incorporated in 1994 and is a major player in Nigeria and sub-Saharan Africa. Based in Abuja, the Federal Capital of Nigeria, it is a leading conglomerate offering vast experience in oil and gas services, power, dredging, destination inspection, logistics and telecommunications.

The success of The Chrome Group has encouraged Sir Emeka Offor to give back to his community and country. The Sir Emeka Offor Foundation (SEOF) was established in the mid-1990’s as a charitable, non-governmental organization dedicated to helping people in need become independent. The Foundation came into existence to give back to the society and leave a lasting legacy. Sir Emeka Offor has always been driven by the pull to be of help, having experienced deprivation, and having worked his way to the top in business, with a firm belief that life would be more meaningful, if one committed oneself to supporting the weak and downtrodden. "Doing this takes nothing out of us, it rather adds to us as we feel a further sense of fulfillment, through rising to the inaudible call of the needy." The Foundation’s projects are varied, but tied together by a single vision – to help people help themselves. The Foundation is striving to become a model for development efforts in Nigeria and beyond.

About The Founder
The Foundation seeks to alleviate suffering of the less privileged in society and is committed to providing support in the areas of human capacity development, skills acquisition and establishment of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and cooperative societies. The Foundation has affected the lives of many Nigerians through its domestic projects which include:

- Education Programme
- Health Services Programme
- Widows Cooperative Programme
- Youth Empowerment Programme
- Infrastructure Development Programme
- Books For Africa
- Rotary International
- Mainz Hospital Research
- The Carter Centre

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An investment in knowledge pays the best interest. Benjamin Franklin

The Sir Emeka Offor Foundation believes that education is the cornerstone of our future. A multi-faceted approach to education includes a scholarship programme that provides comprehensive university scholarships to academically gifted but economically disadvantaged students. To date, over 120 scholarships have been granted. When a recipient graduates with a first class, the student receives a car and is offered full-time employment within the Chrome Group of Companies. An aggressive programme to build model schools and classrooms and furnish them with access to the internet and modern equipment enables students to learn in a conducive environment. The Sir Emeka Offor Foundation strives to become a model for development efforts across Nigeria in its effort to develop the talents of students to allow them to contribute to society.

Education Programme
He, who opens a school door, closes a prison

Victor Hugo
Without education, people cannot create their own solution.
Sir Emeka Offor
There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure.

Colin Powell
A room without books is like a body without a soul

Marcus Tullius Cicero

Since 2010, Sir Emeka Offor Foundation (SEOF) has committed itself to sponsoring major shipment of books and other educational materials to schools and libraries in Nigeria, Gambia and across the African continent. This effort is in collaboration with Books For Africa (BFA), a non-profit organization based in the United States of America, and is the world’s largest distributor of books to the African continent. SEOF has become BFA’s most important partner in Africa, by sponsoring the shipment of more than a million books worth over 10 million USD to over 18 African countries.
SEOF 2nd book distribution in partnership with Books For Africa
Literacy is the foundation for a good education... Literacy and education are linked to health, wealth, and prosperity

Doug Stone

Sir Emeka Offor through his partnership with Books For Africa (BFA) is gradually and steadfastly changing the destiny of the young African. Since 2011, SEOF has donated $950,000 to BFA to ship 1.7 million books and computers worth over $18 million to millions of children, libraries and community learning centers in 19 African countries, including Nigeria. Sir Emeka is an uncommon African philanthropist, who through his generous giving affirms his goal, which is to help every man, woman and child in Africa learn to read; changing Africa’s future page by page, the vision of SEOF in partnership with Books For Africa.
n endowed chair is among the most important gifts to higher education; it may be established with a sizeable gift to an academic area designated by the donor. In a desire to give back to a society that has been kind to him, Sir Emeka Offor endowed a professorial chair at the faculty of physical sciences, University of Nigeria Nsukka (UNN) to the tune of N20, 000, 000 ($125, 000 USD). It is the wish of Sir Emeka that the research findings from this endowment benefit mankind.

Research, the brick and mortar of a successful education.

