

ASABE SHEHU YAR'ADUA FOUNDATION  
(ASYARFS)

PROJECT REPORT  
ON  
CAUSES OF STREET CHILD

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Asabe Shehu Yar'Adua foundation (ASYARF), a non-governmental organization (NGO), has said the imbalance in the distribution of national wealth was largely responsible for the rising incidence of street child.

The President /Founder stated this during the Street Child Awareness Campaign in Abuja.

She also said lack of empowerment of the majority in the society has culminated in poverty "making it imperative for the citizenry to attach little importance to the place of value and decency in battle for survival in a rising competitive environment"



The way out of the current predicament is redistributing our common wealth in such a way that we can bridge the existing yawning economic gap between the rich and the poor, the governed and the led. That is the only way we can create social harmony and create a new political and economic order.

In order to find a realistic and enduring solution to the street child syndrome, solution includes the creation of a conducive atmosphere for the citizens to meet the basic needs such as foods, shelter, self actualization, health care, education, security and building of institutions that can foster good governance and accountability which will translate to the promotion and sustenance of good values. The need to step up campaigns aimed at engendering the spirit of individual expertise or self reliance and

de-emphasize the culture of the youths thinking that only government could offer them employment, whereas they could utilize their individual natural endowments to create large opportunities for themselves and others in the society. Also for people to abide by the global Convention on the Rights of the child, which among others include the basic human rights that children everywhere must have. This includes the right to survival, to develop, protection from harmful influences, abuse, exploitation and to participate fully in family, cultural and social life. If we have been implementing this cardinal objective and aim of the convention, we would not be talking about the problem of the street child today.