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**EXCLUSIVE: BUILDING AFRICA'S
SPORTING FUTURE**

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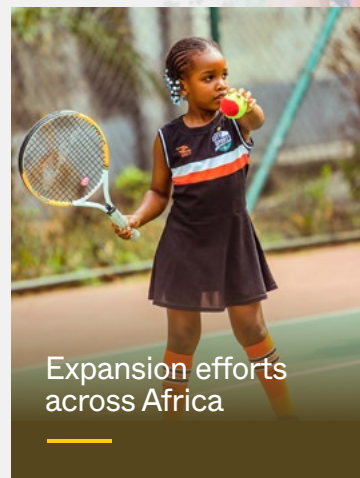
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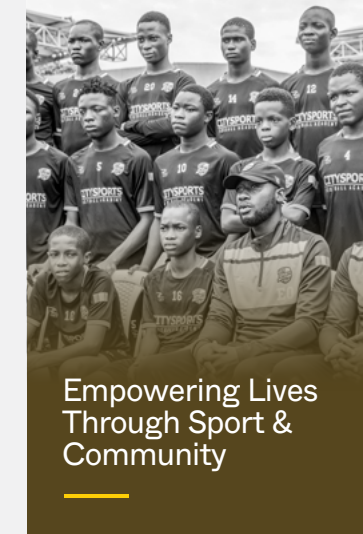
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Five years of Excellence

School Anthem



We are the pride of the city
Building minds and destinies
With practice and perseverance
We believe there are no limits
The sky is the starting point

We are the joy of our Nation
Selfless leaders we've learnt to be
Working for one another
We believe our dreams will come true
We strive to change our world

Chorus:
Oh Oh Oh
We are more
More than champions
we break records

Oh Oh Oh
We are strong In togetherness
A golden dream we share....
City Sports School is who we are (2ce)



Building Africa's Sporting Future:



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Insights from CitySports Africa's Founder



Interviewer: What inspired you to start Citysports Africa?

SO: I've always found it challenging to pinpoint a single inspiration for Citysports Africa. It's been a combination of my passion for sports and organizing programs. That's essentially the core of our inspiration. Additionally, we recognized a significant gap in the sports landscape within our environment.

Interviewer: What was the moment of epiphany that made you know this was the right path?

SO: This passion stems from my childhood. I grew up in a family of six, and my dad, who's in the military, would often return from his travels with gifts for everyone—specifically sports-related gifts for me. A defining moment came in 2006 when we launched a football club. Surprisingly, about 5,000 people showed up. We hadn't put in much effort, so the turnout was both shocking and eye-opening for me.

Interviewer: When you started Citysports Africa, what was the vision?

SO: Our primary vision was centered

on organization. We recognized the abundance of talent in Nigeria and across Africa - not just athletes, but also aspiring coaches, referees, and other sports professionals. Our goal was to create a structured platform that would provide these individuals with opportunities to showcase their abilities and pursue their aspirations in the sports industry.

Interviewer: How has this vision evolved over time, and what progress have you observed?

SO: We've witnessed substantial and humbling progress, along with an evolution of our vision. One of the most rewarding aspects has been the impact on the people. It's incredibly fulfilling to see a young athlete who joined our academy at age 10 now signing their first professional contract. We've also made significant strides in expanding our activities and programs. Our partnerships have grown considerably - we're now engaging with top-tier brands that were previously out of reach when we first started. Overall, we've seen a consistent increase in the number of lives we've been able to positively influence through our initiatives.

Interviewer: What have been some of the challenges you have faced?

SO: In the Nigerian context, our foremost challenge has been the lack of adequate facilities. The absence of proper infrastructure significantly hampers our ability to organize the range of activities we envision. Another crucial challenge has been recruiting skilled coaches - identifying and onboarding coaches who can

The biggest achievement is that I left a well paying job to start CitySports. Another achievement is that every year is better than the previous year. The consistency in growth, I will say, is one of the biggest achievements.

effectively translate our vision into reality has been a persistent hurdle.

Interviewer: In your opinion, what stands out as your most significant achievement?

SO: I consider the decision to transition from a stable, well-compensated job to founding CitySports as a major achievement. Additionally, our consistent year-on-year growth is something I'm particularly proud of. This steady progression and expansion of our impact is, in my view, one of our most notable accomplishments.