Unknown.
It is difficult to be a productive member of the society when you are sick; that is why the Sir Emeka Offor Foundation has invested so much on health services to make the community a better place to live – and a place to live better. Free rural medical consultations allow the underprivileged in the society to gain access to much-needed medical care. This permanent health post gives people security and comfort that medical assistance is always nearby. There is a rising increase in the number of patients taking advantage of the SEOF health scheme; with laboratory tests being run on Mondays and Tuesdays, and free medical treatments on Wednesdays. The number of patients has risen from about 40 at the point of inception, to over 100 on daily basis.
Sir Emeka Offor Foundation donates to flood displaced Victims

Sir Emeka Offor Foundation (SEOF), donated items worth millions of naira to the internally displaced persons (IDPs) by flood in their various camps in Anambra State. The items donated included bags of rice, beans and toiletries, among others.

Besides this, the SEOF also provided medical aid to the victims. The Director, Anambra State Emergency Agency (SEMA) Dr. Nwabufo Ijezie expressed the appreciation of the Anambra State Government through his Agency towards these gestures from SEOF.
With about $250,000 dollar donation to The Carter Center Health Program, SEOF has positioned itself to be a welcome game changer and a co-collaborator in the fight to eliminate River Blindness (RB) in Nigeria.

River Blindness or Onchocerciasis is a disease that affects the eye and skin, which is brought on by a nematode called Onchocerca Volvulus. It is one of the neglected tropical diseases (NTD) with endemicity in South Eastern Nigeria. It is parasitic in nature and is caused by an infection resulting from several bites from a black fly, which are found in areas with fast flowing streams. According to World Health Organization (WHO), 12 countries in Africa are considered endemic with an estimated population of 25 million. Almost half of those numbers live in Nigeria.

Photo by: Bill Vanderdecker
SEOF donated $250,000 to support Rotary International in its role as a lead partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. Sir Emeka Offor, an Arch C. Klumph Society Member of Rotary International, stated, “It is unacceptable that polio continues to infect our children and cause such suffering in Nigeria.” SEOF has also joined with Rotary International to promote conflict resolution and peace. The foundation recently donated $250,000 to the Rotary Peace Center at the Chulalongkorn University in Thailand. The funds will establish an endowment for practitioners and activists from sub-Saharan Africa to pursue graduate-level studies in conflict resolution and peace. This dual purpose of the fellowship is to enhance future peacekeepers’ substantive knowledge in their respective disciplines and encourage them to adopt this enhanced knowledge to promote social harmony and conflict resolution in their communities and nations. This contribution is an important catalyst toward promoting peace in countries like Nigeria that feature ethno-religious and regional diversity.
Sir Emeka Offor was formally festooned as Rotary International Polio Ambassador, the first ever from Nigeria. This took place at an event organised by Rotary International at the International Conference Centre. The event, which had in attendance the Rotary International President-Elect for 2014, Gary Huang, was also graced by eminent Nigerians, including the Minister of Tourism, Culture and National Orientation, Honourable Edem Duke, former Nigerian Senate President Ken Nnamani, Former Minister of Environment John Ode, Chairman of the All Progressive Grand Alliance (APGA) political party, Victor Umeh, and a host of other noteworthy personalities.

Sir Emeka Offor had recently donated $1 million to Rotary International Polio Plus Campaign, to aid in the eradication of the disease. This was not his first donation to the cause, as he has been an active donor, with a prior donation of over $250,000 to the cause, and further donations in the excess of $750,000 to Rotary’s three other cardinal projects. The Polio Plus project is now focused on the three remaining countries where Polio remains endemic: Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria.

Sir Emeka Offor was presented a plaque commemorating his appointment by the Former Rotary International President, John Majiyagbe and the President-Elect 2014, Gary Huang. On receiving the commemoration, he thanked Rotary International for the honour bestowed on him and reiterated his faith in the success of the project, saying, “Eradication of Polio in Nigeria is doable and together we would be able to achieve it.”
There has been a lot of work done towards the eradication of Polio in Nigeria, as the country is one of the three endemic nations in the world. In a joint effort by the Sir Emeka Offor Foundation (SEOF) and Rotary International to attain this milestone, an immunization program was put together to mark the National Immunization Day. Sir Emeka Offor, Rotary International’s Polio Ambassador and the Founder of SEOF was hands on to administer the vaccines to the children. Sir Offor has demonstrated a strong resolve to this cause and has donated more than one million USD to the Rotary in his bid to ensure that this Polio bane is permanently kicked out of Nigeria and indeed the world. In his words, “I have witnessed the menace that is caused by Polio; it is not something that you would wish even for your enemy. We will continue to do whatever it takes to make sure that Polio is totally eradicated.”

