ROCHAS FOUNDATION

REACHING OUT AND TOUCHING LIVES

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ROCHAS FOUNDATION
VISION
2040 PLAN

Message from the
Director General

With the launch of our Vision 2040 programs, we are not merely initiating a plan—we are igniting a movement that will soon establish Africa we are igniting a movement that will soon establish Africa as a beacon of educational excellence on the global stage.

Education is the cornerstone upon which the future of our continent will be built. It is through education that we will empower the next generation to lead, innovate, and transform Africa.

We must move beyond addressing education with a mindset of scarcity and instead commit to investing in high-quality education that is accessible to every child. This is not just a necessity; it is the very heartbeat of progress in any developing nation.

At the Rochas Foundation, this is our unwavering mission: a solution for Africa, by Africans.Uchechi RochaDirector General, Rochas Foundation

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About Us

Established in 1998, the Rochas Foundation is a distinguished non-governmental organization committed to providing free, high-quality education to underprivileged children across Africa. For 26 years, the Foundation has operated on the belief that every child matters and deserves the opportunity to receive at least a primary education, regardless of their circumstances.

The Rochas Foundation oversees 13 colleges strategically located across Nigeria, all funded through private enterprises owned by the Foundation's founder, His Excellency, Senator Rochas Okorocha. These schools serve as beacons of hope, offering thousands of children the chance to build a better future through education.

Over the past two and a half decades, the Rochas Foundation has educated more than 45,000 underprivileged children, producing 8,000 graduates. Many of these alumni have gone on to become accomplished professionals in various fields, including lawyers, medical doctors, engineers, and IT consultants, contributing their expertise in Nigeria, Africa and around the world, including the United States, United Kingdom, and Europe.

OUR VISION
To make quality education free and accessible to every African child, regardless of tribe, class and religion.

OUR MISSION
To rescue, transform and build a desirable African child through free and quality education.

OUR DREAM
To build the first foundation tree growing out of Africa, providing shelter for the less privileged all over Africa.

Rochas Foundation College of Africa (ROFOCA)

The Rochas Foundation College of Africa (ROFOCA) is a premier educational institution dedicated to nurturing the potential of Africa's future leaders. Established in 2016 in Owerri, Imo State, ROFOCA is a key initiative of the Rochas Foundation, offering free, world-class education to brilliant yet underprivileged children from across the African continent.

Currently, ROFOCA serves over 160 students from 20 African countries, including Nigeria. The college admits smart, talented, and promising orphans and indigent children whose families cannot afford to send them to school due to financial constraints. ROFOCA, like its sister Rochas Foundation Colleges (RFC) across Nigeria, is committed to providing a rigorous academic program that empowers students with the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to thrive in an increasingly complex world.

With a dedicated staff of 25 experienced teachers, ROFOCA offers more than just an education; it provides a transformative experience. Our state-of-the-art facilities and comprehensive curriculum ensure that students are not only academically accomplished but also equipped with the leadership qualities and social consciousness needed to drive positive change.

ROFOCA is more than just a school; it is a vibrant community where students from diverse backgrounds come together to learn, grow, and excel. By bringing together young minds from across the continent, the college fosters a rich exchange of ideas and cultures, promoting a strong sense of Pan-African unity.

At ROFOCA, we are committed to shaping the future of Africa by investing in the education of its youth. Through ROFOCA, the Rochas Foundation continues its mission of delivering solutions for Africa, by Africans, empowering the next generation to lead, innovate, and contribute to the betterment of their communities and beyond.

Rochas Foundation Colleges
In Nigeria

Owerri

The Rochas Foundation College, Owerri is the pioneer school of the Foundation. It was established in 2001 at the old IBC, Orji along Owerri-Okigwe Road Imo state.

The College currently has a staff strength of 45 dedicated teachers and 807 students. In 2012, RFC Owerri was awarded with the WAEC's Best School Award.

Jos

Rochas Foundation College, Jos was established in 2005 in Plateau State, the home of peace and tourism, along the old airport road, Jos, Plateau State. The school has a staff strength of 41 teachers and 872 students. It is one of the leading secondary schools in the city of Jos with several awards attached to its name.

Bauchi

Rochas Foundation College, Bauchi is located along Gombe road, opposite the State House of Assembly, Bauchi State. It was founded in the year 2018. The School currently has over 39 teachers and 594 students.

