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As Co-Chair and National Secretariat of the Coalition to End Child Marriage in Nigeria, the child and youth protection foundation; CYPF continues to demonstrate leadership in advancing national efforts to eliminate child marriage. As part of its strategic advocacy engagements, CYPF led the formal presentation of the

Stakeholders Analysis Report and accompanying Policy Brief to the Deputy Governor of Kwara State, Elder Kayode Alabi, during a high-level courtesy and advocacy visit to his office in Ilorin.

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### CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

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### CYPF Hikes for a cause

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### Inclusion in Action

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### NCC 2025

CYPF represented at the National Children's Conference 2025.

## **CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOP**

In Calabar, CYPF participated in a capacity-building workshop organized by the Coalition with support from Girls Not Brides. The workshop showcased the power of collective efforts and the need for CSOs to strengthen their interventions through collaboration. Engagements with the Cross River State Commissioner for Women Affairs yielded commitments to deepen CSO–government partnerships.



The reviewed Cross River State Child Rights Law (2023) was highlighted as a critical tool, and stakeholders stressed the need for meaningful child participation—especially for girls. CYPF remains committed to driving unified action to end child marriage across Nigeria.

## **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE BOY CHILD**

CYPF Marks International Day of the Boy Child with Purpose in Kuje. To commemorate the International Day of the Boy Child, CYPF visited Government Secondary School, Kuje, for a special school intervention. The session focused on boys with special needs, creating space for open dialogue, encouragement, and support.

Our team led an interactive session promoting emotional well-being, inclusion, and self-worth. The visit emphasized the importance of listening to boys' voices and addressing their unique challenges.



Together, we are building a world where every boy feels seen, heard, and valued.



## **CYPF SUPPORTS OMINYA INITIATIVE'S CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION IN LUGBE**

On Children's Day, CYPF joined Ominya Initiative at ECWA Church, Lugbe, for a community celebration dedicated to children's well-being. Organized by Ominya Initiative, the event provided over 150 children with engaging activities, fun games, and life-building lessons. CYPF contributed by sharing child protection messages and distributing IEC materials to both children and caregivers. The celebration highlighted the value of every child and the role of the community in ensuring their safety and development.

Together, we are creating safe spaces where every child can thrive.





## **CYPF AND OMINYA INITIATIVE REACH OUT TO OUT-OF-SCHOOL CHILDREN IN LUGBE**

During the holiday, CYPF in collaboration with Ominya Initiative engaged with children and parents in Lugbe Community, focusing on public primary school pupils from LEA Lugbe who have been out of school for over two months.

The outreach aimed to understand the barriers keeping children away from school and to encourage parents on the importance of education. CYPF and Ominya Initiative used the visit to share messages on child rights, education, and community responsibility.

Together, we are working to ensure no child is left behind in the pursuit of learning and a better future.



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## **CYPF HIKES FOR A CAUSE ON WORLD DAY AGAINST CHILD LABOUR IN KUJE**



To mark the World Day Against Child Labour, CYPF organized a community hike in Kuje to raise awareness about the plight of children trapped in labour.

The event brought together young people, community members, and advocates who walked in solidarity to demand a better future for every child. Along the route, CYPF shared messages on the importance of education, protection, and ending child exploitation.

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## **INCLUSION IN ACTION; CYPF and Child Shield Initiative** **Use Football to Break Barriers in Kuje**



CYPF, in collaboration with Child Shield Initiative, hosted a powerful football match at GGS Kuje, bringing together boys with disabilities and players from Extension FC.

The match was more than just a game, it was a celebration of inclusion, ability, and unity. The field came alive with excitement, teamwork, and joy as participants showed that everyone deserves a chance to shine.

Through this event, CYPF reinforced its commitment to breaking down barriers and creating safe, inclusive spaces where no child is left behind.





## **CYPF Participates in the National Children's Conference** **2025**

CYPF proudly participated in the National Children's Conference 2025 as a member of the National Steering Committee on Ending Child Labour and part of the conference planning team.

The event brought together children, government representatives, CSOs, and advocates to discuss key issues affecting children in Nigeria. CYPF actively contributed to the conversations, drawing from its grassroots experience and promoting child-led advocacy.

Our presence at the conference reaffirmed our commitment to policy influence, collaboration, and creating safe spaces where every child's voice matters.

we are dedication to youth-driven engagement, shaping policies, and fostering inclusive environments where children's perspectives are valued.





## **CYPF SUPPORTS MENSTRUAL HYGIENE DAY OUTREACH IN GOMBE STATE**

As part of our commitment to girls' empowerment and menstrual health, CYPF partnered with ADDA Girl Education Foundation to commemorate Menstrual Hygiene Day 2025 at Government Girls Science Secondary School, Kumo, Gombe State.



Through this collaboration, CYPF donated copies of the Period Diary, a resource developed by She's The First to support 25 adolescent girls in ADDA's Let's Talk Club safe space. The diary helps girls track their menstrual cycles while promoting good hygiene practices.

It also features the Global *#GirlsBillofRights*, written by girls for girls, affirming their right to education, equality, decision-making, and protection from exploitation. The girls were also introduced to the What Would You Do card game an engaging tool that teaches boundary-setting and healthy relationship skills through interactive, play-based learning. CYPF remains proud to support initiatives that build girls' confidence, strengthen life skills, and ensure they grow up informed, protected, and empowered.