The event which took place on the 1st of March, 2014 at the SEOF complex, Oraifite, Anambra State had in attendance, Governor Peter Obi of Anambra State, Senator Ken Nnamani (former Senate President), Senator Chris Anyanwu, Chief Edem Duke (Minister of Tourism, Culture & National Orientation), Prince Adetokunbo Kayode (former Minister of Defence), Doctor Lawrence Ikeako (Commissioner of Health, Anambra State), HRH Dan Udoji (the Obi of Ozubulu, H.R.H Nnamdi Oruche (the Obi of Oraifite), Dr. Charles Onianwa (Rotary's DG elect 2013/2014), Ijeoma Pearl Okoro (Rotary's DG nominee 2015/2016), Robert Dickerman (MD/CEO EEDC), Steve Dike and many other notable personalities.

During the immunization exercise, Sir Offor and some guests helped in vaccinating the children. More than a hundred children present at the occasion were immunized. Sir Offor in his closing speech called on others to join in the fight against Polio, “I want to solicit the support of all my friends, civil and political leaders, traditional leaders, members of the clergy, the Federal, State and Local Governments and all well-meaning Nigerians to join me in making sure that this deadly disease is finally eradicated out of the world.”

It is unacceptable that polio continues to infect our children and cause such suffering in Nigeria.

Sir Emeka Offor
Dr Charles Onaniwu (District Governor Elect 2013 – 2014, District 9140), administering the vaccines at the National Immunization Day event in Oraifite, Anambra State with Sir Offor (right) helping.

Cross Section of guests at the National Immunization Day in Oraifite, Anambra State, that held on March 1st 2014. Bottom row, From L-R: Dr Charles Onaniwu (District Governor Elect 2013 – 2014, District 9140), Senator Chris Anyanwu, Robert Dickerman, Peter Obi (Governor Anambra State), Sir Emeka Offor (Rotary International Polio Ambassador), Senator Ken Nnamani (Former Senate President), Edem Duke (Minister of Culture and Tourism), Inno Anoliefo (Group Admin Manager, Chrome Group) and Chief Ufondu

Rotarians at the event reciting the Rotary anthem

Cross-section of the medical team with the vaccines ready for kick off at the National Immunization Day in Oraifite, Anambra State
Official opening of the Rotary Int’l Polio Ambassador’s office in Abuja.

Sir Emeka Offor, a member of the Arch Klumph Society of Rotary International and the First Rotary International Polio Ambassador to Nigeria unveiled a new office space at No. 12 Amazon Street Maitama, Abuja, dedicated as the Polio Ambassador Office, a demonstration and a fulfillment of his pledge to see that Nigeria is Polio free. The new office will serve as a liaison between Nigerian Polio Emergency Operating Center and SEOF for all polio related issues under the umbrella of Rotary International. In addition, it will serve as a control center and a hub for all applicable outreach projects, and a birthing platform for advocacy on Polio eradication initiatives.

From L-R; Edem Duke (Minister of Culture & Tourism), Dong Kurn Lee (FPR), Trustee Chair Rotary Foundation), Sir Emeka Offor (RI Polio Ambassador) and Jong Lee at the official opening of the Rotary International Polio Ambassador’s Office in Abuja.

From L-R; Emeka Wogu (Minister of Labor & Productivity), D.K. Lee, Sir Emeka Offor (RI Polio Ambassador), Mrs. Annie Hussen (Polio Survivor), Edem Duke (Minister of Culture & Tourism) and Howard F. Jeter (Fmr US Ambassador to Nigeria) after the media chat at Kiss FM Abuja.

Sir Emeka Offor (RI Polio Ambassador) cutting the ‘End Polio Now’ cake with other Rotarians and important dignitaries at the event.
Sir Emeka Offor has vowed to END POLIO NOW in Nigeria. To do that, he traverses the country cutting through cities and hard to reach villages organizing immunization drives, speaking to community leaders and mothers on the importance of the polio vaccine. He is not just the face of Rotary International in Nigeria, he is also the hand that administers vaccine to little children. He has said, he will fight on until “every child is immunized in Nigeria and Polio is no more.”