Interviewer: How would you describe your transition from the oil and gas sector to the sports industry?

SO: My career in the oil and gas industry spanned over two decades, during which I held various roles



across HR, IT, and other departments. At the time, it was my ideal career path. Interestingly, I noticed that during business meetings or training sessions, colleagues often associated me more with sports than with my official responsibilities. I interpreted this as a sign that my true calling lay in the sports sector. This realization prompted me to make the transition, and the subsequent developments have been remarkable.

Interviewer: What is your opinion on leadership and how has your experience of managing people in oil and gas impacted your sports talents?

SO: My previous role provided extensive experience in managing diverse talents and individuals with

high potential. I've been able to apply this knowledge effectively in the sports domain. At CitySports Africa, we've developed a comprehensive model for talent identification, development, and retention, drawing significantly from my corporate management experience.

Interviewer: You mentioned that it has been 5 years since CitySports Africa was founded. Could you provide a brief overview of its evolution?

SO: We initially launched as City of Lagos FC. As our reputation grew, we received numerous requests to expand our presence to other big Nigerian cities. This led to our expansion into six cities, including Kano and Ibadan. However, our original name became restrictive as we grew, and we couldn't maintain a simultaneous presence in all locations as a new enterprise. Coupled with increasing demand for diverse sports offerings, this prompted us to rebrand as Citysports School. This transition gave rise to our academy, foundation, and sports club. Subsequently, as we developed a vision for global expansion with a focus on Africa, we further evolved into CitySports Africa.

Interviewer: As Citysports Africa marks its 5th year, what are your plans for celebration?

SO: So we will kick off the celebrations by having a thanksgiving service. The main celebratory events are scheduled for December. I encourage everyone to stay updated by checking our official website for further details and announcements regarding these festivities.



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 **CITY
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**Our Journey
so far:
5 Years of
Excellence**



