



ACCESS2SUCCESS

2015

Annual Report



Share Smiles, Inspire Hope, Empower Dreams

Message from Our Founder-

Thanks to you, we shared smiles with, inspired hope in the lives of, and empowered the dreams of over 1500 Nigerian children and youth.

A special thanks to everyone of you who support us, pray for us, challenge us and inspire us. Together we were able to share smiles with, inspire hope in the lives of and empower the dreams of the children that we are very fortunate to serve. I salute our children and the communities in Nigeria whose resilience, courage and love in the face of adversity inspire us every day. Whether you are a donor, volunteer, staff, employee, or friend, you should be very proud of what God used us to accomplish in 2015.

As our work continues to grow, so does our A2S family. The number of kids served at the after school academy (ASA) grew to 150, over 1000 youth were empowered through our annual basketball and empowerment camps and vacation Bible school; one of our kids received a scholarship to continue her studies in the U.S, we delivered over 40000 meals freshly prepared by mothers of children at our ASA, our health clinic served over 300 people with 91 receiving new pair of prescription glasses and children got to participate in numerous A2S programs that instills in them the hope of a better tomorrow. In 2015, we also distributed over 15000 athletic, educational and health supplies. We are very thankful to all 114 volunteers in the U.S and Nigeria who help make our work possible.