Sir Emeka Offor (Rotary Intl. Polio Ambassador) administering the polio vaccine to a child at the event in Port Harcourt, Rivers State.

Dong Kurn Lee (PRIP, Trustee Chair Rotary Foundation) administering the polio vaccine to a child at the event in Port Harcourt, Rivers State.
Glaucoma is a thief of sight. Each day it steals from you precious memories - not of what was, but of what`s to come

Jeremiah Lim

Accutely aware of the hidden danger glaucoma poses to a growing portion of the world’s population, The Sir Emeka Ofor Foundation (SEOF) sponsors research on early detection and treatment of glaucoma at the Department of Ophthalmology, University of Mainz, Germany. The contribution of more than €250,000 has been instrumental in optimizing the management of the most frequent cause of irreversible blindness. Professors at the Department of Ophthalmology have discovered an intriguing autoimmune phenomenon that may contribute to a better understanding of the genesis of glaucoma. It is presumed that with further research, new ways of early detection and better treatment may be discovered for this worldwide affliction. The SEOF has also established a Nigerian fellowship for Cataract Surgery and Glaucoma Management at the same university.
For widows in Nigeria, the line between prosperity and poverty is very thin.

or widows in Nigeria, the line between prosperity and poverty is very thin. One of the country’s greatest social challenges is the plight of women who have lost their husbands. With few legal rights, the death of a husband can also mean losing their homes, their children and their dignity. By grouping them into cooperative societies, SDP is able to empower them by helping them to acquire skills in the production of palm oil, hairdressing, tailoring, entrepreneurship etc. Through the cooperative societies the widows are empowered to become economically self-sufficient and therefore able to provide for their wards.
Action may not always bring happiness; but there is no happiness without action.

Benjamin Disraeli

The widows in a celebratory mood at the SEOF Centre
The widows thumbs up for SEOF

To get the full value of joy, you must have someone to divide it with. Mark Twain
Palm Oil Processing

Oil palm, often called the “wonder crop,” is not only an integral part of our food but also a valuable economic crop, which provides a major source of employment to rural dwellers. It allows many small landowners to participate in the cash economy.

Sir Emeka Offor Foundation has over the years empowered women and widows through the Widows Cooperative Scheme to set up their own micro businesses. Such opportunities have freed up resources, which the beneficiaries can further direct to other pertinent areas of needs in their households.
These women are making brooms from natural resources (palm fronds) and are creating profit in their own little way; remaining relevant is a challenge, but these old women are thriving effortlessly by works of their hand.
A gathering of widows hosted by Sir Emeka Offor, at the foundation’s headquarters in Oraifite, Anambra State.
Youth empowerment is an attitudinal and structural process whereby young people gain the ability and authority to make decisions, implement change in their lives and that of others. It helps empower youths to face the challenges associated with entering the labor market or starting their own business. Value Orientation, which basically outlines the principles of right and wrong that are accepted by an individual or a social group, is very necessary in driving youth empowerment and employment programs.

Through micro-finance grants and loans to industrious, low income earners, the Sir Emeka Offor Foundation empowers youth to shape a more productive life. One such programme is the motorcycle transit venture, where motorcycles are purchased and registered at the foundation’s expense. Selected candidates are then given fifteen months to repay the purchasing cost and proceeds are re-invested to provide motorcycles for additional candidates the following year. The Foundation gives hope to the hopeless and helps young folks carve out a niche for themselves, digging themselves slowly out of the poverty they would ordinarily be confined to. The Foundation advises participants on how to plan and manage their businesses under this successful program. A couple of the recipients have been able to expand their transportation enterprises, to include commercial buses and have become employers of labor, thus giving others a chance to help themselves. The empowerment programme has touched over 500 people, telling the story of how a single, simple gift can help make ideas grow.
A single, simple gift can make ideas grow

Chief Reuben Ojukwu, Chairman Motorcycle union Oraifite, was one of the lucky beneficiaries of the SEOF youth empowerment program as far back as 2005 with one motorcycle. But eight (8) years later, he now has three (3) trucks for hauling goods with a couple of staff working for him. The youth of yesterday is a man today, who can stand on his feet, has a wife and has moved out of his old dilapidated house into a newly built home.
Vocational Skills Programme

