# SI4 Strategy and Innovation For Development Initiative

## The SI4DEV Partners Training Program 2019

#### Program Overview

The SI4DEV Partners Training Program is a 6-month leadership development and project management skill building opportunity for a cohort of community leaders. The potential partners convene on Facebook and Whatsapp groups with a daily schedule of inspiration, e-learning and scholarship opportunities, and once a week live training and discussions with carefully selected subject matter experts who offer insight into leadership development and project development and implementation as well as other related policy discussions. The Program builds a community of like-minded participants and promotes best practices and shared learning.

#### Benefits to Participants

- Training sessions with international program management experts to foster local solutions in the areas of health, education, governance and enterprise.
- Productive networking and discussions between participants from all over Nigeria, and face-to-face meetups with community leaders in the same location.
- A mentoring module with experienced professionals who can help to promote strategic thinking, partnership opportunities, research and innovative solutions in partners.
- Alumni membership after successfully completing the program with opportunities to participate in policy discussions, workshop summits, and networking events.
- Pilot projects will be selected for international crowdfunding with opportunity for matching funds, further training, and possible selection to scale your project.

"SI4DEV has presented an opportunity that has taken my volunteering experience to another level. Starting from the first face to face meet up with the Kaduna SI4DEV location group, I had a wonderful time networking, connecting and building good working relationships with other members. We were all young, visionary, full of ideas, life, smarts, creativity and energy...youths willing to drop their religious differences, background, educational qualification, titles, personal interest and individual ideology to propagate the values that SI4DEV represents.

I also learned more about project management, grants, proposal writing, and I also discovered the importance of relationship and team building. Working with SI4DEV opened the door for me as a social entrepreneur to pay more attention to the needs of my local community and my area of influence. To proffer realistic solutions on how to solve problems by engaging community members to be part of project ownership, planning, and project initiation. This process has helped me connect more to my community, build trust, and earn recognition." Treasure Albert, 2018 SI4DEV Partner.

#### Program Fees: N30,000

Application deadline: January 31, 2019

Period: March – August 2019

For more information or to apply, visit www.si4dev.org/apply, or email contact@si4dev.org.



### 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

1. Two participants received SI4DEV scholarships and graduated from a Nonprofit Accelerator program after 6 weeks of courses and practicum.

2. 20 participants received SI4DEV recommendations for applications to further personal or career development (scholarships and international conferences).

3. Participants successfully held a World Health Day 2018 social media campaign, amplifying 30 partner voices using hashtags #healthforall #UniversalHealthCoverage

4. For Malaria day 2018, a partner donated 30 insecticide treated mosquito nets and de-wormed 98 children in Gombe. Partners in Akwa Ibom also distributed 50 bednets to pregnant women and new mothers.

5. SI4DEV partners reached over 2000 beneficiaries for Global Youth Service Day with hand washing skills and personal development activities, food and other donations. We campaigned for youth voter registration.

6. The Partner monthly magazine showcases grassroots projects, community-specific action plans, and presentations at various occasions by partners as well as articles to make their voices heard at all levels.

7. Partners completed 8 Ambassadors Small Grants proposals which were submitted to the United States Embassy to support small community projects for key populations.

 10 physical surveys, stakeholder engagement and community needs assessment using paper-based and online tools to collate responses on current gaps and proposed solutions.

9. Benue state students aided by partners used art to advocate for peace in the conflict-ridden state through the Bezos Foundation Facing Difference Challenge.

10. 12 training sessions, plus grant writing and mentoring modules.

11. 3 Policy papers, an open letter to the governor of Oyo state, and a national workshop summit.

12. Graduated 30 Partners, 50 Fellows, 22 Ambassadors and 116 volunteers in 32 locations across over 25 states in Nigeria.