



Drive to Inspire
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THE DRIVE REPORT

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OVERVIEW

Welcome to our **February 2025** newsletter!

In this edition, we share the activities of the organisation throughout the month, including the announcement of our first cohort of scholarship beneficiaries, highlights from our Impact Report and Fundraiser event, details about our upcoming Mentorship Programme, and an overview of the outreach we embarked on during the month.



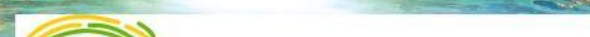
COMPASSION

EMPOWERING
YOUTH

RESILIENCE

SELF AWARENESS

ADOLESCENT HEALTH EDUCATION



2024 Impact Report & Fundraiser Event

As an organisation that values accountability, we recognise the importance of periodically providing detailed accounts of our activities to all stakeholders. Driven by our commitment to supporting young people with resources from partners and sponsors—and seizing the opportunity to raise additional funds—we hosted the Empowering Futures: 2024 Impact Report and Fundraiser event in Accra on Saturday, 22nd February 2025.

The event was well attended by partners, sponsors, and representatives of various organisations that share our mission. As part of the event, we announced the beneficiaries of our scholarship programme and presented them with laptops to support their academic journey. We also shared updates on our outreach events, mentorship initiatives, and internship programmes.

Beyond celebrating our achievements, the event reinforced the collective effort needed to drive lasting change. The stories shared by our beneficiaries highlighted the real impact of our work and the transformative power of education and mentorship. We remain committed to expanding our reach, creating more opportunities for young people, and strengthening collaborations with those who believe in our vision.











First Cohort of scholarship beneficiaries announced

Seventeen young women have been selected as beneficiaries of our maiden scholarship programme. The recipients, who come from thirteen senior high schools across five regions, were chosen by an independently constituted scholarship awards committee comprising distinguished individuals from diverse fields. The DTIA scholarship covers tuition, accommodation, and other academic expenses for the entire duration of their studies, provided they maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average each academic year.

Our Selection Process

With the help of KPMG, our accountability partner, we developed a scholarship award framework and criteria, which guided the selection of awardees. A nine-member committee evaluated applicants based on academic merit, financial need, community engagement, and leadership potential.

Drive to Inspire – Africa will conduct regular check-ins and performance reviews, hold one-on-one meetings, and track academic progress to ensure the continued success of our scholars.



















Monthly outreach: Visit to SWESCO & APASS

On Wednesday, 12th February 2025, our team embarked on an outreach programme to Swedru Senior High School (SWESCO) and Apam Senior High School (APASS) in the Central Region, with the support of our transport partner, GH Express Transport Services. This initiative provided students with an opportunity to engage directly with professionals, ask pressing questions, and gain insights into various career paths and strategies for achieving their aspirations.

Outreach programmes remain at the heart of our work as a youth-driven organisation, bridging the gap between students and professionals. These sessions not only expose students to real-world experiences but also serve as a source of inspiration, highlighting the limitless opportunities available in today's interconnected world.

We were honoured to have Sidig Faroug El Toun, CEO of Africa Prosperity Network, join us as a special guest. With extensive experience in diplomatic roles, he stands as a testament to the vast possibilities awaiting young people. He shared personal insights on pushing beyond self-imposed limitations and embracing opportunities for growth and development.

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Board Member, Ms Mansa Williams, also addressed the students, stressing the importance of choosing positive role models. She urged them to look beyond popularity and seek inspiration from individuals whose values and work ethic align with their aspirations. Additionally, she highlighted the significance of engaging in self-improvement activities, such as reading, to broaden their knowledge and perspectives.

The health segment featured clinical psychologists Isaac Amparbeng, Jonathan Amartey, and Samuel Osae from the Cape Coast Teaching Hospital, who spoke about the importance of mental health in overall well-being. They provided practical guidance on stress management, equipping students with essential strategies for maintaining emotional resilience in both their academic and personal lives.