Blast from the Past

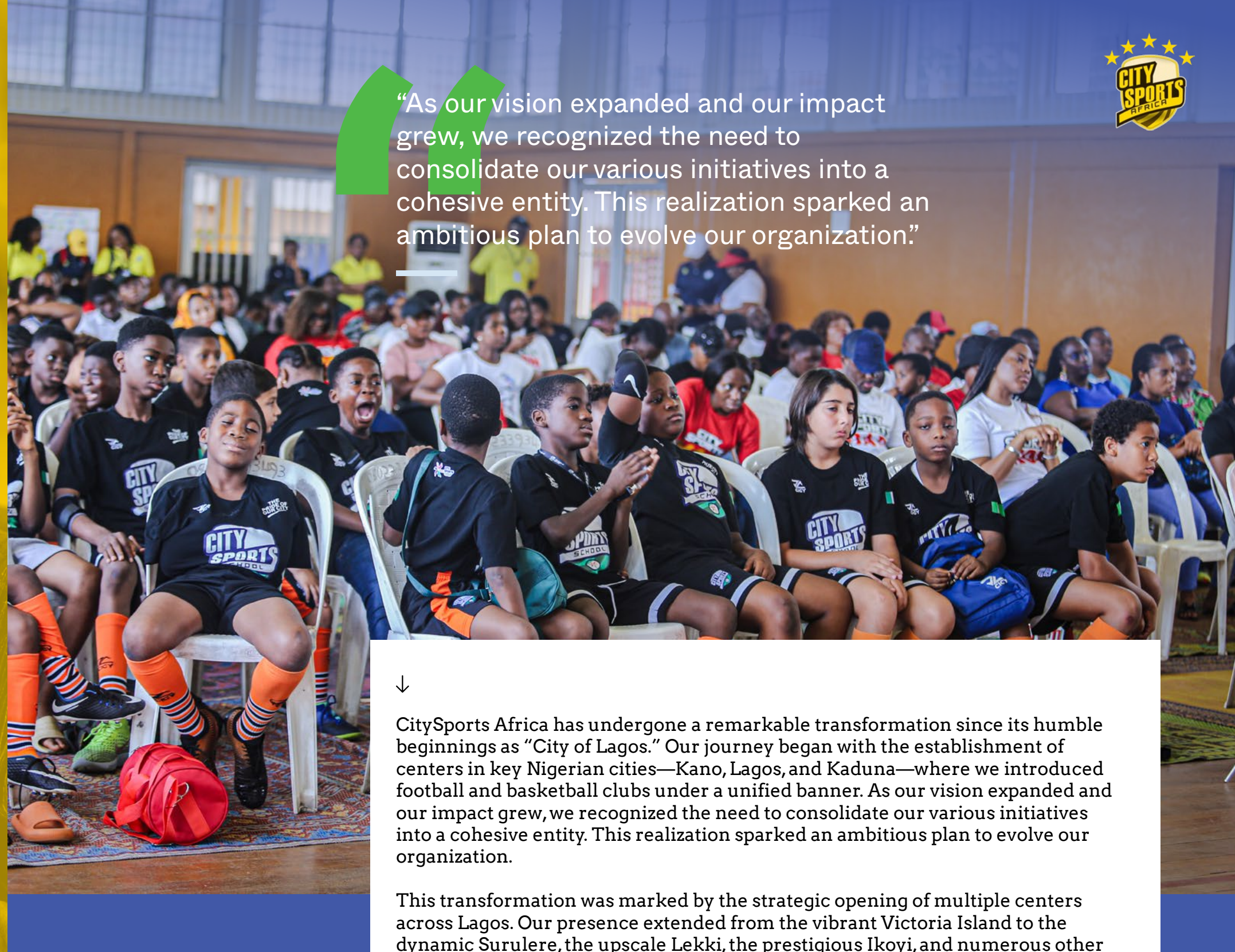






1.

A Legacy of Growth & Transformation



“As our vision expanded and our impact grew, we recognized the need to consolidate our various initiatives into a cohesive entity. This realization sparked an ambitious plan to evolve our organization.”



CitySports Africa has undergone a remarkable transformation since its humble beginnings as “City of Lagos.” Our journey began with the establishment of centers in key Nigerian cities—Kano, Lagos, and Kaduna—where we introduced football and basketball clubs under a unified banner. As our vision expanded and our impact grew, we recognized the need to consolidate our various initiatives into a cohesive entity. This realization sparked an ambitious plan to evolve our organization.

This transformation was marked by the strategic opening of multiple centers across Lagos. Our presence extended from the vibrant Victoria Island to the dynamic Surulere, the upscale Lekki, the prestigious Ikoyi, and numerous other locations throughout the city. Not content with dominating just one urban center, we also established a strong foothold in Abuja, Nigeria’s capital city.

This shift in our organizational structure and focus represented more than just a change in name or expansion of locations. It signified the dawn of a new era in our mission—a commitment to providing structured, accessible, and high-quality sports education for young athletes across Nigeria.



2.

Expanding Horizons with the Global Sports Program



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CitySports Africa’s horizons broadened further with the launch of our Global Sports Program, which aimed to give our athletes international exposure and competition experience. Our first international competition at the Iber Cup in Portugal in 2012 set the stage for a series of memorable journeys. Since then, we’ve taken teams to Manchester (2018), Burnley (2019), London (2022), the Netherlands (2022), Salou, Spain (where our U17 team triumphed), and Germany in 2023. In 2023, we expanded to include basketball, taking our team to Barcelona for the first time and achieving remarkable success with our U12 and U16 teams winning their categories. This year, we returned to Barcelona, reinforcing our winning legacy.



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3.

The CitySports League:

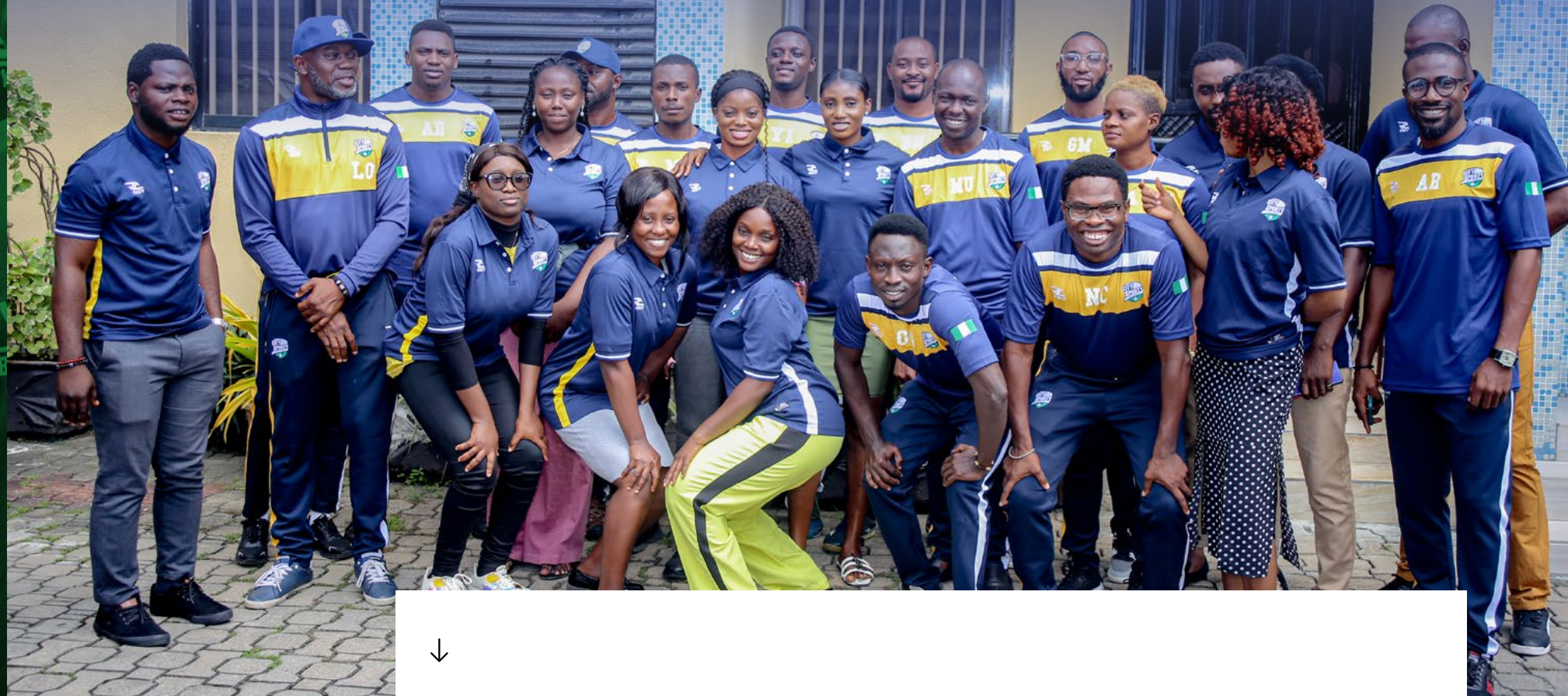
Nurturing Healthy Competition



In 2017, we proudly introduced the CitySports League, a groundbreaking initiative designed to provide students with a dedicated platform to nurture and enhance their athletic abilities. This innovative league offers a unique blend of supportive camaraderie and healthy competition, creating an ideal environment for young athletes to thrive. Since its inception, the CitySports League has played a pivotal role in shaping the character and skills of our participants. It has been instrumental in cultivating essential qualities such as discipline, fostering a strong sense of teamwork, and building resilience among our young sports enthusiasts.

These attributes not only contribute to their athletic prowess but also prepare them for the challenges they may face in various aspects of life. Through carefully structured programs and events, the league equips our athletes with the necessary tools and experiences to excel on both local and international stages, opening up a world of opportunities for their sporting careers.

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4.

A New Vision for Africa:

CitySports Africa



The year 2024 marked a significant milestone in our organization’s evolution. Driven by our expanded vision “to reach every African child in Africa and worldwide,” we transitioned from CitySports School to CitySports Africa.

This strategic rebranding reflects our dedication to establishing a comprehensive pan-African platform, aimed at unifying and nurturing young talents across the continent and beyond.

This transformation positions CitySports Africa as a beacon of hope and opportunity for African youth in sports. It represents our commitment to harnessing the power of sports as a tool for education, personal development, and social change. As we move forward, we envision creating a network that not only produces exceptional athletes but also empowers young Africans to become leaders and ambassadors for their communities and continent on the global stage.



5.

CitySports FC:

A Promising Start in Competitive Football



In April 2024, CitySports FC made its professional debut. Participating in the NLO group "Legacy Pitch 2," our team demonstrated exceptional skill and commitment, culminating in a first-place finish within the group. Despite a narrow defeat in the playoffs against First Bank FC, which prevented further advancement, this impressive inaugural performance has reinforced our determination to develop a high-caliber, competitive team.



6.