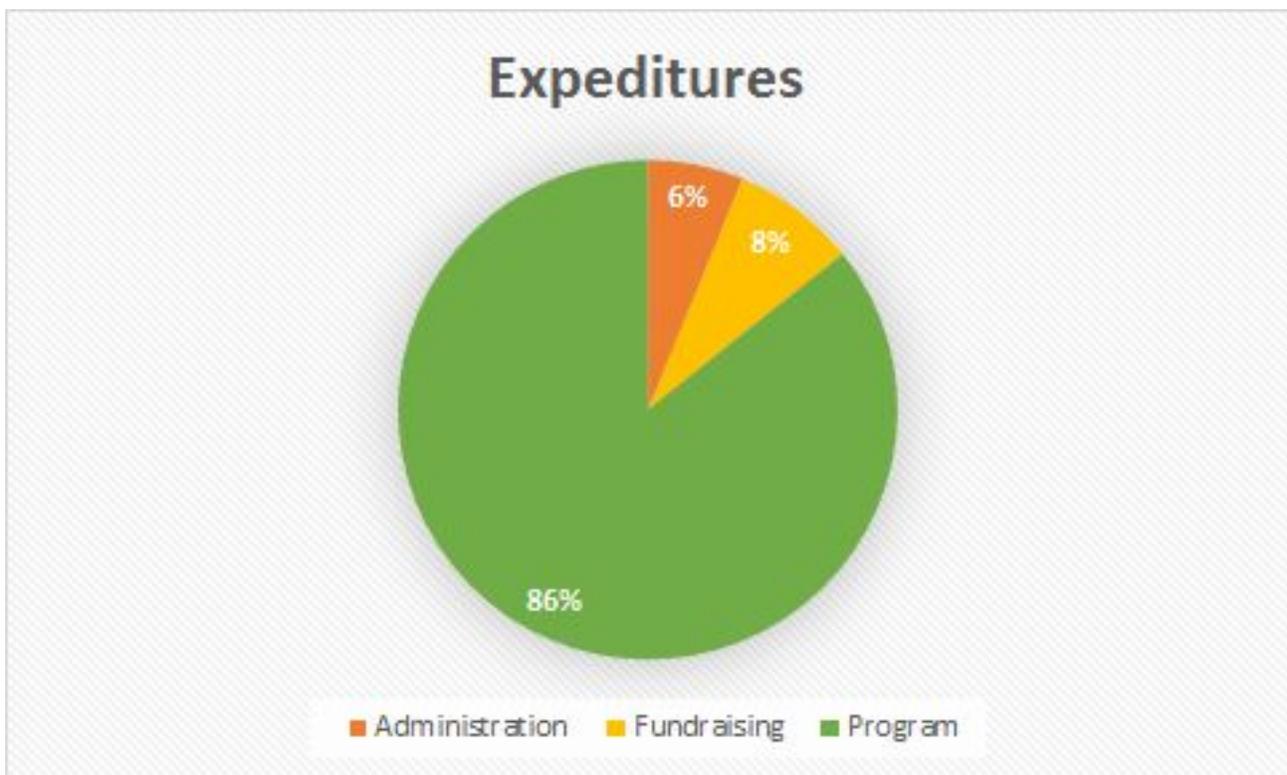
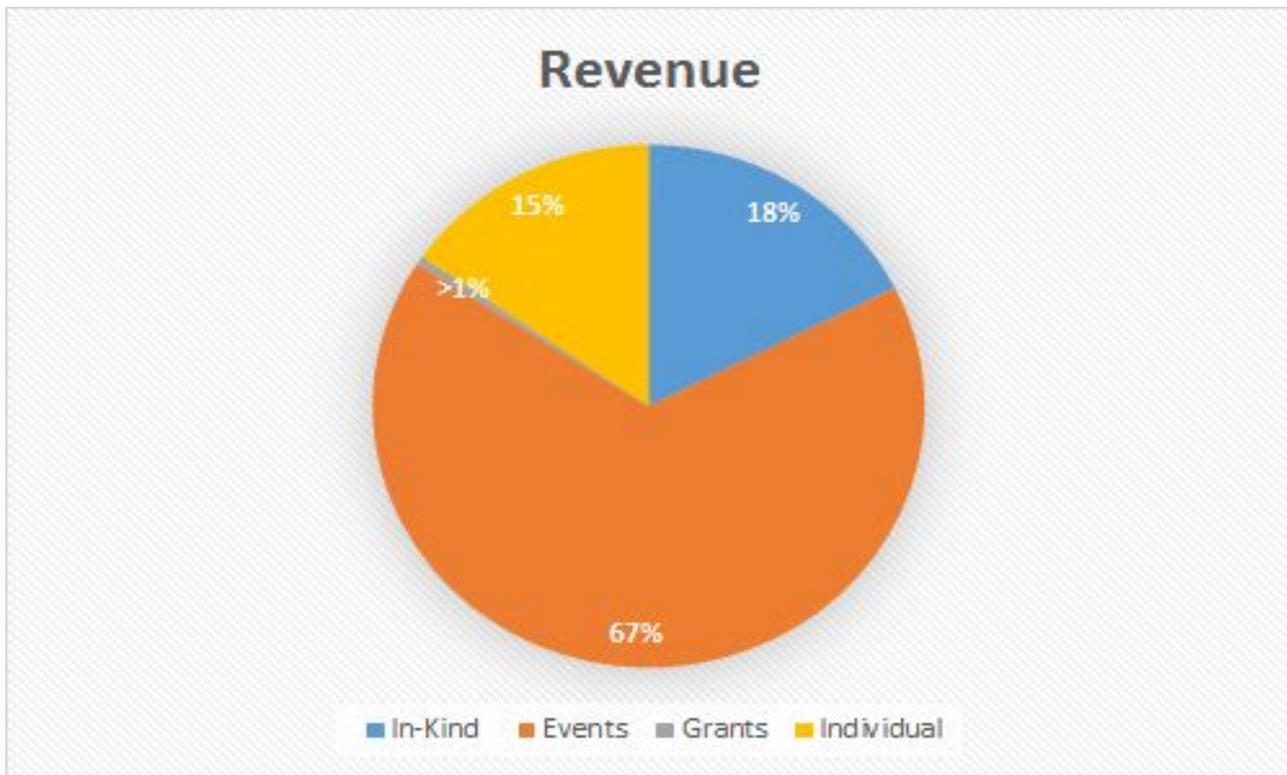
As we look forward to 2016 we are excited about our plans. Thanks to a matching gift of \$100,000 and your generous donation at our dinner last year, plans are currently on the way to start the building of our first After School Academy building that will serve 200 kids daily. We are thankful for our partners Gospel Ministries Bible Church for sharing their space these past few years. We are excited about development, setting our priorities, growing our leadership, growing our current partnerships and making new ones, and improving on how our operational efficiency as well as level of impact.

We are so grateful to God and are thankful to have you as members of the A2S family. Thank you for believing with us that location or socioeconomic status should not determine whether a child can dream. Thank you for being God's vessels of hope and love in our world today. We value your support and will continue to manage the investment of your time, treasures and talents keeping in mind your trust in the dream of each child, your commitment to ensuring that they can hold on to hope and your care in ensuring that they are equipped with the tools to live active, healthy and productive lifestyles.