There is no exercise better for the heart, than reaching down and lifting people up

John Holmes

S.E.O.F commenced vocational training of two hundred (200) unemployed youths to acquire skills in nineteen (19) different vocations. This programme took off in February 2013 and the duration spans from three (3) to six (6) months for each candidate to acquire the necessary skills for self-employment. The skills/trades are as follows:

- Catering
- Carpenter and Furniture making
- Phone/Electronic repairs
- Fashion and Designing
- Aluminum works
- Beauty Parlour
- Hair dressing
- Motor mechanics
- Paint and Paint making
- House wiring
- Welding works
- House wiring (Electrical)
- Tiling
- House wiring (Electrical)
- Electric generator repairs
- Plumbing
- Masonry and Block layering
- Cooling system
- Garments
- Computer literacy

The beneficiaries of the above scheme are each on a welfare package of ten thousand naira only (N10,000.00) monthly. The first set has graduated and each received a seed money of 100,000 naira to take off.
The SEOF vocational youth centre prepares young people for self-sufficiency; empowering them with lucrative skills that are in line with recruitment needs of existing companies and current economic situation.

Vocational education revolves around practical skills that one acquires on a specific area of interest and prepares you for specific trades, crafts and careers at various levels. These skills are tailored to fit one’s area of interest and are mostly practical rather than theoretical. The SEOF vocational youth centre is using this vocational training centre as a practical platform, to groom a viable workforce to develop the economy of the nation.
A gruelling 3-hour journey reduced to a leisurely 10-minute drive

The newly constructed 3km Sir Emeka Offor road, has transformed the usually secluded town of Oraifite to a thriving commercial hub. SEOF has answered most of these villagers’ prayers and has greatly improved the economy of the indigenes.

The Sir Emeka Offor Foundation recognizes that economic and personal growth in the community relies on safe, dependable infrastructure. It has made provision of electricity more reliable by providing transformers and most importantly, has made water more accessible. In the past, people walked to local streams outside the town to fetch water that was neither safe nor clean. The health of the people suffered and children were especially at risk. The provision of potable water by the construction of boreholes has enhanced the health of the local communities and sharply reduced water-borne diseases among infants.

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Water has always been important, and is a life sustaining drink to humans and is essential to the survival of all known organisms.

Reduction of water borne diseases is a major public health goal in developing countries; drinking or use of contaminated water in food preparation, leads to widespread acute and chronic illness and this a major cause of death plus misery in most countries. The least you can do for the less privileged is to provide this basic amenity, thus further increasing their chances of survival. Thanks to SEOF for providing clean, portable water in its host community, Oraifite.

He who brings light has brought truth

Anything that would aid power generation has solved at least 60% of our immediate problems in Nigeria, because most things are hinged on the availability of power. Above is a transformer donated by the Sir Emeka Offor Foundation, in order to boost the electricity supply to indigene of Orahite, Anambra State, in South-Eastern Nigeria.
A 25-room medical ward is currently under construction at the National Orthopedic Hospital, Enugu to further serve patients in the Eastern region by SEOF.

All Saints Anglican Church, Oraifite (City of Joy) built in 2008 by the Sir Emeka Offor Foundation.
Nnewi Sports Club Muti Purpose Hall built by The Sir Emeka Offor Foundation (SEOF).

THANK YOU
OUR DEAR SPONSORS

SEOF thanks you all, our generous benefactors for your assistance and immense contributions to our cause, helping us achieve more than we ever envisaged. Without you, we would not have been able to touch the number of lives that we already have, and the rest we are still committed to affecting positively.
Sir Emeka Offor Foundation awarded for its outstanding support during 2012 – 2013 Rotary Year.

He was recognized by Rotary Club of Abuja, Metro District 9125, Nigeria. Amidst the affluence of city life, the poor are always remembered. The Rotary Club of Wuse Central has periodically provided support to the needy from the donation of food, clothes, basic medication & shelter for orphans and a leprosarium, to providing potable water for rural villages. The club also hosts a special Road Safety Marshal Unit, which conducts road safety awareness campaigns in the city of Abuja which has extremely high rate of fatal traffic accidents.

Sir Emeka Offor recognized for his outstanding contributions to mankind.