Academy Excellence: Residency & Performance Programs



In our ongoing commitment to comprehensive athletic development, we established the Residency Academy in 2023, followed by the Performance Academy in 2024. These academies are focused in football and basketball training, offering structured training curriculum & environments that integrate athletic skill enhancement with personal growth. Our academies are designed to provide a balanced approach, fostering both sporting excellence and individual development in our young athletes.



7.

A Spectrum of Programs for Every Talent

Throughout our development, CitySports Africa has expanded its offerings beyond core sports training & development to encompass a diverse range of inclusive and engaging programs. Our portfolio now includes the Sports Inclusion Program, catering to athletes with special needs, as well as seasonal camps during summer, Easter, and Christmas breaks. Additionally, we conduct Talent TryOuts and various other initiatives. These programs reflect our commitment to making sports accessible and enjoyable for individuals from all backgrounds and abilities.



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8.

Valued Partnerships Over the Years

The success of our journey has been significantly enhanced by the invaluable support of our esteemed partners. We have had the privilege of collaborating with renowned organizations, including the Bank of Industry, Eretim, Twisco, Coollink, and the Spanish and UAE consulates in Nigeria, among numerous others. Their continued support and partnership have been instrumental in advancing our mission, enabling us to bring the opportunity of quality sports education closer to African children across the continent and beyond.

2020 PHOTOS









2021 PHOTOS









2022 PHOTOS

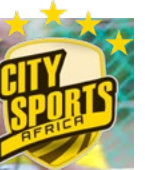








2023 PHOTOS











Sports We Offer

Our Basketball

Development Program



LEVEL	DETAILS	AGE BAND
Introduction	We teach the fundamental movement skills and look to build overall motor skills. The City Sports League competition is administered at this level We also introduce our students to team principles/concepts only.	4-7 Y/O
Foundation	Learn all fundamental and basic basketball-specific skills, establish building blocks for overall basketball skills	8-11 Y/O
Advanced	We focus on building the aerobic base, build strength towards the end of the level and further develop overall basketball skills. Build the "engine" and consolidate basketball skills. Our core values of Discipline, Integrity, Excellence, Teamwork, Perseverance and Courage are also taught to the students to help shape their progression into young adults, giving them skills that can be used throughout their lives and indeed become the pride of our city.	12-15 Y/O



Our Football

Development Program



Our Football Development program is designed for everyone between the age of 4 - 22 years. It is structured across different levels of development, from the Introduction to Foundation and to Pre-Academy, built on expertly designed curriculums, which take students on a journey, promoting passion and love for football as they grow and improve, with skills and positive experience

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Advanced	This program is for boys and girls between 11 and 16 years old. The City Swimmers Aquatic Skills Framework (Learn to Swim Stages 8-10) follows on from the City Swimmers Learn to Swim Framework [Stages 1-7]. It is targeted at swimmers who have achieved the fundamental movement skills, allowing them to be safe, competent and confident in the water, and are at a stage where they are ready to learn a more advanced range of skills.	11-16 Y/O



Our Swimming Development Program



The Swimming Development Curriculum consists of three levels of development that focus on Physical and Technical development: Active Start, Foundation and Advanced Levels. Each level takes the student through progressive development techniques based on their mastery of swimming skills as opposed to their age, grade in school or physical attributes. This mastery of skills approach allows the player to develop physical literacy, movement literacy, learn swimming vocabulary and acquire the Skill Development needed to optimize their swimming potential.

LEVEL	DETAILS	AGE BAND
Introduction	This program is for boys and girls between 0 and 6 years old. This is the first Stage of the Learn to Swim Programme. It promotes early water confidence and basic motor skills and underpins stages. It is linked to the early year's foundation stage for child development which coaches are encouraged to deliver in a fun, friendly environment.	4-7 Y/O
Foundation	This program is for boys and girls between 7 and 10 years old. This Learn to Swim Framework is about developing confident and competent swimmers through fun and enjoyment, with Stages 1-7 being at the core of the Programme. It is the most widely known Framework for swimming lessons for children at the stage. Each of the seven Stages of the Learn to Swim Framework have a clear set of targets for the swimmer to meet so that they can progress to the next Stage.	8-11 Y/O
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Our Tennis

Development Program



Our commitment to excellence is at the core of our Tennis Development program, with a dedicated team of experienced coaches who provide personalized guidance to every aspiring tennis player. Our state-of-the-art facilities, equipped with cutting-edge technology, offer the perfect environment for skill development and training. Moreover, our emphasis on holistic growth ensures that our student-athletes not only excel in tennis but also develop vital life skills, leadership qualities, and unwavering determination. With a history of producing top-tier tennis athletes and a vision for a future filled with champions, City Sports School remains the ultimate choice for those seeking the best in tennis development.

