

One Year In Office: The Journey Together.

Exactly a year ago, I assumed office as the Executive Chairman of Ojodu Local Council Development Area, (LCDA). Let me begin this one-year-on-the-job speech by thanking the good people of Ojodu LCDA, who in the first place, gave me the opportunity to serve them through their votes. My deep appreciation goes to Mr. Governor, Mr Babajide Olusola Sanwo-Olu. Mr. Governor Sir, it is important to let you know that your advice and aspirations in ensuring that the good people of Ojodu LCDA are served the dividends of democracy, is being pursued with passion and will be fully realized . I also wish to thank the Deputy Gov, Mr Femi Hamzat, Chief of Staff, Mr. Tayo Ayinde, Hon. James Abiodun Faleke, MHR, Ikeja Federal Constituency, Apex leader (GAC), immediate past Chairman, Hon. Julius Oloro, Hon. Toke Benson-Awoyinka, the Speaker and all LCDA EXCO, All great party leaders in our LCDA , Party Chairman (LCDA) CDA,CDC for providing the enabling environment and support to the LCDA.

I will equally like to thank all Staff of the LCDA who have contributed immensely to us getting to where we are today. A few of our modest achievement in the last 12 months are intended to make the LCDA better through various programmes and projects that meet the needs of the masses through the H.E.Y.S Agenda.

I wish to thank our various partners in progress, WaterAid, Kimberly Clark, Nigeria Police (Ojodu Police Station), Federal Road Safety, Rotary Club of Eko Atlantic, Rotary Club Ogba and all organizations that have paid me courtesy visits to pledge their support for our administration, I thank you all.

In my assumption of office speech and manifesto in 2021, i unveiled the HEYS Agenda – Health, Education, Youth Empowerment and Social Infrastructure. In the last 12 months, our modest achievements around this agenda are:

1. Renovation of Apata PHC, Gbadamosi PHC and Oluwole PHC.
2. Upgrading of the Ogba Medical Centre to a full fledged Maternal and Child Centre in collaboration with Kewalram and the Rotary Club of Eko Atlantic, District 9110.
3. Installation of Solar panels and inverters at Oluwole, Apata and Gbadamosi Primary Health Centres for alternative energy so it could run for 24hrs
4. Commissioning of the Agidingbi Health Centre facilitated by our own MHR, Hon . Biodun Faleke.
5. Reconstruction/Renovation of the Information and Technology Center(ICT) and the Vocational Center is ongoing with upgrades on alternative power supply using Solar panels, which is already installed.

6. The Ojodu Youth Capacity Building/Enterprise development program in partnership with Ministry of Agriculture on Mechanization is in the works for our teaming youths and names have been collated across the six wards.
7. Collaboration with Water Aid UK and Kimberly Clark in providing Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) facilities across our Public Health Centres (PHC's) , Markets and Schools in line with the UN Sustainable Development Goals.
8. In line with the "HEYS" agenda on Youth Empowerment, my administration has provided access to qualitative 4yrs full time course in partnership with Kenol Nig Limited for our youths across all the six wards in vocational internship in plumbing, and electrical engineering and to date, 40 no of youths are currently enrolled.
9. Capacity Building for professional development has been greatly enhanced for various departments and units in the LCDA to improve service delivery .
10. This administration has placed premium on security and has provided 4 branded Sienna buses as patrol vans for Ogba, Ojodu, Pen Cinema and Alausa police stations.
11. Rehabilitation of Modupe street to Secretariat road (1.3km)
12. Drainage repairs of Muyibi, Shonola and Oyatogun Street.
13. Road construction at Muyibi, Shonola and Oyatogun Street.
14. Renovation and commissioning of Ojodu LCDA Legislative Chamber at the Council Secretariat,
15. Distribution of school bags and learning aids/materials to students.
16. Increased awareness and advocacy on COVID-19 vaccination at designated PHCs within the LCDA leading to a significant increase in vaccination within the LCDA.
17. Organizing of various health missions for screening on prostate, hypertension, Hepatitis B etc.
18. Distribution of 150 GCE forms and 200 JAMB forms to students in secondary schools within the vicinity, a total cost of Three million, seven hundred thousand naira (3,700,000 Naira)
19. Empowerment of artisans with tools and skills in tailoring, vulcanizing and make-up,
20. Construction of modern toilet at mechanic village with solar panels to aid access to water for hygiene and sanitation.
21. Facilitation and rehabilitation of Ayo Alabi and Mokuolu streets in Ogba.
22. Provision of market umbrella to traders and cash gifts to market men and women.

23. Free medical screening and Provision of cash gifts and palliatives to the elderly and widows within the community.

Next Steps

The success of the last 12 months will only be a pedestal for my administration to ride on to continuously pursue my agenda to provide opportunities in training, improved welfare for staff, empowerment of youths and women, improved security architecture , support to school programmes, skill acquisition to get our youths off the street, infrastructural renewal, exploring all support from private sector collaboration to develop our LCDA and so much more. I want to implore you to join hands with us to make OJODU LCDA the best.

Ijoba Ipinle Eko Ajumose ni.

Thank you All and God bless.

Hon. David Olusegun Odunmbaku.