



● The Awahsa'a Ngeniform Foundation

Who We Are

The **Awahsa'a Ngeniform (AN) Foundation** is committed to supporting at-risk youth and communities facing complex and often intersecting challenges of unemployment, gender inequality and related violence, social exclusion, conflict, climate fragility, and forced displacement. We believe in the potential of every young person and strive to create a brighter future for all at-risk youth in Cameroon. We provide comprehensive support through education and skills, psychosocial support services, leadership development, and advocacy for policy change. Our approach emphasizes local ownership, fostering sustainable solutions for income-generating activities, and ensuring long-term impact through beneficiary continuity programs. Our mission is to create a supportive and enabling environment for at-risk youth and communities in Cameroon, providing them with needed tools to achieve their positive aspirations for development and a prosperous, resilient society.

Our Approach

The AN Foundation's approach is grounded in the belief that sustainable progress requires a home-grown, multi-faceted and collaborative effort. We work closely with local communities, schools, social services, religious communities, business enterprises, government agencies, and international organizations to:

- *Source and Build Local Ownership:* We identify and support local stakeholders to take ownership of youth programs and community initiatives, ensuring their long-term sustainability and impact.



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- *Support Income-Generating Opportunities:* We create vocational training centers and income-generating activities to provide youth with economic opportunities and enhance community resilience.
- *Develop Sustainable Solutions:* We center on the expressed needs and priorities of beneficiary youth and communities, as these might evolve with changed circumstances. Our continuity approach seeks to ensure that program benefits vastly outweigh any residual risks, and benefits continue to reach future generations.
- *Implement Robust Monitoring and Evaluation:* We track the progress of our initiatives through data collection, routine feedback from key stakeholders, and beneficiary follow-up.

In our work, we strive to:

- *Empower through Education:* We facilitate access to quality information, education, vocational training, and scholarship opportunities, equipping youth with the skills and knowledge they need to thrive.
- *Nurture Mental and Emotional Wellbeing:* We offer or relay to trauma-informed survivor-centered care, professional counseling services, and support groups to address the mental health needs of at-risk youth and communities.
- *Foster Diverse Leadership Attributes at Home:* We empower youth to become agents of change through leadership dialogue and training forums, community action, and peace education initiatives.
- *Advocate for Policy Change:* We advocate for policies that protect the rights of at-risk youth and communities,



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promote their safety and well-being and create a more equitable and just society.

- *Strengthen Communities:* We work with local communities, organizations, and stakeholders to build a network of support for at-risk youth and promote community development initiatives.