LEVEL	DETAILS	AGE BAND
Introduction	Our Tennis Program for this level is the perfect introduction to the world of tennis. It's here that young aspiring athletes take their first steps on the court, discovering the joy of the game in a fun and supportive environment. Through games and exercises, these budding tennis stars develop hand-eye coordination, balance, and a love for the sport.	4-7 Y/O
Foundation	Here, we focus on building a strong foundation of fundamental skills, honing techniques, and nurturing a deep understanding of the game. Our experienced coaches provide individualized attention, guiding young athletes as they progress in their tennis journey. With a curriculum that balances skill development, physical conditioning, and mental fortitude, our students are well-prepared to take on the challenges of the court. Beyond the technical aspects, we instill values of sportsmanship, teamwork, and discipline, creating not just skilled athletes but also responsible individuals. The Foundation Level is where the dream of becoming a tennis champion begins to take a structured and purposeful shape, laying the groundwork for a promising future in the sport..	8-11 Y/O





Global Sports Program



OUR Global

SPORTS PROGRAM



The 2023 yearbook chronicles the remarkable international achievements of City Sports School's athletes. Our commitment to excellence led us to prestigious sporting venues across Europe. In Germany and Salou, Spain, our football teams demonstrated exceptional skill and professionalism. Concurrently, our basketball players exhibited outstanding performance in Barcelona.

These international experiences not only enhanced our athletic programs but also fostered valuable lessons in cross-cultural understanding and

teamwork. The year 2023 exemplifies City Sports School's global reach and reaffirms our dedication to athletic excellence and international cooperation. This yearbook serves as a comprehensive record of our students' achievements and the school's expanding influence in the global sports arena.

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OUR Residency



Our coaching staff comprises experienced professionals, including former players and tactical specialists, who are dedicated to refining your skills, strategic understanding, and overall game awareness.



We are pleased to introduce our Residency Academy, an innovative program designed to develop and enhance the skills of exceptional football talents between the ages of 16 and 22. For those who are dedicated to the sport and aim to achieve the highest levels of football proficiency, this program offers an unparalleled opportunity. Our Residency Academy provides a structured and comprehensive training environment to maximize your potential.

to elite-level coaches, state-of-the-art facilities, and a curriculum that incorporates advanced sports science methodologies. This holistic approach facilitates significant development both on and off the field. Our coaching staff comprises experienced professionals, including former players and tactical specialists, who are dedicated to refining your skills, strategic understanding, and overall game awareness. Their guidance aims to cultivate well-rounded athletes capable of excelling in all aspects of football.

Participants will benefit from access

RESIDENCY	DETAILS
Full Residential	Embrace the complete sports and academic experience with our Full Residential category. Priced at this comprehensive package covers accommodation, world-class training facilities, meals, transportation, and expert coaching. It's the perfect choice for dedicated athletes who want to immerse themselves fully in their journey to excellence.
Half Board	Our Half Board category, offers an excellent balance between academic commitments and sports training. While it excludes accommodation, it includes access to top-notch training facilities, meals, transportation, and expert coaching. This option is ideal for athletes who have local accommodation arrangements but still wish to benefit from our exceptional training and mentorship.
Non-Residential	For those athletes who prefer to manage their accommodation, feeding, and transportation, this option provides access to our state-of-the-art facilities and expert coaching. It's the choice for athletes who are based locally and are looking to focus solely on their sports development while managing other aspects independently.





Performance Academy

Elevating the Future of
Football and Basketball



The CitySports Performance Academy offers an elite training environment for dedicated athletes aged 10 to 22, specialising in the development of exceptional talent in football and basketball. This comprehensive program is designed for individuals demonstrating both the aptitude

and dedication necessary to excel in competitive sports. Our primary objective is to equip participants with the skills, knowledge, and experience required for success at collegiate and professional levels, as well as in their broader athletic careers.



