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FUNDING PROPOSAL

Strengthening Child Care, Protection and Future Opportunities for Vulnerable Children in Edo State, Nigeria

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Funding Focus

**Comprehensive Child Care, Protection, Education, Psychosocial Support and
Rehabilitation**

1. Executive Summary

God's Grace Orphanage Home is a purpose-driven child-care organization established on the principles of compassion, integrity, accountability and an unwavering commitment to the welfare and dignity of vulnerable children.

Founded in November 2022, the Orphanage was established to provide a safe and nurturing family environment for orphans, abandoned children and children from disadvantaged backgrounds who require protection, shelter, education, emotional support, rehabilitation and opportunities for a better future.

Our work is deeply rooted in a personal conviction shaped by the founder's own experience of growing up vulnerable. That experience inspired a commitment to ensure that children facing difficult circumstances do not lose hope or the opportunity to develop into responsible, independent and productive members of society.

Since commencing operations, God's Grace Orphanage has supported more than 12 children and 3 widows, providing shelter, education, skill acquisition, psychosocial support and, where necessary, financial assistance. Some of the children who have passed through our care have subsequently been adopted by families, demonstrating the importance of providing children with stability and appropriate pathways toward permanent family care.

We are now seeking the partnership of international donors, philanthropic organizations, humanitarian foundations and development partners to strengthen and expand our child-care programmes.

Our immediate priority is to secure sustainable funding for quality child care, including food and nutrition, education, healthcare, accommodation, clothing, psychosocial support, safeguarding, rehabilitation, staffing and other essential services required to give vulnerable children a safe and dignified childhood.

We believe every child deserves more than survival. Every child deserves the opportunity to discover that life is worth living, hope is possible, and their future can be different from their past.

2. About God's Grace Orphanage Home

God's Grace Orphanage Home was founded with a simple but profound conviction: every child deserves love, dignity, protection and an opportunity to fulfil their potential.

The organization provides care for vulnerable children whose circumstances may include orphanhood, abandonment, poverty, family crisis or other conditions that place their wellbeing and development at risk.

Our model goes beyond temporary shelter. We provide short-, medium- and long-term care, depending on the individual circumstances and best interests of each child.

Where appropriate and within applicable child-protection and governmental frameworks, we work with relevant authorities and families toward suitable family-based care, including reunification or adoption.

Our approach recognizes that children require much more than food and accommodation. They need emotional security, education, healthcare, positive relationships, guidance, protection and the confidence to envision a future.

3. Our Vision

To provide a home where orphans and the less privileged can experience the love and warmth of a family, while growing up to achieving their full potential

4. Our Mission

To create a safe haven and a supportive family environment for orphans and the less privileged, ensuring they receive the highest standard of care, education, and opportunities to thrive.

5. The Need

Across disadvantaged communities, children can become vulnerable to neglect, abandonment, poverty, family breakdown, inadequate access to education and healthcare, emotional trauma and other circumstances that threaten their development.

For such children, the absence of a stable and supportive environment can have consequences extending far beyond childhood.

God's Grace Orphanage therefore seeks to provide an environment in which children can:

- live in safety and dignity;
- receive adequate food and nutrition;
- access education and learning opportunities;
- obtain appropriate healthcare;
- receive psychosocial and emotional support;
- develop social and life skills;
- experience positive family relationships;
- develop confidence and self-worth;
- acquire values and character necessary for responsible adulthood; and
- transition toward safe and sustainable family or independent living arrangements where appropriate.

Our objective is not merely to accommodate vulnerable children, but to **help rebuild their lives and prepare them for a productive future.**

6. Our Child-Care Model

God's Grace Orphanage operates a holistic care model built around the individual needs and best interests of each child.

A. Safe Shelter and Daily Care

We provide a secure home environment where children can receive accommodation, supervision, clothing, food and the emotional stability necessary for healthy development.

B. Education

Education is one of our most important tools for breaking cycles of vulnerability and poverty. Support is required for school fees, learning materials, uniforms, transportation, educational support and other related needs.

C. Nutrition and Basic Needs

Children require consistent access to nutritious food and essential personal-care items. Donor funding will help us maintain reliable provision of food, hygiene products, clothing, bedding and other necessities.

D. Healthcare

We envision enrolling children under our care in the Edo State Health Insurance Scheme, helping them access affordable and quality healthcare. We also seek to maintain appropriate relationships with healthcare providers and local hospitals so that children receive timely medical attention when required.