On behalf of the children we serve,

Andrew Lovedale

Financial Report for 2015



Net Revenue by December 31, 2015 - \$198,061.44

Mission Statement

To provide sustainable programs that generate positive change for Nigerian children and their communities.

Vision Statement

The vision of A2S is that each child/person in Nigeria finds a dignified path to a successful life and is empowered to live out God's plan for a future filled with hope.

Statement of Ministry

Access to Success (A2S) is a non denominational, Christian non profit organization. A2S is dedicated to playing its part to eliminate poverty and provide hope through educational, athletic and spiritual based initiatives. Our ministry was founded on the premise that every child and youth should have an opportunity to dream, irrespective of location. We believe that access to education, sports or after -school activities, and growth opportunities should be basic rights for all.

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Our Core Values

Focus

We remain focused on stories, not numbers.

Integrity

We are constantly mindful of how we present the needs of others when working with our benefactors and beneficiaries.

Impact

We are committed to impacting lives and not space.

Sustainable

We aim to bring about purposeful, long term change in the lives of those we support.

Servanthood

We serve with humility, innovation, consistency, transparency, and urgency as inspired by the unconditional love of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Name	Started on Board	A2S Skills Usage
Andrew Lovedale	2011	Nonprofit, Leadership, Public Speaking
Lauren Biggers	2011	Marketing, Public Relations, Events
Morgan Clark	2011	Website/Tech, Development, Events, Strategic Planning
King Mawhinney	2011	Fundraising, Leadership and Development
Lindsay Biggers	2013	After School Program Development
Mehmet Can Civi	2013	Financial Management, Networking
Dr. Kenneth Menkhaus	2011	Strategic Planning
William Reigel	2013	Davidson Basketball Assistant Coach
Thomas Sander	2011	Networking, Governance
Randy Burris	2016	Events, Leadership
Jill Lewandowski	2016	Expansion, Leadership, Human Resources

Our Solution



After School Academy

Engage:

In a typical Nigerian classroom, you will find teachers talking “at” students instead of engaging the children’s imagination and encouraging creative thinking. Access to athletics, art and music programs, tutoring and community service opportunities are luxuries. In many cases, when children leave school they end up on the streets trying to help their families survive. While education is the “single most powerful means for families to escape poverty over the longer term (Right 129),” the immediate needs often outweigh those long term benefits.

Our Solution:

At the A2S After School Academy, we help children enjoy learning. We provide tutors, play sports, make music, mentor youth, and explore technology. Most importantly, we provide at risk youth a safe, engaging and constructive place to go after school. The A2S Academy is built for long term growth. Children who are supported by A2S return to serve as tutors, mentors and coaches.



Sandra has been an A2S scholarship recipient for two years, making it possible for her to attend university to major in public administration and minor in political science. She has a love of learning and is passionate about fashion design. Sandra and fellow A2S Scholarship recipient, Theodore Aghaghowa, are already working on a business partnership plan. Sandra is actively impacting children in Nigeria, serving at the A2S After School Academy two afternoons a week. She believes education is where you find purpose. She dreams of the day when A2S can purchase a tailoring machine so she can start teaching children at the academy how to make clothing.

“In various ways, A2S has taught me that whatever you have is not for you alone,” Sandra says. “God gave it to you to learn to share. Because of how much I have suffered in life, one of my biggest challenges was giving because I worked hard for everything I have. Thanks to A2S, I now understand that my struggles were only there to help me see the importance of giving and receiving. Without A2S, I would not be here today.”

**Children
Served:
150 Youth**

**Educational
Hours
Delivered:
315,000
Hours**

Community Care

Encourage:

In a community suffering from extreme poverty, there are many community needs that impact the lives of the children. There is a shortage of adequately trained teachers and illiteracy rates for adults is approximately 61 percent (World Bank 2012b). There are also limited resources to aid in the health, wellness and disease prevention.



Our Solutions:

A2S invests in the local community. We provides additional services to address on-going issues as well as emergency needs that arise. We host teacher and coaching workshops to train and empower Nigerian people. We hold literacy classes once a month to give parents tools they need to help kids with homework as well as be more successful in business. We offer a health clinic to provide regular exams. We collaborate with our team in Nigeria to offer the support that impacts long term sustainability.