The students are groomed both educationally and in other areas of endeavors, such as sports, art and debate amongst other activities in order to enhance creativity and harness their team spirit and it has become one of the leading schools in the city of Bauchi.

Rochas Foundation Colleges
In Nigeria

Adamawa

Rochas Foundation College, Yola was established in 2018. It is located at the government approved layout Misc 7, old Golf Course, along Yola-Mubi road, Yola, Adamawa State. The School currently has staff strength of 41 dedicated teachers and it is furnished with all basic amenities. Due to the excellent performance in both internal and external examinations and competitions, the school has seen a rise in the number of new intakes yearly with a growing population of 584 students, currently.

Kano

Rochas Foundation College, Kano was established in 2004 in the northern part of Nigeria and in the second most industrious city at No 92, Airport road, Nomanland, Kano State.

The School currently has staff strength of 41 teachers and 78 students with over two thousand (2,000) graduates.

Sokoto

Rochas Foundation College, Sokoto is located in the extreme northwest of Nigeria at Km 13, Gusau road, after River Basin, Dange Shuni, Sokoto State.

It was established in 2018 with a growing population of 400 and 39 teachers. The school has a serene environment with well-equipped libraries and a world class sports team.
Known for its outstanding performance in national competitions across the state, it is arguably amongst the best ten (10) junior schools in the state of Sokoto.

Rochas Foundation Colleges
In Nigeria

Ibadan

Rochas Foundation College, Ibadan, was established in 2005. It is located in the largest city in West Africa and former administrative city of the old Western region, located along N.T.C road Oke-Ado, Ibadan. RFC Ibadan is equipped with sound and committed teachers, and essential amenities necessary for intellectual development.

Since the establishment, it has increased in staff strength and student population. It currently has a staff strength of 46 teachers and 826 students

Enugu

Rochas Foundation College Enugu is located in the coal city of Enugu. It is arguably one of the best junior secondary schools in Nigeria. It was established in 2018 and it is located at the airport road opposite Akanu Ibiam International Airport Enugu.

It provides top notch quality free education in the city of Enugu. It currently has staff strength of 35 teachers and 561.

Zaria

Rochas Foundation Zaria is located in the northern western Nigeria, the trade and transportation centre of the North, along Zaria-Kaduna express way near NNPC pipelines pump station. It was established in 2018 and has since grown.

It currently has staff strength of 40 teachers and 736 students. It is committed to academic excellence and the nurturing of its students to their full potential in a safe and serene environment. Fully equipped with qualified teachers, well-stocked libraries, and all other amenities required for the development and improvement of the children's skills and strengths.

Rochas Foundation Colleges
In Nigeria

Ogboko

The College in Ogboko was established in 2005 and is well-known for its students' exceptional academic performance. It is located at No. 1 Ogboko Road, Obiohia Junction, Ideato – South Local Government Area of Imo State.

Since its establishment in 2005, the school has continued to increase in numbers and currently boasts of 43 teachers and 689 students.

Calabar

The College in Calabar was established in 2021. It is located at the Mohammed Murtala Way by Calabar International Conference Centre.

It is the latest college of the foundation, established to cater for the needs of less privileged children in the South-south geopolitical zone of Nigeria. It has a staff strength of 24 teachers and 330 students

Obohia

The basic school in Obiohia was established in 2009. The school has since inception set the pace for basic education in Imo State, Nigeria with multiple awards and recognition.