E. Psychosocial Support

Children who have experienced abandonment, loss, poverty or family instability may require more than physical care. Our programme therefore places importance on emotional wellbeing, psychosocial support, counselling and creating an environment where children feel valued, heard and accepted.

F. Character and Life-Skills Development

We seek to develop children who are responsible, compassionate, confident and capable of contributing positively to society. Through mentoring, education, practical skills and character development, we aim to prepare children for adulthood and independence.

G. Family-Based Outcomes

Where appropriate and consistent with child-protection requirements, we work with relevant authorities and families toward suitable long-term solutions, including family reunification or adoption. The goal is always to promote the child's safety, dignity, stability and best interests.

7. Impact Since 2022

Since commencing operations in November 2022, God's Grace Orphanage has:

- supported more than 12 vulnerable children;
- provided shelter and day-to-day care;
- supported children's education;
- provided skill-acquisition opportunities;
- offered psychosocial support and emotional assistance;
- supported 3 widows with assistance aimed at restoring dignity and improving their ability to pursue a better future;
- worked with the Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development;
- received vulnerable children through appropriate governmental and public channels;
- supported children who have subsequently been adopted by families; and
- created employment and volunteer opportunities for caregivers and other individuals committed to child welfare, who in turn, are able to take good care of their families, and dependents.

These achievements have been accomplished despite significant financial and operational constraints.

Our next step is to transform this foundation into a stronger, more sustainable and scalable child-care programme.

8. Proposed Child-Care Programme

We are seeking international donor support to establish a more sustainable funding base for the children currently under our care and to strengthen our capacity to respond to future needs.

Priority Programme Areas:

Program Area	Intended Support
Food & Nutrition	Nutritious meals and essential food supplies
Education	School fees, uniforms, books, materials and educational support
Healthcare	Health insurance, medical care, medication and emergency healthcare
Essentials	utilities, bedding and household needs, Clothing & Hygiene
Clothing and Hygiene	Clothing, toiletries and personal-care supplies
Psychosocial Care	Counselling, emotional support and child development activities

Child Protection	Safeguarding systems, monitoring and appropriate documentation
Life Skills	Skills development, mentoring and practical learning
Staffing	Qualified caregivers and essential programme personnel
Recreation	Safe play, sports and age-appropriate developmental activities

9. Donor Support – Office of the CEO

The organization is committed to serving vulnerable children, but providing quality residential care requires predictable and sustained resources.

The physical presence of our Founder and CEO, Mrs. Kate Okunrobo Odianese, is particularly important to the children, who look to her as a mother and central figure in their lives.

However, the Founder currently resides in the United Kingdom and bears significant personal costs associated with travelling to Nigeria and maintaining the organization's operations. She spends more than **£4,000** annually on travel and accommodation expenses connected to her involvement.

International donor support would help reduce the pressure on the Founder to personally finance essential operational and child-care needs and would allow the organization to develop a more sustainable institutional funding structure.

Our aspiration is to build an organization where the quality of care provided to a child is determined by the child's needs—not by whether the Founder has personally been able to finance that need.

10. Safeguarding and Accountability

God's Grace Orphanage recognizes that working with children carries an exceptional responsibility.

We are committed to safeguarding the rights, dignity, privacy and wellbeing of every child entrusted to our care.

We seek to operate in accordance with applicable governmental requirements and child-protection standards and to maintain appropriate collaboration with relevant government institutions, healthcare providers, security agencies and other stakeholders.

We also recognize that international donors require transparency and accountability.

Accordingly, donor support will be subject to appropriate financial documentation, programme reporting and monitoring mechanisms, allowing partners to understand how resources are being used and what impact their contributions are generating.

11. Partnerships and Collaboration

God's Grace Orphanage believes sustainable child welfare requires collaboration.

We work with and seek to strengthen relationships with:

- Government ministries and agencies;
- child-protection authorities;
- local hospitals and healthcare providers;
- security agencies;
- community organizations;
- humanitarian organizations;
- philanthropic individuals;
- churches and faith-based organizations;
- international development partners; and
- organizations committed to child welfare and social development.

We welcome strategic partnerships that can strengthen our technical capacity, safeguarding systems, healthcare access, education programmes and long-term sustainability.

12. Sustainability Strategy

Our long-term objective is to reduce dependence on individual donations by developing a diversified and sustainable funding model.

This includes:

1. building relationships with international donors and foundations;
2. establishing long-term institutional partnerships;
3. developing local and international fundraising networks;
4. strengthening organizational governance and accountability;
5. developing income-generating and sustainability initiatives where appropriate;
6. expanding volunteer and professional networks; and
7. strengthening monitoring, evaluation and impact reporting.