**U.S. volunteers
shared expertise:
Teachers: 200
Coaches: 40**

**Served in Health
Clinics:
2,200 People**

**Supplies
Distributed:
15,000
Educational,
School, and
Athletics**

**Received
Eyeglasses:
51 People**

Meal Programs

Enrich:

Hunger limits child development. Malnutrition greatly reduces the effectiveness of the immune system, increasing the susceptibility to disease while also impairing development (UN/WHO). In Nigeria, 40 percent of children under the age of five are stunted in growth and 25 percent are underweight (GHI). In Africa alone, 23 million primary school- age children attend classes hungry (World Food Programme).



Our Solutions:

A2S provides one hot meal a day for the children we serve in our programs. We purchase local, fresh ingredients to support the economy, and we engage mothers of the youth to prepare the daily hot meals. Through the annual A2S Meal-A-Thon, donations of \$22 will sponsor a child's meals for a whole month.

**Meals provided
since 2013:
70,000 Meals**

**No child
should have to
choose
between
getting an
education and
finding their
next meal.**

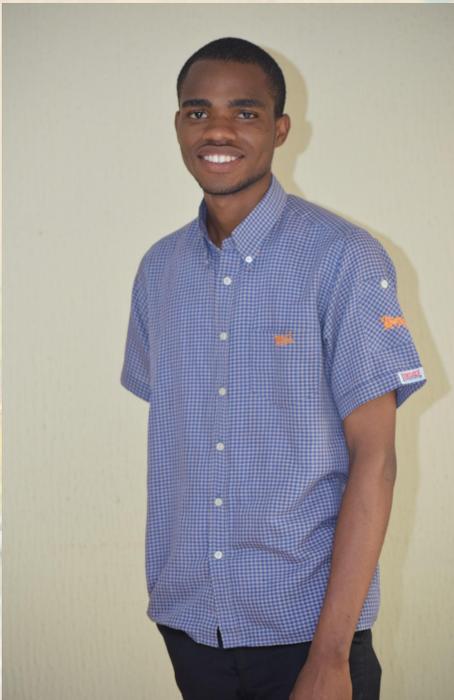
Scholarship Programs

Educate:

Equipping children with knowledge and skills is paramount to breaking the poverty cycle. Education leads to increased income, improved health and empowered individuals. Nigeria is home to an estimated 10.5 million out of school children (UNESCO, 2012). The fees for uniforms and school supplies are often too great for families to afford. Children are forced to work to support their family instead of attending school.

Our Solutions:

A2S offers scholarship support for primary, secondary and university level education. All of our scholarships are need based, and some include a merit component as well. We provide financial assistance for children to attend school in Nigeria and help gifted student athletes find opportunities for education and athletics in the United States. The students who receive our scholarships return to support A2S in some capacity — some mentor, tutor and coach at the Academy and others intern with A2S to grow educational opportunities for their fellow brothers and sisters.



A2S scholarship recipient Aisosa, his mother, and two siblings found themselves on the street when they could not pay rent for a one -room. Aisosa finished secondary school in 2009 but didn't have money to take the entrance examination to attend a university. He got a job to help his family pay rent and put food on the table, saving enough to enroll for his entrance exam.

Aisosa received an A2S scholarship so he could attend Ambrose Ali University, where he is currently studying history and international studies and serving as the youth president. He started a music school at the university, teaching peers to read music and play instruments. He is also a writer and dreams of creating a mobile platform to share books with those who don't have the money to get the necessary books for their classes.

**Scholarships
Received by:
45 Children**

**Students
Studying in U.S.:
4 Nigerian
Youth**

Summer Program

Empower:

Youth in Nigeria are exposed to violence, drugs, theft, corruption, and prostitution at a very early age. Women have been marginalized and every member of the family is often forced to do whatever it takes to survive another day. That is not childhood. Children not only lack the tools to succeed — they lack the hope and inspiration to believe they have the power to live a different life and impact change.

Our Solution:

A2S puts boots on the ground. Our annual summer, bible and empowerment camps teach leadership and teamwork, enhance self esteem, and inspire a vision for the future. Kids deserve to be kids and in addition to providing growth opportunities, we offer a respite from the lives they lead and the battles they face.

