OWN YOUR OPPORTUNITY

OYO · A youth empowerment manifesto for Ikorodu

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THE DEAL

OYO is not a handout. It is a deal, and both sides sign it.

	WHAT YOU GET	WHAT YOU GIVE
01	Six months of real training in work that employers are hiring for right now.	Show up. Every day. On time.
02	A six-month paid internship with a real company. Real work, not sitting and watching.	Treat it like the job it is, because it is one.
03	A monthly transport and data stipend from your first week, paid straight to your account.	200 points at the start. Lateness and absence cost points. At zero, you are out.
04	An adviser, a mentor, and a weekly group that will not let you disappear quietly.	Ask for help early, while a small problem is still small.
05	A certificate that means something, because the employers who hire helped write it.	Finish what you start.

THE PROMISE

We bring the training and the door. You bring the discipline. That is the whole deal.



Signed by me,

Hon. Adebosipo Ayinde

SDP CANDIDATE, FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, IKORODU

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THE PATH

Twelve months from the classroom to a payslip.

HOW THE YEAR RUNS

6 WEEKS

Apply and select

Ages 18 to 29 with SSCE or OND. Published criteria, then a public lottery among all who qualify. Not who you know.

6 MONTHS

Learn

Your technical track, plus business English, digital and money skills. Taught in Ikorodu, with LASUSTECH as the academic partner.

6 MONTHS

Earn

Full-time paid internship with an employer who committed before your cohort began. One day a week back in class for coaching.

12 MONTHS

Follow

Job-search support, an alumni network, and we ask what you earn at six and twelve months. Then we publish it.

THE PROMISE

A stipend from week one, a paid internship by month seven, and a job we can point to by month twelve.



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THE TRACKS

Five trades. Pick one. Every one of them is already hiring.

CHOOSE YOUR TRACK

01 Digital support and data
IT help desk, data entry and analytics, digital marketing. Anchored by banks, telecoms and tech firms, and linked to the federal 3MTT programme.

02 Industrial maintenance
Machine operator, maintenance technician, quality control. Anchored by the manufacturers on the Ikorodu Industrial Estate.

03 Clean energy and electrical
Solar PV installer, CNG conversion technician. Anchored by energy firms, and aligned with the Lagos State skills programme.

04 Health administration
Records clerk, billing and claims assistant, front-desk operations. Anchored by private hospitals, HMOs and diagnostic centres. I will design this curriculum myself.

05 Enterprise option
For those who would rather build than be hired: leave with a registered business in your trade, a working plan, and financing linked through a cooperative or microfinance bank.

THE PROMISE

Most Nigerians work for themselves. That is why the fifth track exists, and why it is not an afterthought.



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THE PROOF

We did not invent this. We are copying something that already works.

WHAT THE EVIDENCE SHOWS

30%	$8,251	$2.46
higher earnings than the control group, seven years on	extra earned in year seven alone	returned to society for every $1 spent

OYO is modelled on Year Up United, which runs this programme across the United States, including in Charlotte, North Carolina. It was tested by a federally sponsored randomised controlled trial that followed graduates for seven years. The earnings gains never faded.

	WHAT WE KEEP	WHAT WE CHANGE
01	Employers help design the training and sign internship commitments before a cohort starts.	Tracks matched to what Ikorodu is hiring for, not what Lagos Island is hiring for.
02	The 200-point professional contract, and a paid internship the employer helps fund.	An enterprise option, because most Nigerians work for themselves, not for a company.
03	Honest measurement of what graduates actually earn afterwards.	Phone surveys and employer verification, since there are no payroll records to pull.

OYO is an independent adaptation. It is not affiliated with, endorsed by, or run in partnership with Year Up United, which does not currently operate in Nigeria.

THE PROMISE

Start with 100 young people in Ikorodu. Publish the results, good or bad. Then scale.



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