As is customary in our outreach sessions, students participated in breakout sessions, which allowed for personalised discussions based on their career interests. Professionals from diverse fields—including HR, Business, Medicine, Education, IT, Media, Law, and the Ghana Armed Forces—shared their experiences, offering practical advice to help students make informed decisions about their future.

Outreach Details

School	No. of volunteers	No. of Students Engaged	Breakout sessions	Level of students
Apass	15	303	8	Form 3
Swesco	15	330	8	Form 3

Professions of Volunteers	No. volunteers
Media	1
Human Resource & Admin	2
Business & Finance	3
Law	1
Healthcare	4
Education	1
Information Technology	1
Ghana Armed Forces	2













Mentorship Programme Expands to More Countries

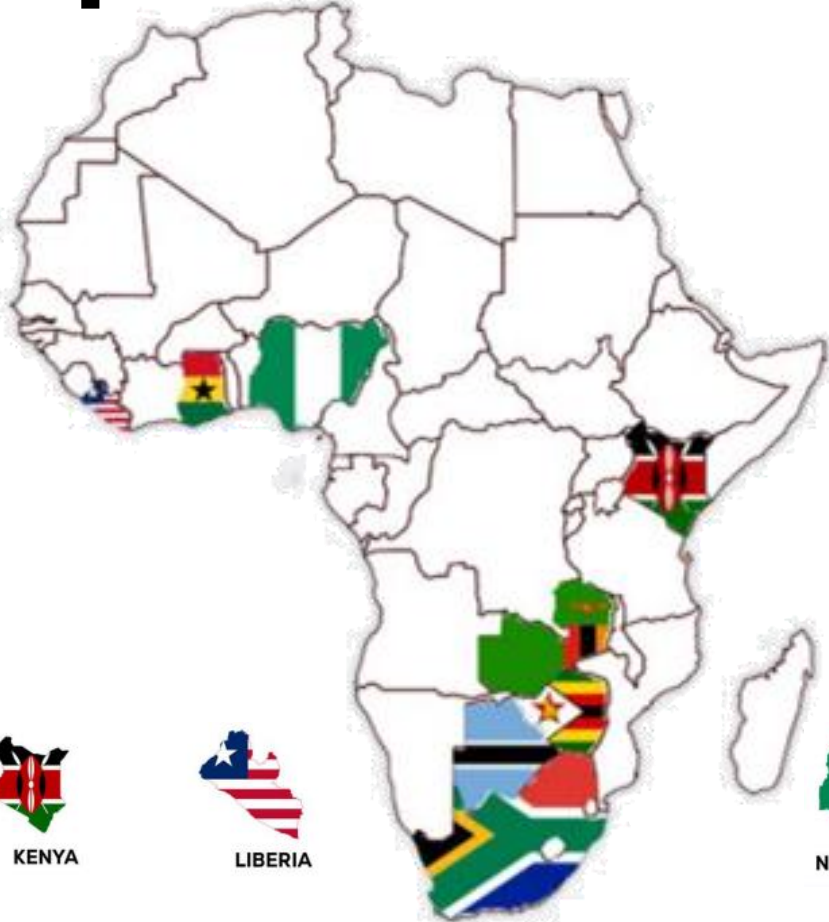
Our Mentorship for Girls programme returns on 1st March 2025. The three-month programme will pair mentees with mentors and will run until 31st May 2025.

For the first time, our programme has received applications from eight African countries: Botswana, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe and Ghana. Mentors and mentees from these countries will be paired for the virtual mentorship, where the mentors will help guide the mentees towards achieving their goals.

This programme is vital in empowering young women by providing them with the support and guidance they need to navigate their academic and professional journeys. Through personalised mentorship, we aim to equip mentees with valuable skills, build their confidence, and offer a clear sense of direction, ultimately helping them realise their full potential.

Before the programme begins, DTIA will hold a virtual orientation session for both mentors and mentees to establish the ground rules for the programme.

Footprint Map



BOTSWANA



GHANA



KENYA



LIBERIA



NIGERIA



SOUTH AFRICA



ZAMBIA



ZIMBABWE

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