'Friends of the Students' works to ensure that products of the Nigerian education system are locally and globally competitive so they can contribute to the sustainable growth and development of the country.



Problem

There is high unemployment rate among graduates of higher institutions in Nigeria. Literature survey about the problem and interviews with employers of labour in Nigeria revealed that the issue is the inability of the education system to produce high quality employable graduates rather them the lack of employment.

Solution

Create and enabling environment that support and enhance learning, Collaborate with educational institutions at all levels to design and synergise curriculum, Training students and graduates of higher institutions on soft skills, donation of textbooks, procurement/upgrade of training facilities, capacity building of teachers in educational institutions at all levels in Nigeria.

Marketsize

Students and graduates at all levels of education in Nigeria.

Competition

Friends of the students takes a systematic approach to ensure that quality education is delivered to students at all level of the education irrespective of their ability to pay.

SkillNG only serves youths who have the ability to pay thereby automatically excluding majority of students who cannot afford to pay.

Revenue model

Voluntary donations by students, their parents and Nigerians, Grants from local and International donors, government ministries, agencies and department of education, crowd funding

GTM strategy

Advert on media, hand bills, billboard and posters, Involving them in the planning and implementation of the programs/projects

Traction:

So far 'Friends of the Students' have donated over 400 college level textbooks to the statistics and operations research department of Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola, Adamawa State Nigeria. The library has been used by over 1200 graduates of the department .Currently the library is serving over 214 students and faculty of the same department.

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