In appreciation of Sir Emeka Offor’s selfless support to mankind, he was presented with this award from the Rotary International District 9125, Nigeria by the district Governor Mr. Felix Sunny Aninze for the 2013 – 2014 Rotary year.
Sir Emeka Offor awarded for his recognition to growth and development of libraries in Nigeria

The Eminent Service Award was conferred on Sir Offor on the 11th of June 2013 for his donations toward the growth and development of libraries, especially for the annual donation of Information Resource Materials and computers.

Sir Emeka Offor Recognized for selfless and exemplary service to physically challenged persons and humanity.

The Humanity award from The Kpakpando Foundation for Physically Challenged Persons (KFPCP), was presented to Sir Offor on October 30, 2012 by Senator Ben Nighthawk, former Senate President. The award is in recognition of his selfless and exemplary service to physically challenged persons and humanity.

The KFPCP is a philanthropic organization founded by Senator Osita Izunaso. The award was presented at the Sam Mbakwe Hall of the Imo Concorder Hotel, Owerri, Imo State. Sir Emeka Offor, who was also the Special Guest of Honour at the occasion, has been a pillar of support to the foundation.
Selected Awards

Sir Emeka Offor Recognized for philanthropic efforts

He was recognized with the "Philantropist of the Year 2012" award from the Nigeria Union of Journalists, Anambra State Council.

Sir Emeka Offor was on hand on October 19, 2012 at Awka, Anambra State, where he was presented with the "Philantropist of the Year 2012" award. The Special Award of Excellence, which was presented by the Nigeria Union of Journalists, Anambra State Council, is in recognition of his numerous philanthropic activities in the State and beyond.

Sir Emeka Offor recognized as African Business Leader Of The Year 2008

The African Leadership Awards deemed it fit to bestow on the business mogul cum philanthropist, the award of African Business Leader of the Year for his outstanding feats and business prowess.
I am especially gratified by the fact that your support for the fight against polio is in tandem with our avowed determination to ensure that the scourge is permanently wiped out Nigeria in the shortest possible time...

My Dear Emeka,

I just received the heartening news of your induction into the Arch C. Klumph Society (AKS) of the Rotary International in recognition of your status as the highest African donor to the organisation in support of its work in the cause of the promotion of the world peace, as well as the welfare and well-being of our common humanity.

On behalf of my family, the government and people of the federal republic of Nigeria, and on my own behalf, I write to express warm felicitations to you on this attainment.

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While hoping that this recognition inspires you to more selfless service to mankind, it is my prayer that the Almighty God continues to guide, guard, and prosper your every endeavor.

Congratulations!

Goodluck Ebele Jonathan, GCFR
President, Federal Republic of Nigeria

I have the honour to congratulate you on your well-deserved membership of the Foundation Circle of the Arch C. Klumph Society of Rotary Foundation. This is indeed an affirmation of your selflessness and immense positive contributions to humanity especially the vulnerable.

Having followed the activities of Sir Emeka Offor Foundation over these years, I am aware of your numerous efforts to alleviate poverty, education, women and education empowerment, care for the needs especially widows and children. Your involvement in Rotary programmes and other humanitarian initiatives have not only earned you accolades but have won you out. I am, therefore, not surprised that the peak of these laudable charitable activities have climax in your membership of the distinguished Arch C. Klumph Society which is in recognition of your philanthropy in Nigeria, Africa and beyond.

On behalf of my family, I join your friends and well-wishers to thank the Almighty God for this recognition and also pray for his protection and guidance in your relentless service to humanity.

Please accept the assurance of my esteemed regards.

Arc. Mohammed Namadi Sambo, GCON
Vice President, Federal Republic of Nigeria

My Dear Brother,

I wish to on behalf of my family and I heartily rejoice with your induction into Arch C. Klumph Society by District 9125 of Rotary International and Rotary Foundation, an organisation known worldwide for its public spirited contributions to humanity.

Your elevation to the "Foundation Level" was in recognition of the philanthropic and charitable works you have executed and by being the largest and highest individual contributor to Rotary Foundation in Africa.

I therefore, join fellow family, friends and well-wishers to thank the Almighty God for this recognition and also pray for his protection and guidance in your relentless service to humanity.

Please accept the assurance of my esteemed regards.

