

PROJECT REPORT

FOR

CLEAN WATER PROJECT IN OBEGU IZZICHA COMMUNITY



GLOW INITIATIVE
Community
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FOR OBEGU, IZZICHA COMMUNITY

Featuring

- Construction of a borehole
- Training for 30 key community stakeholders
- Formal commissioning and handover



Starting 18th - 24th Dec. 2021

IN
COMMEMORATION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL DAY
FOR
THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Health is said to be wealth, this project is born out of the critical conditions of the indigenous people of Obegu, izzicha community in Ebonyi state in commemoration of the international day of indigenous people. Having visited this village, I discovered that these villagers are majorly rural men and women who are farmers cultivating rice, yam and cassava.

These people are having difficulties in accessing clean water for drinking and for domestic purposes. Their only source of clean water is the hand pump borehole, which they have been managing for years now. This borehole can only provide water during the raining season but becomes difficult to pump out water during the dry season.

Their second option which becomes their first choice during the dry season is one dirty moss and spirogyra infested pond. This pond is situated around their rice farmland which during the raining/planting season different chemicals from fertilizers and herbicides flow into the pond whenever it rains. Thus you can imagine the harm and diseases they contract from this water.

OUR SOLUTION

This project helped sensitize, educate and drive environmental cleanliness and clean water supply.

2 volunteer team members helped sensitize the whole villagers educating them on the importance of clean environment and helped drive them into cleaning the environment most especially their water sources.

Secondly we drilled and installed another hand-pump borehole water system to provide adequate clean water supply for the members of this village.

PROJECT GOAL

To provide good and clean water system to promote indigenous people of different communities in Nigeria. For it is said that “water is life” thus preserving the ecosystem.

PROJECT OBJECTIVE

To provide a clean and life preserving environment for the indigenous people of different communities in Nigeria.

PROJECT ACTIVITIES

- The team worked together with the community Elders to clean up the surroundings of the water source.
- The team worked with certified geologist and engineer to find, drill and installed a hand-pump borehole system to provide a better and clean water source for the people in the community.

DETAILS OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES

- **Education on cleanliness and environmental sanitation:** We trained 30 key village stakeholders on the importance of environmental cleanliness as it improves the health status of people living in it. He talked about how these dirty environs affect the people living in it as they tend to contract diseases either airborne or water borne. The team also led the villagers through the community Elders to clean up the environments most especially their water sources.
- **Surveying the village for water point:** The team hired a well-trained geologist and water resource personnel who with his surveying gadgets traced and found a water point for the drilling of the borehole system to prevent epileptic water supply from the system in the future.
- **Drilling and installation:** the surveyor with his team brought big drilling machine for the drilling of the bore hole at the appointed water point, the machine drilled up to 150 feet down and one of the best hand pumping machine was installed to provide a reliable water flow when it is being operated.

BENEFITS

- Reduce the rate of illness and contraction of diseases
- Empower these villagers with healthy mind and body to be more productive in their farming activities
- Reduce the expenses they make in medication, thus prevention is better than cure.

CONCLUSION

It is pertinent to say that what is worth doing is worth doing well, the project was a success as we can record the smiles and happiness on the faces of the villagers who came out en-mass for the commissioning of the borehole project. The village head (councilor) expressed their happiness as he presented gifts to our team as means of appreciation for this wonderful project. The eldest man in the village prayed and poured out libation to the gods to keep and bless.

ACCESS BANK SUPPORT

1. Access Bank support covered expert designs for our IECs and publicity materials.
2. The support enabled the purchase of all the materials used for the drilling and installation of the borehole system.
3. Access Bank support covered facilitation fees for resource persons.

ABOUT GLOW INITIATIVE FOR ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT AND CLIMATE SMART NIGERIA

Glow Initiative for Economic Empowerment is a non-governmental organization set up to harness the economic potentials of communities by tackling problems like unemployment, poor electricity access and climate change through education and investments in renewable energy. We are focused on reducing unemployment and creating a sustainable society by supporting women and young people to become renewable energy entrepreneurs by helping them acquire solar technology, business and financial management skills to create and deploy solar solutions for individuals and companies in rural and urban areas. Our goal is to birth 10,000 renewable energy entrepreneurs in the next 5 years. Climate Smart Nigeria is the arm Of Glow Initiative which is set up to combat environmental problems like Climate change to improve the nation's power sector by spreading the awareness of Climate Change to curb climate illiteracy and promoting the intervention of renewable energy. Through CSN, we use the tool of education to curb climate illiteracy. Our goal is to boost the economic development of Nigeria and attain a Climate Smart nation come 2026 through pioneering investments in renewable energy, Climate education and agriculture.

PICTORIAL EXCERPTS

The flyer features the Access Bank logo on the left and the GLEE logo on the right. The main title is 'CLEAN WATER PROJECT' in large, bold, green letters with a white outline, followed by 'FOR OBEGU, IZZICHA COMMUNITY' in red. Below the title, a green box contains the text 'Featuring' and a list of three bullet points: 'Construction of a borehole', 'Training for 30 key community stakeholders', and 'Formal commissioning and handover'. To the right of the text is a photograph of a person's hands being washed under a running water tap. At the bottom, it says 'Starting 18th - 24th Dec. 2021' in yellow text on a green background.

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E-flyer

The banner features the Access Bank logo on the left and the GLEE logo on the right. The main title is 'COMMISSIONING OF BOREHOLE' in large, bold, orange and yellow letters with a black outline, followed by 'CLEAN WATER PROJECT' in blue and 'FOR OBEGU, IZZICHA COMMUNITY' in red. Below the title is a row of four photographs: a group of people standing outdoors, a concrete borehole structure, a person using a hand pump, and a person's hands being washed under a running water tap. At the bottom, it says 'On 24th Dec. 2021' in yellow text on a blue background.

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BANNER



A team member with the villagers during the environmental cleaning



Prayer section during the opening ceremony on the day of project commissioning.

PICTORIAL EXCERPTS



A team member educating the villagers on environmental cleanliness.



The women leaders addressing the villagers and expressing their gratitude towards the project.



Commissioning of the project by the team



The village women and children jubilating as they play with the water.



Team with village men, women and children



Team with the village men



Project team with the village women



Project Team pumping water from the installed borehole



The villagers presenting gifts of drinks and tubers of yam in appreciation



The oldest man in the village pouring libation to the God's praying for good tidings to the team



Project team with the village heads