



Who We Are

Adassa-Adumori Foundation, Inc. is a U.S.-based non-profit organization incorporated in the state of Tennessee. It was organized for the purpose of developing and supporting sustainable projects on behalf of the people of West Africa, particularly children growing up in circumstances of extreme social and economic disadvantage.

THE ADASSA-ADUMORI FOUNDATION



Yolanda Shields

For over 19 years Yolanda Shields has been enabling individuals and corporations to make effective philanthropic investments in the community. She also assume a lead role in securing and directing local, state, and federal grant dollars into to most effective programs.

Ms. Shield has a B.S. in Education and Social Work, as well as a M.S. in Non-Profit Management. She has served as a consultant to numerous celebrity foundations and charity initiatives, as well as strategic philanthropic planning for over 20 corporations.

Yolanda Shields, a tireless and passionate advocate for children, serves as Vice-President of the Adassa-Adumori Foundation.

Unique Access and Influence

While many amazing stories have emerged from the heart of Africa, the Adassa-Adumori Foundation is the result of an African Princess returning to her community after 23 years of living in the United States.

The Foundation was established by Dr. Fumi Ogunleye Hancock with advisory support from her parents, Prince & Princess Ademola Ogunleye and her Uncle, the reigning King of Emure-Ekiti, a

Yoruba tribe in the Western region of Africa.

"It broke my heart to witness in my homeland broken down schools, clinics with no running water or basic equipment, and hungry children having to walk miles to school," says Dr.Hancock. I can no longer pretend that Africa is not in dire need of assistance or that it is someone else's responsibly to do something about it."



Princess Fumi Ogunleye Hancock

Princess Fumi Ogunleye Hancock is the founder and President of the Adassa- Adumori Foundation. She holds a dual Bachelors degree in Nursing, English, and a doctorate degree in Communication Arts.

Princess Ogunleye is a practicing Registered Nurse, a counselor and former a group leader for "Real Women" at Cottonwood Christian Center in Los Alamitos, California. There she facilitated an Addiction & Recovery Life Group along with her husband, David Hancock.

She has also coordinated several programs for women and children with many social service agencies in the New York and New Jersey area, ranging from foster care, adoption, second chance homes for pregnant teenagers to crisis intervention programs for battered women in Tennessee where she now resides with her family.



SPECIFIC NEED

For Africans, education is an essential key to freeing themselves from poverty. Deteriorated school buildings, inadequate supplies, limited teachers, and no transportation to and from schools are the norm. Recent statistics on primary education available shows that there are about 2,015 primary schools in Nigeria with no buildings of any type.

The obstacles the stand in the way of a quality education for African children are greater than can be imagined by those in the developed world. Nevertheless, children in West Africa have an extraordinary desire to learn and a remarkable ability to excel in a rigorous academic environment. Because parents and their children know that education is the hope for the future and for Nigeria's

future, they will go to extraordinary length to provide educations for their children. Many children travel long distances each day to attend classes that are held under a tree.

WHAT WE DO

The Adassa-Adumori Foundation supports educational opportunities in primary and secondary schools by repairing substandard school buildings, providing books and computers, school supplies, uniforms, and functioning libraries. The Foundation also supports adult programs that focus on literacy. Health education which includes a broad range of health issues. Leadership Development seminars train community leaders on entrepreneur opportunities to increase economic development.



Champion a Village is Adassa-Adumori Foundation's development program that seeks to improve the overall quality of life in targeted communities.

Tribal communities of West Africa face many obstacles, both internally and externally. Relief and development experts have learned that Western philanthropic organizations cannot successfully effect sustainable change by simply addressing a single issue. It has to have a holistic, multifaceted approach.

The Adassa-Adumori Foundation collaborates with a targeted rural community to identify areas of needs and support development in education, health, women, children and families, youth and community development sectors.

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