**Youth
Reached:**

**4,000
Youth**

Evelyn attended a summer empowerment camp that helped her put things in perspective and inspired her not to give up on her dreams. Originally unapproving, her family is surprised that she is doing something she loves and earning a living. Evelyn wants to deliver this message to other young girls in Nigeria, “I want to tell young girls not to allow the limitations set by others to define their limits. If you have a dream or an idea, pursue it to the fullest.

“There is so much joy and many tears when I get to take pictures of the kids eating. It still amazes me that a person will decide they want to feed and help another person. When I see this caring spirit on display in the lives of the children, I realize the greatness that is in each one of us if we decide to explore it.”



An Evening with A2S

An Evening with A2S is one night that allows our foundation to thank those who have donated and volunteered their time and energy. It is also a fundraiser for our various programs in Nigeria. In attendance at the 2015 Evening with A2S was a total of 206 people, this included people from all over the country and two of our scholarship recipients attending school within the United States, Uchechi Ufochukwu and Jennifer Omonuwa. Our guest speaker this year was Greg Bridgeford, retired Chief Customer Officer for Lowe's Home Improvement.

The evening proved to be a very successful fundraiser. There was an anonymous donor who gave a \$100,000 matching challenge. This helped us raise \$194,000, including the matching, throughout the evening. The funds will go towards A2S general programs including the building of a brand new A2S after school academy that will increase the number of children currently being served daily from 150 to 200.

A huge thank you to the evenings event director Kim Cook, who is an A2S former Board Member



An Evening with A2S

An Evening with A2S is an evening where we are able to get together with our supporters, partners, and volunteers to show who we are as a foundation and thank everyone for their help in allowing us to change the lives of others. During the event we give out three awards to those who have shown exceptional service and love to those we strive to serve. This years awards recipients were the Beissier family, Reiley Burris, and Courtney Wright.

The **Beissier family**, from Bedford, Virginia, received the **Upper Room Award** for their dedication, support, and guidance to Jafar, a young man from Nigeria. They treated him as part of their family his two years of high school education in America. They committed to making God's promise of hope and a future a reality for Jafar and many who live in struggling communities.

Reiley Burris a young woman from Locust, North Carolina is a student at UNC Chapel Hill pursuing an Athletic Training degree. In the spring of 2015, Reiley worked with A2S to launch "The Spirit Night Fundraiser" that brought a whole school community together and raised over \$3500 to help fund a library for the children in Nigeria. Reiley is proof that one person can bring about significant change in our world and for this she received the **A2S Impact Person the Year Award**.

Courtney Wright a native of Chicago, Illinois is an education specialist who currently resides in the DC area. Since 2012, Courtney has lead our mission trip teams and has worked with our Nigerian staff to develop empowerment sessions based on the themes of "my mind, my body and my future." Thanks to Courtney, thousands of youth in Nigeria get to learn about topics like Goal-Setting, Nutrition, Leadership, Social Action and Social Activism and more. And Courtney does all of this without receiving pay for her work but because she believes in the mission and vision of A2S. Courtney is a true Samaritan and for this she has received the **A2S Good Samaritan of the Year Award**.



Our Volunteers

In Nigeria we use 12 volunteers from a pool of 50 volunteers each day. They each volunteer at least 5 hours a day, this is 60 volunteer hours per day, and 15,840 hours a year as whole that our After School Academy receives.

During summer programs we have about 40 volunteers and they work 9 hours each day for 6 days. This adds up to a drastic 2160 volunteer hours spent working with those who come to our summer programs.

Nigeria =
90 Volunteers
Volunteer Hours=
18,000 Hours

U.S.A =
24 Volunteers
Volunteer Hours=
3,212 Hours

Total Number of Volunteers=
114 Volunteers
Total Number of Hours=
21,212 Hours

Thank you to all of our volunteers that are helping making our goals and mission a reality year after year!

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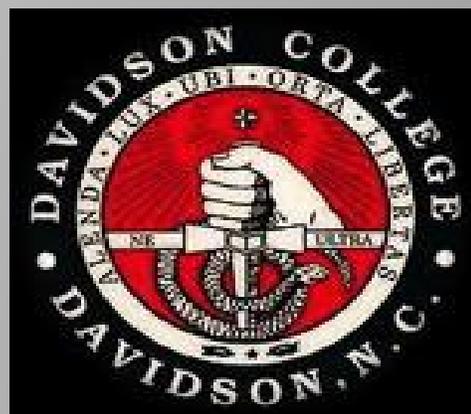
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