



## Civic Education Program for 200 Students in Nigeria

### The Problem:

The absence of quality civic education in public schools is one of the challenges in reversing corruption, indiscipline, and the disregard for the rules of law in Nigeria. Civic Education plays an active role in promoting civic engagement and supporting democratic and participatory governance, because the development of a nation hinges on good and effective citizenship. Parts of civic education are currently incorporated into the Social Studies curriculum in Nigeria. However, the success of a civic education curriculum poses a challenge for social studies teachers, because there are a limited number of qualified teachers available to teach civic education.

### Who We Are:

Act4Accountability's (ACT4) believes that accountability is essential to any sustainable and healthy community. ACT4's mission is to build a culture of accountability within Africans and the Diaspora through civic engagement. As a Diaspora-led organization, we are committed to the reversal of the brain drain into brain gain for Africans. We envision an Africa free of corruption.

### Project Summary:

ACT4 is raising \$40,000 to pilot a two (2) month after-school civic education program for 200 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grade (Junior Secondary School) students in Nigeria. The program will provide the following:

- An experiential curriculum designed to educate Nigerian students about:
  - Nationhood,
  - Democratic values and attitudes
  - Human rights and Tolerance
  - Relationship between citizens, government, and the environment.
- 7- Day Teacher Intensive Program to train 20 teachers to effectively deliver the curriculum
- An innovative and experiential approach to teaching values that is creative and fun for the students.

For our calculations, we estimate the cost of this pilot program with 200 students and 20 teachers, including curriculum training, materials, transportation, meals, and lodging will be about \$40,000.

Here is the breakdown:

1. Curriculum development, instructional design, and training materials: **\$15,000**
2. 7-Day Teacher Education Training: **\$10,000**
3. Implement in one school (after-school meals, supplies, student transportation, and teacher compensation): **\$15,000**

### Impact:

The pilot program will be measured as follows:

- Students' demonstration of knowledge in their final essays and presentations.
- Students' ability to translate the curriculum with their daily lives.
- Number of students involved with extracurricular activities and their involvement in leadership positions, engagement in community work, and participation in student government or Civics Club.
- Evaluation of teacher performance and ability to create classroom climate that is free and open.