

# 2023 IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

## Spreading Compassion. Building Futures.

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Dear Friends and Supporters,

As we reflect on 2023, we are filled with gratitude for all that we accomplished together. From international outreach to local partnerships, Cedar et Gazelle Foundation remained committed to bringing hope, healing, and opportunities to the vulnerable. Here's a look at some of the remarkable moments from the year:

# Uganda Mission Trip – May 2023

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Our team and volunteers journeyed to Uganda to connect directly with children and educators. Through our partnership with Grapa Parent Junior School, several students were enrolled, giving them access to quality education and a brighter future.





# The Awakening Conference

## July 2023



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OLAWALE SHARED OUR  
MISSION ON A GLOBAL  
PLATFORM AT *THE*  
*AWAKENING*  
CONFERENCE IN DALLAS,  
TEXAS.

SHE SPOKE PASSIONATELY ABOUT THE  
POWER OF EDUCATION AND THE VITAL ROLE CHARITABLE  
ORGANIZATIONS PLAY IN THE LIVES OF ORPHANS.

# Healthcare Outreach in Ogun State – October 2023

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In collaboration with Upsurge Foundation, we hosted a free medical outreach for elderly members of the community. Attendees received health screenings, wellness education, fitness sessions, and nourishing fruits – a full day of care and compassion.





# INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY – AUGUST 2023



In a heartwarming celebration of International Youth Day, a beacon of hope and unity shone brightly as the [Francis Koroma Foundation](#) (FKF) in Collaboration with Cedar et Gazelle Foundation joined hands to make a lasting impact. On a sunny Saturday, August 12, 2023, the two foundations united their efforts to donate essential relief items to the residents of a women's shelter nestled within the vibrant community of Harlem, New York City. The significance of this event went far beyond the confines of its physical space. A cross-section of [Francis Koroma Foundation](#) members and volunteers, and Cedar et Gazelle Foundation supporters, collaborated in a remarkable display of unity and shared purpose. The occasion marked an unprecedented collaboration, a shining example of what can be achieved when like-minded organizations pool their efforts to create positive change.

In line with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals 1, 2, and 10 - aimed at eradicating poverty, ending hunger, and reducing inequalities – Francis Koroma Foundation set sights on making a difference in an underserved, Black neighborhood in Harlem. The chosen location was a women's shelter managed by Palladia, Inc., an organization dedicated to addressing homelessness in New York City's marginalized communities. The shelter serves as a haven for women who find themselves in vulnerable situations, providing them with essential support and resources.



With hearts full of compassion and a determination to make a meaningful impact, representatives from both foundations arrived at the women's shelter to deliver their contribution. The relief items, carefully curated to meet the immediate needs of the shelter's residents, were graciously received by Palladia, Inc. The foundation's endless dedication to tackling homelessness was echoed by the appreciation they expressed for Francis Koroma Foundation support. The camaraderie that unfolded during the donation ceremony was a powerful reminder that collective action can uplift communities and bridge gaps.

As members of the upcoming generation of changemakers, volunteers from the Francis Koroma Foundation embraced the opportunity to be part of a tangible, positive transformation. Eugenia Rogers, who played an integral role in organizing the donation drive, shared her sentiments about the experience: "The sense of fulfillment I experienced after donating was invigorating. It's a feeling that compels me to engage in more acts of service like this." Special thanks to [Lyzianah Emakoua](#) for providing items to be donated.



Capturing the essence of the day through the lens of his camera was [Kamuskay Kamara](#), a beneficiary of the Francis Koroma Foundation. His photographs encapsulated the emotions, unity, and sheer joy that permeated the event. Kamuskay expressed his perspective on the day's significance: "Witnessing the impact we were able to create for the women in need was truly inspiring. These moments remind us of the immense potential to contribute positively to our communities.

Partnering with Francis Koroma Foundation, we celebrated IYD by donating relief items to a women's shelter in Harlem, New York. Managed by Palladia Inc., the shelter serves women in vulnerable situations. Together, we delivered not just essentials, but a message of hope, unity, and resilience.

# THANK YOU!

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Your support powers our mission. Whether you gave, served, or prayed with us, you are part of this impact. We look forward to doing even more in 2024 — and we invite you to stay connected, get involved, and keep spreading love.

With gratitude,



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