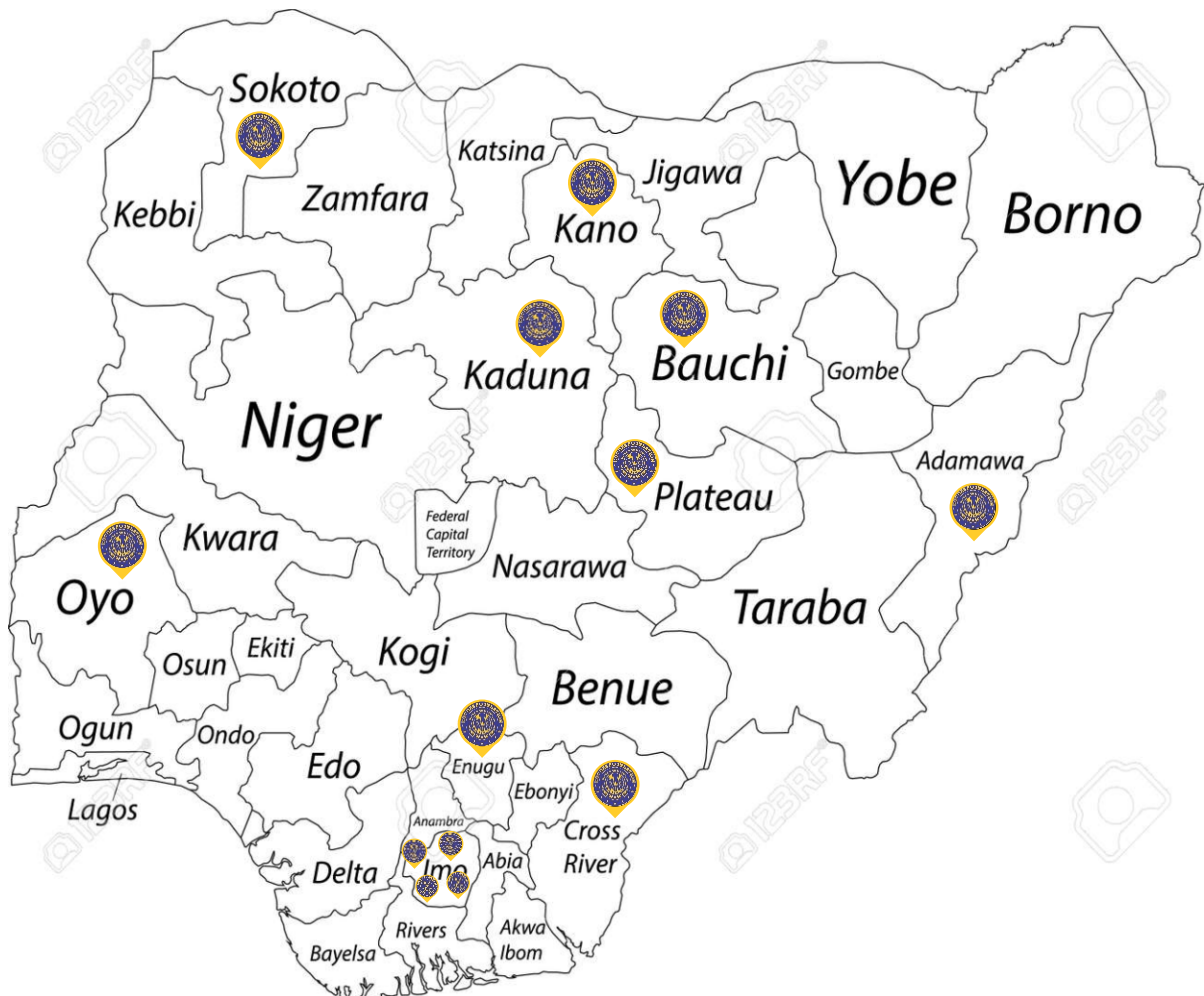The school is located at No. 1 Ogboko Road, Obiohia Junction, Ideato – South, Imo State.
It has a staff strength of 20 teachers and 486 students

FOUNDATION INFOGRAPHICS
OUR GROWTH

SCHOOLS
13

STUDENTS TRAINED
41,350

TEACHERS ENSGAGED
590

100% FREE TUITION

100% School Supplies

48% 52%

MAP SHOWING ROCHAS FOUNDATION COLLEGES ACROSS NIGERIA

Sokoto

Katsina

Jigawa

Yobe

Borno

Kebbi

Zamfara

Kano

Kaduna

Bauchi

Gombe

Niger

Adamawa

Plateau

Federal Capital Territory

Nasarawa

Taraba

Kwara

Oyo

Osun

Ekiti

Kogi

Benue

Ogun

Ondo

Edo

Enugu

Ebonyi

Cross River

Lagos

Anambra

Abia

Delta

Imo

Rivers

Akwa Ibom

Bayelsa

The Vision 2040

The Vision 2040 is a forward-thinking initiative that aims to transform the education landscape in Nigeria and Africa by leveraging the power of technology.

Through this program, the Rochas Foundation shall empower and prepare African youths to thrive in the innovation economy and become future leaders.

