

#### **INTRODUCTION**

As we draw the curtains in May, we look back at some of our impact stories, reflect on new relationships and partnerships forged, and take you through fun moments that remind us of the importance of work-life balance. From our Nutrition impact project success story in Niger State to testimonials, Commemoration of international days, First Board Meetings, Courtesy Visits to our Friendly Football Match with the good people at the Médecins Sans Frontières (Doctors Without Borders)

As we proceed into June, we are excited about the projects and new opportunities inherent for us as an organisation. We hope you continue to stick with us on this journey of impact and community development in shaping the world one day at a time.

## ANRIN STAKEHOLDERS BI-ANNUAL MEETING FOR NIGER STATE



The ANRIN Project Steering Committee Meeting served as a pivotal platform for strategic oversight and guidance to ensure the effective implementation of the Accelerating Nutrition Results in Nigeria project in

Niger State. This bi-annual gathering as mandated by the World Bank, was to review progress, address challenges, and provide direction for achieving project goals.

Nutrition serves as a cornerstone of human development, shaping health outcomes, economic productivity, and overall well-being. In response to the urgent need to address malnutrition in Nigeria, the Accelerating Nutrition Results in Nigeria (ANRiN) project was initiated to ignite positive change within Niger State. Implemented by non-state actors, AYGF and Plan International across 25 local government area.

The bi-annual gathering had in attendance the Niger state Commissioner for secondary & tertiary health, Dr. Bello Tukur, Chairman house committee on Health Niger House of Assembly, Hon. Umar Nasir, our Executive Director, Dr Arome Salifu, Director of Resource and Mobilization Plan International, Dr. Oji Ogbureke and other relevant stakeholders as mandated by the World Bank, aims to review progress, address challenges, and provide direction for achieving project goals.

Read the full article on our website

### AYGF ACCELERATING NUTRITION RESULTS IN NIGERIA (ANRIN) TESTIMONIALS - KATSINA STATE

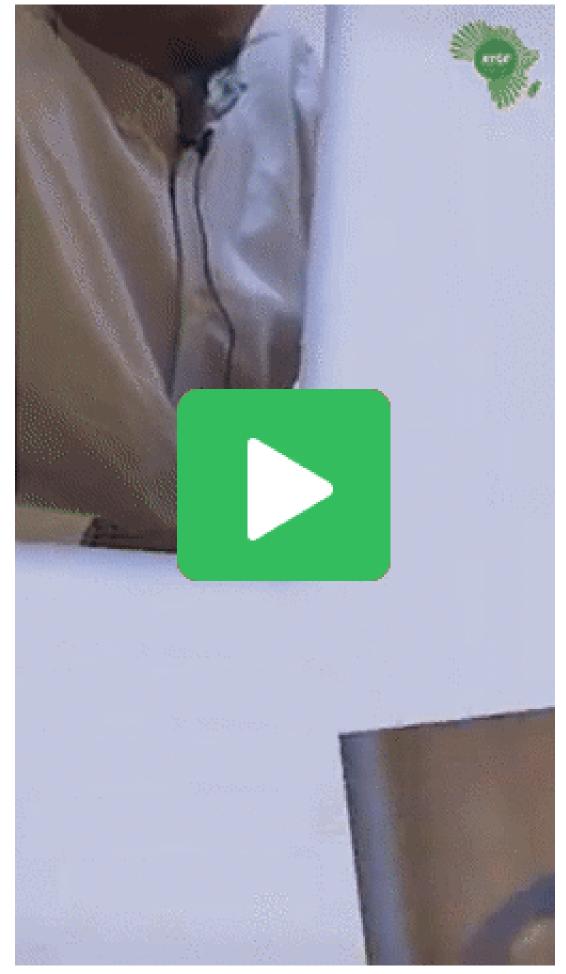


In the last 3 years, AYGF has implemented the Accelerating Nutrition Results in Nigeria, ANRIN Project across Kogi, Niger and Katsina States. This initiative has provided commodities such as Vitamin A, MNP, Albendazole, Zinc. ORS and provided counseling for maternal and infant health. Here's a few testimonials from some beneficiaries in Kaita LGA of Katsina State.

