

A. Mission Overview

Home to Enhance African Life's (HEAL) mission is to form Servant Leaders thru poverty relief, education, and entrepreneurship in the Self-Emptying Spirit of Christ.

HEAL serves poor and marginalized rural village children and widows in Southeast Nigeria in two Catholic missionary schools, Berthrand Okonkwo Memorial Comprehensive Academy (BOMCA) and Mother Enabler Nursery & Primary School (MENPS).



BOMCA



MENPS

B. Programs

In **2018**, 450 poor and marginalized village children received:

1. Nutrition

- Home grown crops and foods purchased at local village markets.
- Clean water for drinking, washing, and cooking from two village wells.



2. Education

- 123 children educated at HEAL missionary school in Ohaji village.
- 324 children educated at HEAL missionary school in Mbaise village.



3. Medical care

- First-aid and basic preventative medical care from staff nurse.
- Hospital visits for cases of moderate to severe illness or injury



4. Shelter (90 children)

- 36 boarding students at missionary school in Ohaji village
- 54 boarding students at missionary school in Mbaise village



5. Advocacy

- Legal defense for mission property title rights disputed by intruders.
- Legal defense for orphans who have been forced from their homes.



C. New Projects

1. Security Cameras

Due to risks posed by kidnapping, armed robbery, sponsored agitations and other threats common in rural areas, security cameras with monitors were installed in multiple locations for the proper surveillance of the comings and goings of all parties proximate to HEAL's mission site in Ihitte Akpim village. With this security system in place, the element of surprise is greatly reduced since any stranger entering the vicinity will be viewed on the monitors.



2. Exam Center

Every Junior Secondary student in Nigeria must take the Basic Education Certificate Exam and pass it in order to advance from Junior Secondary into Senior Secondary school. In order to comply with the Federal Ministry of Education requirements for national exams, HEAL constructed and furnished a standard Exam Center on the mission site of Ihitte Akpim village. The first Junior Secondary student group from BOMCA took the BECE exam in the new center in June 2018.



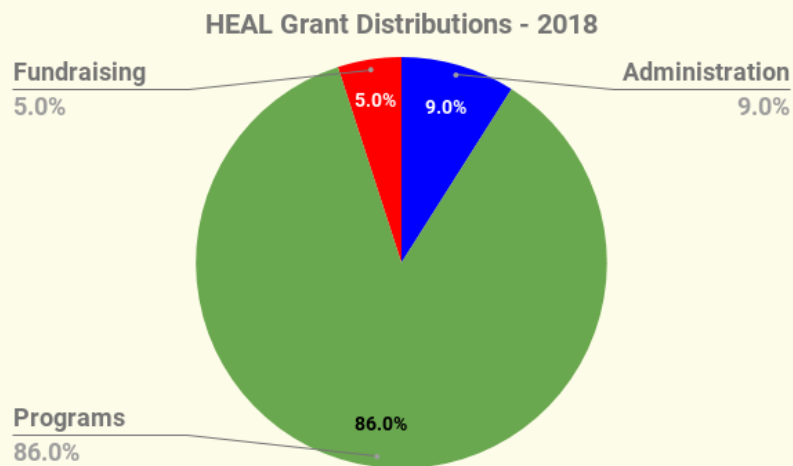
3. Science Lab

As part of their formation in science, every Senior Secondary student in Nigeria is required to obtain science lab credit. Without science lab credits they would not qualify to take the Senior Secondary Certificate Exam in the sciences, which is a national exam required for entrance to any university in Nigeria. Therefore, HEAL sponsored the furnishing of a classroom with science lab equipment such as test tubes, Bunsen burners, chemical reagents, etc.



D. Grant Distribution

1. By Percentage of Budget:



2. By Dollars:

Fundraising.....	\$23,000
Administration.....	\$45,000
Programs.....	\$415,000
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Total	\$483,000

E. Our Benefactors

Table shows the vast majority of our support in 2018 came from individual donations. We also received minimal foundation grants and business sponsorships. In 2019 we will increase funding from these source types.

1. Source Types

	Donations	Grants	Sponsorships	Totals
Amount	\$433,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$443,000
Percentage	98%	1%	1%	100%

2. Appreciation

In 2018, we appealed for funding support in many places, in many ways. We found great generosity, a fruit of the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:22-23; RSV-CE), among so many of you. Our **5th Annual HEAL Benefit**

in October at Assumption Parish in Chicago stands out as a “HEAL highlight” of generous support for our mission.



On behalf of the children and widows in our care, HEAL gives thanks to each of you who supported our mission in 2018!

F. Testimonies

Facts and figures only tell part of the story of HEAL's great success in serving our clients among poor and marginalized orphans, widows, and rural villagers. Here are a few testimonies from both our clients and missionary leadership regarding the work of the mission in 2018 from their perspective and experiences.

1. Deacon Leonard Okonkwo, HEAL Founder

"HEAL believes in training children to experience the principles of Servant Leadership so that they will guide the behavioral patterns of the future Nigeria and all of Africa!"



2. Cal Alvin Chiamera, JS-1 student

"I am part of the HEAL initiative. HEAL gives me not just any education but a standard one with good facilities, such as a well equipped computer lab and our chapel where we pray morning prayer, evening prayer, and the Rosary daily."



3. Sampson Racheal Chioma, JS-2 student

"Because my parents are poor, HEAL missionaries have been paying my school fees and boarding fees. I thank HEAL for funding my education."



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