We want donor support to do more than meet today's needs. We want it to help build an organization capable of caring for vulnerable children for many years to come.

13. Growth and Expansion

As demand for child-care services increases, God's Grace Orphanage seeks to expand its facilities and acquire additional resources that will allow us to accommodate more vulnerable children safely.

Future development priorities include:

- expansion and improvement of residential facilities;
- additional sleeping and learning spaces;
- improved recreational facilities;
- healthcare and wellness resources;
- educational resources;
- kitchen and nutrition facilities;
- improved safeguarding infrastructure;
- staff development and training; and
- stronger systems for monitoring children's development and outcomes.

Expansion will be undertaken responsibly and in accordance with applicable regulatory and child-protection requirements.

14. Expected Outcomes

With appropriate donor investment, we expect to achieve measurable improvements in the lives of vulnerable children.

Short-Term Outcomes

- Improved access to nutritious food.
- Safer and more stable accommodation.
- Increased access to education.
- Improved healthcare access.
- Greater access to psychosocial support.
- Improved personal hygiene and living conditions.

Medium-Term Outcomes

- Improved educational participation and performance.
- Improved emotional and social wellbeing.
- Development of life and vocational skills.
- Stronger safeguarding and child-protection systems.
- Improved family and community reintegration outcomes where appropriate.

Long-Term Outcomes

- Children transitioning into safe and stable family environments where appropriate.
- Young people developing the skills required for independent adulthood.
- Reduced vulnerability to exploitation, neglect and extreme poverty.
- Increased capacity of the organization to support additional vulnerable children.
- A stronger and more sustainable child-care institution serving communities in Edo State.

15. Our Commitment to Donors

We understand that donor funding represents trust. For every contribution received, we commit ourselves to responsible stewardship, transparency and accountability.

We will work toward providing donors with appropriate updates on programme activities, beneficiaries reached, resources utilized, challenges encountered and outcomes achieved.

Our goal is to develop partnerships based not simply on financial contributions, but on shared commitment to transforming children's lives.

16. The Human Story Behind the Mission

The story of God's Grace Orphanage is deeply personal. The organization was inspired by the Founder's own experience of growing up as a vulnerable young girl.

Those experiences could have remained painful memories. Instead, they became the foundation of a lifelong commitment to ensuring that vulnerable children have access to something she believes every child deserves: hope.

Today, that vision has become a home;

- A home where a child can be protected.
- A home where a child can go to school.
- A home where a child can receive medical attention.
- A home where a child can be encouraged after experiencing loss.
- A home where a child can hear that their circumstances do not determine their future.
- And ultimately, a home from which a child can move forward with dignity, confidence and purpose.

17. Our Appeal to International Donors

We respectfully invite international donors, foundations, humanitarian organizations, philanthropic institutions and socially responsible partners to join us in strengthening child care at God's Grace Orphanage and Motherless Babies Home.

- ✓ Your support can provide a child with a meal.
- ✓ It can keep a child in school.
- ✓ It can provide medical care when a child is sick.
- ✓ It can provide counselling when a child is struggling emotionally.
- ✓ It can provide a safe bed, clean clothing and a secure home.
- ✓ It can help a vulnerable child discover a talent, develop a skill and begin to imagine a different future.
- ✓ Most importantly, your support can help ensure that vulnerability does not become a child's destiny.

We believe every child deserves more than a place to sleep. Every child deserves a reason to hope. God's Grace Orphanage is committed to providing that hope. With the partnership of compassionate donors, we can reach more children, strengthen the quality of care we provide and build a sustainable future for vulnerable children in Edo State. Together, we can give children more than a million reasons why life is worth living.

18. Conclusion

God's Grace Orphanage Home has demonstrated its commitment to vulnerable children since 2022 despite operating with limited resources. We now seek partners who share our conviction that protecting children and investing in their development is one of the most meaningful investments a society can make.

We are not simply asking for financial assistance, we are inviting donors to invest in childhood, invest in dignity, invest in education, invest in protection and ultimately invest in the future.

With the right partnerships, God's Grace Orphanage can move from surviving through personal sacrifice to operating through a sustainable, accountable and internationally supported child-care model.

- Every child deserves a safe place to belong.
- Every child deserves an opportunity to learn.
- Every child deserves to be protected.
- Every child deserves hope.
- God's Grace Orphanage Home is committed to making that possible.

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