Important Statistics

With its rapidly growing youth population, Nigeria presents a unique opportunity for driving innovation and economic development in Africa.

i) Youth Population: Nigeria has the largest youth population in Africa, with over 60% of its population under 25. By 2050, Nigeria is projected to be the third most populous country in the world, with a population of over 400 million.

ii) Economic Growth Potential: Nigeria is Africa's largest economy, with a GDP of $448.12 billion in 2021. The country has the potential to become a significant player in the global economy, with sectors such as technology, agriculture, and creative industries offering substantial growth opportunities.

iii) Innovation Ecosystem: Nigeria has a thriving innovation ecosystem, with a growing number of tech startups, incubators, and accelerators. Lagos, the country's commercial capital, is often called the "Silicon Valley of Africa," attracting investors and entrepreneurs worldwide.

To achieve our Vision 2040 Mandate, we shall develop and implement a number of innovative programs that will prepare our students for the challenges and opportunities of the future.

Some of the programs we shall implement include:

Personalized Learning Platforms:

Personalized learning platforms shall be deployed to provide our students with customized learning experiences that cater to their individual strengths, weaknesses, and interests.

These platforms will enable us analyze the performances of the students and help provide tailored feedback, resources, and assignments.

Introducing this learning approach in our schools will help to increase student engagement, improve learning outcomes, and reduce dropout rates.

Required Resources:
To successfully implement this program, we need donationsof desktop computers, laptops and softwares.

Virtual and Augmented Reality Experiences:

VR/XR reality technologies are used to create immersive and interactive learning experiences which help students to better understand complex concepts and ideas.

We shall introduce these technologies in our schools to enable us create virtual field trips, simulations, and games that will engage our students in active learning in order to promote critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Required Resources:
To successfully implement this program, we need donations of VR/XR devices from VR companies.

Coding and Programming Courses:

With the increasing demand for technological skills in the job market, it is essential to provide our students with opportunities to learn coding and programming.

Therefore, coding and programming courses shall be integrated into our school curriculum in order to provide the students

with the foundational skills they need to succeed in the digital and innovations economy.

Required Resources:
To successfully implement this program, we need the following:
i) Partnership with IT companies and Universities in the US, who can train our teachers, who will then train our students.
ii) University scholarship opportunities to enable our tech savvy students pursue advanced careers in the tech ecosystem.

Digital Citizenship Education

As students become more connected and reliant on technology, it is essential to provide them with the skills and knowledge they need to be responsible digital citizens.

In our schools, we shall introduce digital citizenship education, that will cover topics such as: online safety, privacy, cyberbullying, and digital etiquette.
By providing our students with a strong foundation in digital citizenship, we are helping to create a safer and more respectful online community.

Required Resources:
To successfully implement this program, we need to partner with Universities that will provide such training to our teachers and students.

▶ Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning:

Artificial intelligence and machine learning are transforming the ways we live, work, and learn. Therefore, it is essential to provide our students with opportunities to learn about these technologies and how they can be used to solve real-world problems.

We shall therefore develop courses that will introduce our students to the basics of AI and machine learning. Through these courses, we are laying the foundation for the students who would like to pursue advanced courses in AI and Machine Learning in the future.

Required Resources:
To successfully implement this program, we need the following:
I) Partner with IT companies and Universities that will provide such training to our teachers and students.
ii) University scholarship opportunities to enable our tech savvy students pursue advanced careers in the tech ecosystem.

▶ Robotics and Automation:

Robotics and automation are becoming increasingly prevalent in various industries, from manufacturing to healthcare.

Therefore, to prepare our students for the future job market, it is essential to provide them with opportunities to learn about these technologies and how they can be used to solve real-world problems.
We shall develop courses that will enable us introduce our students to the basics of robotics and automation.

Required Resources:
To successfully implement this program, we need the following:
i) Partnership with Universities and organizations that will provide such training to our teachers and students.
ii) University scholarship opportunities to enable our tech savvy students pursue advanced careers in the tech ecosystem.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the Vision 2040 program in education and technology has the potential to transform the educational landscape and prepare students for the challenges and opportunities of the future.

The Rochas Foundation recognizes the immense potentials of African youths and the continent's economic growth prospects. By providing education, mentorship, and access to resources, we shall equip African youths with the skills and knowledge necessary to compete in the innovation economy.

Through partnerships with industry leaders, educational institutions, and government agencies, the Rochas Foundation shall create a robust support network for African innovators. We shall celebrate diversity, empower innovators, and foster inclusivity by uniting diverse communities, professionals, students, and entrepreneurs across the continent.