Protecting the health of mothers and children is our passion. It's one step closer to achieving SDG 3.8: Universal Health Coverage.

Let's do our part and work towards a world with no malnutrition.

## AYGF COMMEMORATES WORKER'S DAY 2024



AYGF joined the rest of the world to commemorate Workers Day on the 1st of May with a short video to serve as a reminder that we value their dedication.

To our dedicated and resilient workers in our various offices who work tirelessly to improve the lives and overall health of people in different communities, we say **THANK YOU**.

Enjoy the video documented for the celebration of Worker's Day at AYGF.

## AYGF COMMEMORATES WORLD HYGIENE DAY 2024



Clean hands are a simple yet powerful tool to prevent the spread of disease.

As a champion for WASH, AYGF commemorated the World Hygiene Day, urging everyone to make handwashing a priority.

Together, let's encourage proper handwashing practices and ensure access to clean water and sanitation facilities. Let's save lives by cleaning our hands.

#### AYGF COMMEMORATES WORLD MENSTRUAL HYGIENE DAY 2024



AYGF was fortunate to commemorate World Hygiene Day 2024 with an insightful new episode of our S.E.N.S.E podcast centred around the topic.

World Menstrual Hygiene Day is an annual awareness on May 28 to highlight the importance of good menstrual hygiene management and break the taboos surrounding menstruation. It was initiated by the German-based NGO WASH United. The day rallies the international community to advocate for a world free of period poverty and stigma, and to take urgent action to improve menstrual health.

In commemoration of Menstrual Hygiene Day, our episode focused on the theme: Together for a #PeriodFriendlyWorld. Our guest, Ms. Ayomiposi Ogundipe, Founder of the Ablefort Initiative (AFI) and a passionate advocate for girls and menstrual hygiene, discussed the stigma and taboos surrounding menstruation, along with potential solutions to create a supportive environment.

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#### **AYGF HOLDS BOARD MEETING FOR 2024**



The organisation held its first Board meeting for 2024, and we are glad to bring you video highlights from the meeting.

Chaired by the Board Chairman Dr Otive Igbuzor, the Executive Director of the Africa Centre for Leadership, Strategy, & Development, CLSD the meeting had in attendance, Prof. Dakas CJ Dakas( SAN), a former Attorney-General and Commissioner for Justice of Plateau State, Prof. Samuel Egwu, former Resident Electoral Commissioner, Niger state, Dr Sam Amadi, former chairman of the Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission

(NERC), Prof. Nana Tanko, Executive Director Victims Support Fund(VFS), Pastor Cedrick Osokpor, Executive Director of Job Creation, Executive Director AYGF, Dr Arome Salifu and the management team.

# AYGF PAYS COURTESY VISIT TO THE PALLADIUM



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### AYGF PAYS COURTESY VISIT TO NATIONAL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (NPHCDA)



Towards strengthening Community Advocacy and provision of primary health care services in Nigeria, the AYGF team paid a courtesy visit to the National Primary Health Care Development Agency, NPHCDA.

The team was well received by the Director NPHCDA, Dr Memuna Hamisu and her team. She commended AYGF for the good work done over the years in the area of public health which aligns with areas NPHCDA is committed to.

The meeting highlighted the need for improved health care delivery, sustainability of health care initiatives in Nigeria and building partnerships.

### AYGF COMMEMORATES CHILDREN'S DAY 2024

AYGF celebrated our leaders of tomorrow and the boundless potentials of every child on May 27th, in honor of Children's Day.



Every dream deserves a chance, every voice deserves to be heard, and every child deserves a life full of joy and opportunities. In light of this celebration, let's unite to ensure every child has the right to education, good healthcare, good food, love and protection.

"For every child, every right"

### AYGF TEAMS UP WITH DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS (DWB) FOR A FRIENDLY MATCH



Team AYGF joined forces with Doctors Without Borders (DWB) for a friendly football match. It served as a team-building exercise, fostering camaraderie through a shared love of sports. The match provided an opportunity for AYGF and DWB to build rapport while exploring the potential for future collaboration on future projects.

At AYGF the ability to balance work, family and fun is at the core of what makes us a formidable team. Follow us on all our social media pages for real-time updates on all our activities.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you.

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