

THE JOURNEY...

It's been two (2) years of little drops, and an ocean is gradually forming...

Rome wasn't built in a day, but the construction started one day anyway; When THRivE was conceived, we simply sought to reach out to a small community of people but 2 years down the line, it looks like we're building something as magnificent as Rome.

On the 1st of December, 2018, we officially went live on "thriveopportunities.org". let me take you on a short trip down memory lane; On the soils of the land of peace (Sharm El Sheikh), I met Rahima Yushawu and Victor Adeleke Afolayan at an International conference, the "World Youth Forum".

We not only connected, we shared similar dreams and desires, and rubbed minds on how to go about them - truly, just as the old saying "a problem shared is a problem half-solved"- I took stock of the number of attendees from my country Sierra Leone, and in my discouragement that the figure was nothing to write home about, I shared my desire to help youths access information faster with her and an idea sprung up-an online platform to disseminate information faster.

Within 30 days, ThRivE opportunities was birthed.



ThRivE Wings

- ThRivE Opportunities
- ThRivE PAT (Plant a tree)
- ThRivE GEC (Global Essay Competition)
- ThRivE YEP (Youth Empowerment Programme)
- ThRivE Cares

We had a firm belief that Us helping to light the candles of others won't blow ours out. Hence, irrespective of our imbalances, everyone should get a fair shot at opportunities/avenues to help properly shape them for a successful and impactful life here on earth, leaving every man with a question: **'am I willing to ThRivE?'**

Our dream of reaching youths of one country, broadened to **encapsulate** larger grounds has warranted the need to collaborate with both organizations and individuals who we believe share in our common goal of **"lighting the**

candles of others won't blow yours out".

Some relationships have proven fruitful while some have turned out to be yet another wrong turn - just as it is commonly said "behind every great success story lies a million twists and turns". If anything, we have learnt that we can only succeed or learn from unpleasant experiences; either way, we never lose, rather if we fail, we fail forward.



"Lighting the candle of others won't blow yours out."

In the past two years, we have accomplished some huge feats, some of which include:

- **Mental Health Dialogue in collaboration with the Global Institute of Emotional Health & Wellness**
- **Poetry contest: Partnership with Craving 4 development and Glowing Embers Network in commemoration of Mental Health Awareness Month.**
- **12 country ambassadors around Africa (Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Zambia, Zimbabwe)**
- **143,024 website - site sessions, 07m 15s on average per session (7,143 in the last 30 days)**
- **178,576 website post views (9, 713 in the last 30days)**
- **6,500 interactions on Facebook**



Mental Health Awareness



THRIVE

What to expect from us in the third year.

We set a goal for our first year, which was to establish a framework for opportunities sharing. For our second year, as much as we desired conquering further grounds, we committed to further consolidating a solid ground for our opportunities wing in a bid to provide us the necessary platform to focus renewed efforts on other dreams we had from the start, which by our evaluation, has been very successful.



As we celebrate our second year anniversary and look forward to the third, we seek to:

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- Support/Establish frameworks that help to provide basic amenities and enlightenment avenues at the grassroots.
- Establish a good system within our organization that deals with education in the area of energizing the minds of young children on the need for inclusion in contributing their own quota to the development of African and the world at large.
- Actively engage and lend our thoughts to governments and players around the world in areas listed above (Education, Climate Change, etc.).

Rome was only not built in a day neither was it built by a small group of people: We cannot do all these alone, hence, we desire your help and support. What we need ranges from funds to ideas to able and willing hands on ground willing to serve as ambassadors for this great task.



If you feel like working with us in any respect, please feel free to reach us via email and we would gladly engage you.

ThRivE doesn't belong to just me or the staff, as we are only builders of the city, but is for all of us including you our subscribers – A functional Rome will be completed. It's not a matter of "If", but "when".

Thank you for letting us serve you and humanity at large.

Wishing you the very best in 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink. The signature is stylized, starting with a large, bold letter 'A' that has a horizontal line through it. Below the 'A', the name 'Alfiatu Kamara' is written in a cursive, flowing script.

Alfiatu Kamara

Founder, ThRivE.