

VIA Programme in Nigeria

Road safety in Nigeria

According to the Federal Road Safety Corps, 4,387 lives were lost due to road traffic accidents in Nigeria during the first six months of 2023. This figure translates to an average of 731 fatalities each month or about 24 lives lost daily. A total of 4,691 road crashes were recorded. At least 14,108 individuals suffered injuries due to these accidents, while an additional 15,789 were rescued unharmed by the Corps.

TotalEnergies Nigeria

TotalEnergies is an integrated energy company with an ambition of becoming a global player in the transition to sustainable energy. In Nigeria, the company operates in the whole value chain of Petroleum energy production and distribution spanning: upstream, midstream, and downstream. In line with the organisation's commitment to the production of more energy with less carbon, , TotalEnergies downstream launched the first solar-powered service station in West Africa – TotalEnergies service station, at Onigbagbo in Lagos, on June 12, 2014. The construction of this service station is part of efforts towards providing energy solutions that are efficient and environmentally friendly. Over 250 services stations, since then, are now powered by solar energy.

The company has been serving the Nigerian hydrocarbons industry for over 60 years, in partnership with the Nigerian Government, represented by the NNPC Limited and in different equity associations with other private companies.

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Implementing Partner/

Slum2School Africa is a leading volunteer-driven development organisation transforming society by empowering children across underserved communities in Africa with quality education, entrepreneurial skills, and psychosocial support to enable them to realise their full potential and become social reformers. We envision a world where every child has access to quality education, good health, and a happy family. We have impacted 653,662 children with academic scholarships and learning programs.

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VIA deployment

In 2023, TotalEnergies in collaboration with NNPC Limited and partners, implemented the VIA Creative Road Safety program across 100 schools in Nigeria. These schools were spread across three regions, FCT Abuja, Rivers and Lagos. A total of 21,840 school children aged 10–18 years across Nigeria were sensitised on road safety guidelines: walking safely to school. There was a creative poster competition in which student groups created 300 posters to promote pedestrian safety on the way to school.

Three regional events were organised to select 15 winners, from which the national champion emerged. In partnership with the Nigerian educational government bodies, road safety and national stakeholders, the VIA Creative program sponsored by TotalEnergies, NNPC Limited and partners has helped to promote the participation of local, regional and national allies in creating safe communities for school children across Nigeria.

Slum2School Africa, the implementing partner, has strongly contributed to the realisation of the objectives of the programme.

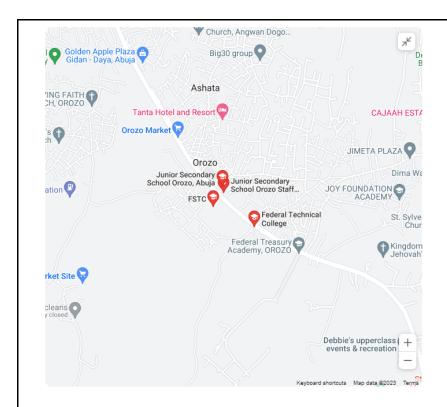
VIA safe mobility ambassadors

School info:

Government Secondary School, Orozo, is a public secondary school located in Nyanya-Karshi Road, Orozo, Abuja, Nigeria.

Link google maps:

https://www.google.com/maps/search/government+secondary+school+orozo/@8.8 967894,7.5703179,17z/data=!3m1!4b1?entry=ttu



Group of VIA ambassadors:

Student ambassadors

- 1. Nwokorie Daniel Osita
- 2. Adekunle Peace Adeola
- 3. Nwanze Esther
- 4. Usman Abdulsamad
- 5. Adah John Ondugbe

Teacher: Balogun Mark Afemiburu

Recommendations to improve safe mobility around the school

Risk identified around Government Secondary School, Orozo.

The school is located along a major highway, with two other schools also situated on the same stretch. As a result of this, hundreds of students move around the road on their way to school and return home.

However, there are no road safety indicators such as signposts, zebra crossing, speed breakers, or a pedestrian bridge on the highway. This poses a huge risk to students and

other pedestrians and has caused many road crashes, injuries and loss of the lives around the school.

Motorcycle and tricycle riders don't have safety helmets on, and do not slow down around the school environment. To compound issues, there are no road marshals on the highway to control traffic and hawkers, who cross the road without caution.

Recommendations of student ambassadors

To help control students and pedestrian movement around the school, we call on our school authorities and government to help:

- 1. Setup a major 'Slow down', 'School' signpost standing upright around the school environment.
- 2. Provide a zebra crossing and speed breakers along the road
- 3. Build a pedestrian bridge close to the school gate.
- 4. Enforce the use of safety helmets and safety reflective jackets for all tricycle and motorcycle riders.
- 5. Provide road safety marshals to control the traffic around the school, as well as discourage the loitering of hawkers on the road.

THEIR PREVENTION POSTER

