

Support our Troops Foundation, Nigeria – 2,236 books received.

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Project Profile

Beneficiaries

300 students

Books received

2,236 books

Coordinator

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SOT Foundation

Project Details

Photos



Report

Introduction

Thanks to Books2Africa, The Support Our Troops Foundation in fulfilling its aims and objectives with a donation of Three Thousand (3,000) books from various works of life to the Chief of Defence Staff; Air Chief Marshall Alex Badeh at the Defence Headquarters, Area 7 Garki Abuja for Military distribution to Military Libraries. The event held today, the 17th day of April 2015.

IMG_8743The event had in attendance: The Chief of Defence Staff Air Chief Marshal Alex Badeh; The Director of Operations Air Vice Marshal W A Ahmed; Chief of Logistics, Major General M B Ibrahim; Director Civil Military Relations, Major General M A Alkali; Director of Defence Intelligence, Brigadier General A M Aliyu; Principal General Staff Officer to Chief of Defence Staff, Air Commodore GMD Gwani; Deputy Director of Defence Information, Group Captain W M Maigida; MC of the occasion, Lieutenant Commander Way Olabisi of Information Directorate; The Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Support Our Troops Foundation, Mrs Funmi Oladeinde-Ogbue and her Team.

Logistics

It is the believe of the Foundation that, a book in the hands of a child can lead to endless possibilities and create a reading culture in the children of the armed forces. It is in view of this that, the Foundation took a giant stride to donate 3000 books received from Books2Africa for distribution to libraries in military schools. Mrs Funmi Ogbue in her remarks introduced the SOT Team and requested a short video to be played which

showed what the Foundation is all about. In her speech that followed immediately after the video, she emphasized that; the armed Forces will always achieve success if their morale is boosted. She also mentioned some projects executed by the Foundation to include; A robust media campaign, Donation of computers to NAOWA school in Kurudu; Distribution of over 3000 pieces of school supplies to children of fallen troops and 150 bags of rice to their widows; Donation of 10,000 pieces of morale boosting kits to 7th Division Troops of the Nigerian Army; Organization of a Peace Solidarity March.

Impact

She postulated the following activities to be executed in the near future to help achieve the aims and objectives of the Foundation; creation of awareness as to the importance of the welfare of our troops, producing a documentary to record the victories of the armed forces in recent years, building of recreation centers in military barracks, giving of grants and loans to wives and widows of army personnel, Organization of a peace concert, Building of a monument in honour of the Armed Forces, Organization of Novelty Football and Basket ball matches, Donation of Medical Supplies, Training of Retired Troops, Donation of Desert Camouflage T-Shirts to the Nigerian Army on the 20th of April, 2015 and many more.

Conclusion

The Chief of Defence Staff Air Chief Marshal Alex Badeh in his response thanked the Books2Africa and the Founder of SOT and her team for their work and particularly for working on the

psyche of Nigerians to support Nigerian Troops. He promised to support the Foundation in its activities as he describes its Founder Mrs. Funmi Oladeinde-Ogbue as a beacon of hope to the Nigerian Military. Mrs Funmi Ogbue presented Certificate of bravely to the Chief of Defence staff and the books from various works of life. He promised to put the books to best use.

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