Rev. Amba Fusa Anyiye, GCON
Secretary to the Government of the Federation
Federal Republic of Nigeria

Testimonials
The best way to build peace is to train a new generation of peacemakers. Peace is not simply the absence of war; it is a shared system of ethics and values that protect the dignity of every precious life on our planet. Your gift has already made our world more peaceful...

Thank you. So much is set into motion with your investment in the Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution. Like you, I truly believe that peace is possible. Rotary International and our Rotary Foundation have a long history of bringing together people of various cultures and backgrounds to work toward a shared goal of creating healthier communities.

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Wilfrid J. Wilkinson CM, FCA, CFE
Chairman,
The Rotary Foundation Trustees

In Nigeria, one of the remaining polio-endemic countries, an early participant in the World’s Biggest Commercial is expected to be business leader and philanthropist Sir Emeka Offor, who in the lead-up to World Polio Day announced a gift of $250,000 to Rotary’s PolioPlus Programme, which provides funding for the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI).

“It is unacceptable that polio continues to affect our children and cause such suffering in Nigeria,” said Sir Offor, Executive Chairman of the oil and gas service conglomerate Chrome Group and founder of the Sir Emeka Offor Foundation. “I hope that my gift to PolioPlus will inspire other donors to step up, so that we can eliminate this terrible – yet readily preventable – disease forever.”

Offor’s quarter million dollar contribution to polio eradication follows the same amount to Rotary’s global peace studies programme in early October.

Excerpt from Rotary News Release, 18 October 2012

Thank you for your continued generosity and gift to further the vital work of polio eradication. It is an honour for our foundation to be supported at this level by such a distinguished leader and philanthropist.

Contributions like yours enable Rotarians to continue their efforts in the eradication efforts in the last three polio-endemic countries. In February 2012, PolioPlus was endorsed by the world health Organisation. I hope and expect that with the support like yours, we will soon see the same success in Nigeria, Pakistan and Afghanistan.

On behalf of Nigerian, Pakistani, and Afghan children and Rotarians around the world, thank you for the precious gift of health and hope

Sincerely

John T. Osterlund
General Manager,
The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

[Image of Sir Emeka Offor]
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I write on behalf of the Vice Chancellor to convey the sincere appreciation of the University to your Foundation for the generous donation of a large consignment of quality Books/Educational Supplies to the University.

It is noted that the donation includes a number of Desktops and Laptops, a wide range of library collections and general school supplies.

The University greatly appreciates your kind gesture which will, no doubt, enhance the potential of the University in its drive for effective academic exploits.

Once again, we thank your Foundation for its support for the University and to wish the Foundation resounding success in its aim of alleviating the endemic poverty in our society.

Yours faithfully,

K. Fakoya
For: Registrar
University of Ilorin, Ilorin, Nigeria

I, Miss Chukwulobe Chidinma Goodness of Umudisi Village in Irefi-Oraifite also a student of the above named institution; wish to appreciate you for the help you gave me. I am grateful for the time you spent reviewing my letter of help for the flood disaster. Thank you so much for the laptop you gave to me. I greatly appreciate the assistance you have provided to me. May God richly bless you; I appreciate Sir.

Thanks for your anticipated assistance. 

Chukwulobe Chidinma Goodness
Federal Polytechnic Oko,
Anambra State, Nigeria

I write on behalf of staff and students of the above named school to express our unreserved appreciation to your foundation for choosing our school as one of the beneficiaries of your book/educational materials supply. The school was flooded with joy when the materials arrived. I am optimistic that it will go a long way boosting the morale of the students that have quest for academic research and excellence. It also really gave a new look to the school library.

Therefore, our earnest prayer is that the Almighty God shall continue to keep, protect and bless Sir Emeka Offor and the Foundation so that this social work and magnanimity from any (NGO) Non-Governmen- tal Organization should improve in its conception.

Thank you very much for this privilege.

Yours faithfully.

Okeke, Chioma
School Librarian
Community Secondary School Nnewiwchi
Anambra State, Nigeria
An Igbo Regatta:

A Regatta is a series of boat races and though they may be organized as championships for a particular area or type of boat, they are often held just for the joy of competition, camaraderie, and general promotion of the sport, or in this case culture.
Polio still cripples thousands of children around the world. With your help, we can wipe this disease off the face of the earth forever.

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