A Comprehensive Training Structure

The Performance Academy employs a comprehensive approach to athlete development, integrating advanced training methodologies with competitive experiences. Each participant benefits from personalized training regimens designed to enhance their physical conditioning, technical proficiency, mental fortitude, and tactical acumen. The academy's meticulously structured curriculum fosters the development of essential qualities such as discipline, collaborative skills, and strategic thinking, thereby establishing a robust foundation for success in both athletic pursuits and broader life endeavors.

Flexible Program Options

The Performance Academy provides flexible enrollment options to accommodate diverse athlete needs. Our residential program offers an immersive experience with comprehensive daily training regimens. Alternatively, the non-residential option allows participants to integrate academy training with their existing academic or personal commitments. Both pathways are designed to foster athletic excellence, equipping young talents with the necessary skills and insights to excel at advanced competitive levels.

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Awards Night, 2021



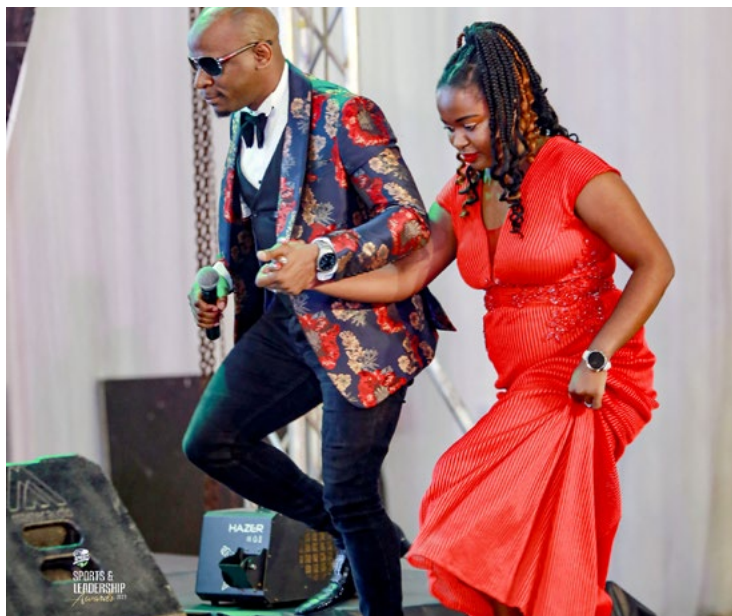


Awards Night, 2022



Awards Night, 2023











CitySports League (CSL)

The City Sports League

The league boasts participation from over 200 athletes, who compete at an exceptionally high level, showcasing their talents on a prominent stage.



The City Sports League is a distinguished in-house competition organized by City Sports School, encompassing approximately five different sports disciplines. These League Activities are conducted across six centers in Lagos, providing a comprehensive platform for athletic development.

The league attracts talented youth aged 4-19, spanning various development levels (U-7, U-9, U-11, U-15). These young athletes engage in spirited competition among themselves, with the league also accommodating a select number of external participants (adopted teams) to further enhance the competitive landscape.

Over the past six years, the City Sports League has consistently demonstrated growth and improvement, solidifying its position as one of the most competitive

leagues in the country. Each subsequent edition has built upon the success of its predecessors, raising the bar for youth sports competition.

Inaugurated in 2017, the City Sports League now features approximately 13 distinct events, each running for a duration of 4 to 8 weeks. The league boasts participation from over 200 athletes, who compete at an exceptionally high level, showcasing their talents on a prominent stage. This platform not only fosters athletic excellence but also provides these young competitors with valuable exposure to the broader sports community.





