

# IMPACT REPORT



LET GIRLS READ, RUN, GROW

2021

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# A WORD FROM OUR FOUNDER



2021 marked year two of an ongoing pandemic that upended what we once thought was normal. While some of us were able to taste the joy of re-uniting with loved ones and gathering in person, the new scares of COVID-19 outbreaks took us back to precautions we thought were left in 2020.

For Let Girls Read, Run, Grow, 2021 was a quiet year. Deciding against hosting in-person camps to protect staff, volunteers, and children, we instead focused on strengthening our foundation. Forging plans for the Girl Primary School we plan to open in Nigeria, much of the year was spent preparing for that amazing journey.

Building upon the 2020 programs with the help of our generous donors, we were able to send over 60 students to school for the 2021-2022 academic school year, of which, half are orphans. We were also able to outfit the students with much school supplies and additional educational materials for further enrichment.

I am continually amazed by the commitment and generosity of our donors, and look forward to what we will accomplish in the coming years.

**Idara Otu**  
Founder & Board Chair

# OUR STORY SO FAR

## OUR MISSION

Let Girls Read, Run, Grow™ (LGRRG), is a non-profit (501c3) organization committed to developing girls in Africa to maximize their potential through education, athletics, and entrepreneurship. To fulfill this commitment, LGRRG partners with community organizations, corporations, and schools who aspire to uplift a generation of girls to gain the skills and knowledge to break the cycle of poverty and strengthen their communities. Through these partnerships, LGRRG will build and execute three primary programs to educate, develop, and employ a deserving pool of untapped talent benefiting the individual and communities they live.

18  
million

GIRLS OUT OF  
PRIMARY  
EDUCATION IN  
SUB-SAHARAN  
AFRICA

## OUR STRATEGY

- **EDUCATE** – The LGRRG Academy primary school will serve the unique developmental needs of young girls in Nigeria. With an emphasis on a Social & Emotional Learning (SEL) global-based curriculum, STEAM Education, and athletics, our girls will build the foundational skills to become future leaders of Nigeria.
- **DEVELOP** – Camp NexGen™ exposes African students to real world STEAM disciplines and its applications in related career and entrepreneurial opportunities. During the camp, campers participate in sports training, leadership and team building exercises.
- **EMPLOY** – The Farming Initiative is a community group comprised of approximately 40 local women that seek to improve their lives and well-being through various income-producing farm-based activities.

# OUR 2021 GOALS

1

## Lay the foundation for LGRRG Academy

By designing the plan, structure, curriculum and governance for LGRRG Academy



2

## Continue to support orphanages in Nigeria

By ensuring academic continuity for the most vulnerable orphans, during an economically challenging environment



3

## Publish *The Miraculous Masquerade*

A children's book by our founder, Idara Otu, to serve both as a fundraising tool for LGRRG Academy, and a source of joy for children who do not see their culture displayed in literature



4

## Encourage girls to take up and continue playing sports

By outfitting girls with shoes and balls to continue learning and perfecting their craft of basketball



# OUR IMPACT IN NUMBERS

**63**

academic scholarships  
granted for the 2021-  
2022 academic year

**100**

items of school supplies  
& of educational  
materials donated to  
orphaned youth

**50**

copies of *The  
Miraculous  
Masquerade* gifted to  
four organizations  
serving inner city  
youth in America

**20**

athletic balls & shoes  
donated to a girls  
basketball team in  
Nigeria





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YOUR ONGOING  
SUPPORT OF OUR  
WORK!

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