We therefore, invite you to join us in our mission to awaken the potentials of African youths and shape a brighter future for Africa in the innovation economy.

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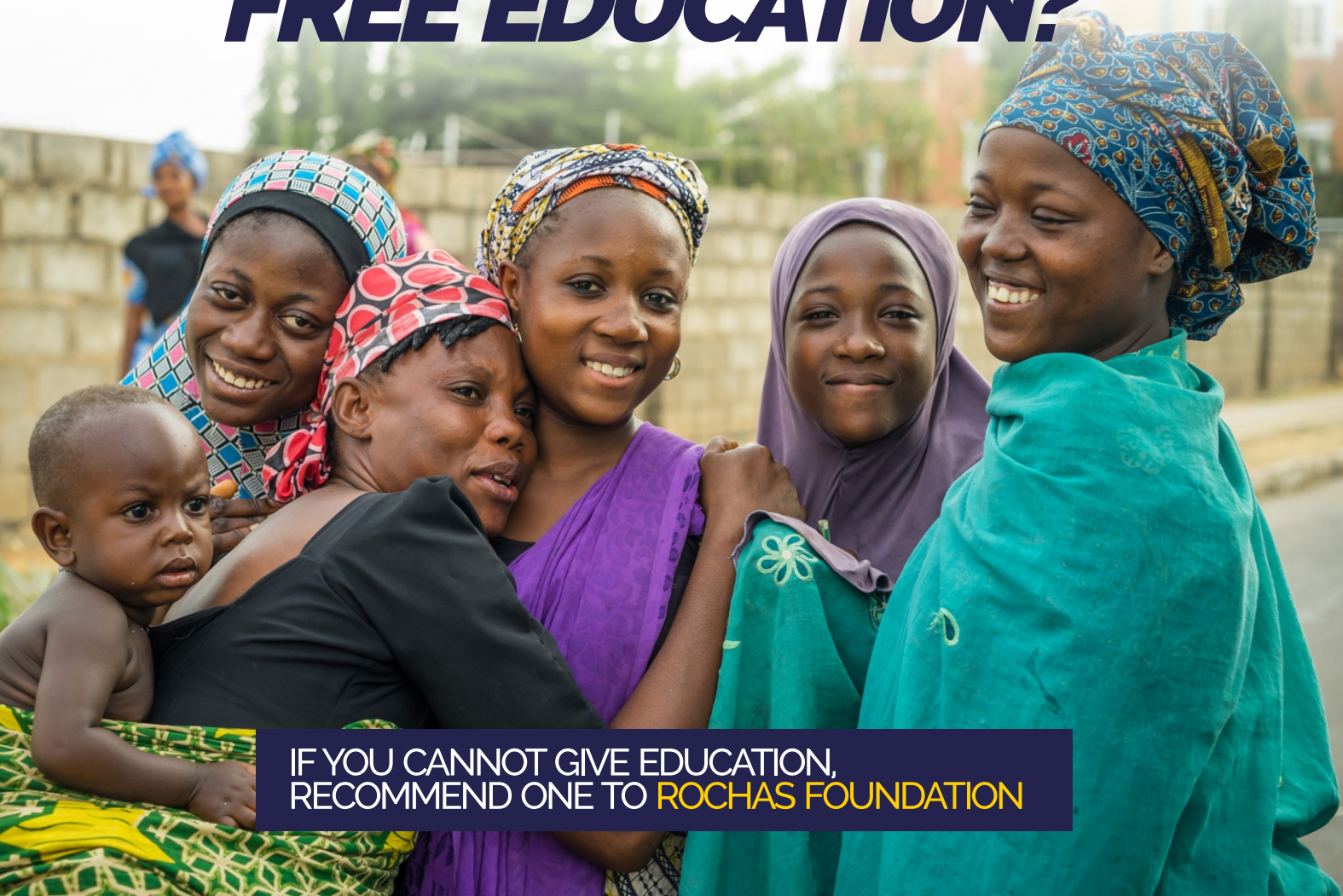Website: www.rochasfoundation.org

DO YOU KNOW AN INTELLIGENT CHILD?

(BETWEEN AGES 9-11)

AN ORPHAN, LESS PRIVILEGED OR RAISED BY A SINGLE PARENT

IN NEED OF FREE EDUCATION?

IF YOU CANNOT GIVE EDUCATION, RECOMMEND ONE TO ROCHAS FOUNDATION