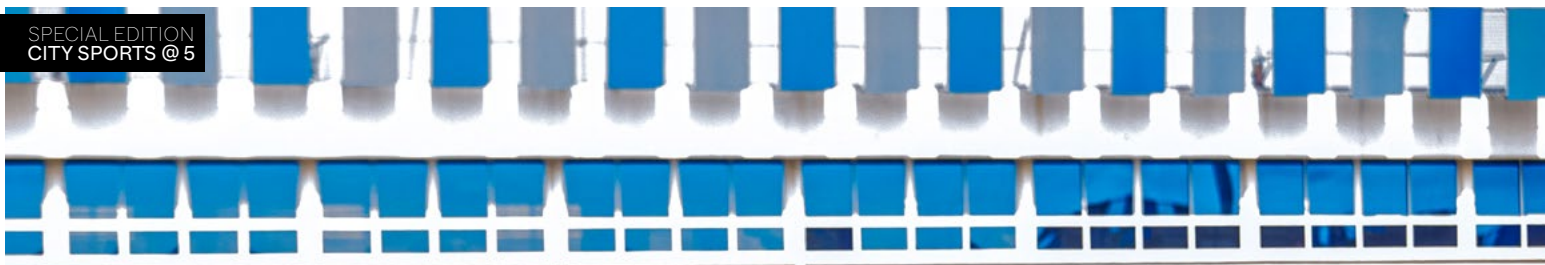
CitySports Club

CitySports Club: A Thriving Community for Young Athletes



Introducing CitySports Club, our exclusive members-only platform designed for young athletes and sports enthusiasts.





A THRIVING COMMUNITY FOR YOUNG ATHLETES

Welcome to CitySports Club, our premier membership platform tailored for aspiring athletes and sports enthusiasts. Established with the ambitious objective of nurturing a vibrant and inclusive community while celebrating the myriad facets of athletic pursuits, CitySports Club goes far beyond the conventional boundaries of a typical sports club. It stands as a dynamic and thriving ecosystem, carefully designed to foster growth, camaraderie, and excellence in sports.

At the heart of CitySports Club lies a shared enthusiasm for football, serving as a powerful catalyst that brings together a diverse array of individuals. From die-hard fans and ambitious players to experienced coaches and dedicated supporters, our club creates a unique melting pot of perspectives, experiences, and backgrounds. All of these contributes to a stimulating environment where ideas are exchanged in the City Sports Club, skills are honed, and lasting friendships are forged.

Our club also serves as a nexus where the passion for sports, particularly football, transcends age, skill

level, and cultural boundaries. It provides a platform for budding talents to showcase their abilities, for coaches to impart their wisdom, for fans to fuel their enthusiasm, and for supporters to play an integral role in the club's journey. Through a variety of engaging activities, events, and programs, CitySports Club aims to cultivate not just athletic capacity, but also important life skills such as teamwork, leadership, and perseverance.



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[2024] In April 2024, CitySports FC made its official debut on the football stage



A CLUB WHERE EVERYONE BELONGS

At CitySports FC, we prioritize inclusivity and diversity, extending a warm welcome to all individuals who share an enthusiasm for football. Our club's success and spirit are cultivated through the collective efforts of dedicated players, supportive spectators, and committed coaching staff. CitySports FC serves as a unifying platform where the passion for football fosters community and camaraderie.

We invite you to join us as we embark on the next phase of our journey this season. Through collaborative effort, we aim to elevate our performance, intensify our commitment, and strengthen our collective resolve.

OUR JOURNEY BEGINS

In April 2024, CitySports FC made its official debut in the competitive football arena, assembling a roster of promising young athletes and experienced coaches dedicated to excellence. During their inaugural season, CitySports FC demonstrated exceptional performance by securing the top position in their group at Legacy Pitch 2, exhibiting both resilience and tactical prowess as they advanced to the playoffs. Despite a narrow defeat in a closely contested match against First Bank FC, which prevented further advancement, this impressive initial showing has laid a solid foundation for enhanced performance in the forthcoming season.



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Global Footprints

Countries We Traveled For Global Sports
Program

Portugal, 2012



Portugal, 2012







Manchester City, 2018



Manchester, 2018





MANCHESTER CITY



Kolade.

Burnley, 2019



Burnley, 2019



London, 2022



London, 2022



Amsterdam 2022



Netherlands, 2022



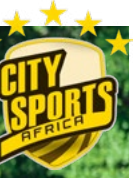
Germany, 2023



Germany, 2023







Barcelona, Spain 2023



Barcelona, 2023







Barcelona, Spain 2024



Barcelona, 2024









CitySports Foundation

Empowering Lives Through Sport & Community



Our Key Projects



Train the Trainer

The sports landscape is ever-evolving, and it's essential for coaches and trainers to stay updated. Our Train the Trainer program organizes workshops, seminars, and training sessions led by licensed professionals who build capacity in both experienced coaches and aspiring trainers. This initiative ensures that every coach is equipped to mentor effectively, fostering a sustainable environment for future sports talent.



League of Champions

Our League of Champions program leverages sports as a tool to foster leadership and essential life skills. Targeting young people aged 15-25, this initiative uses mini-league competitions, such as 5-a-side matches, alongside leadership talks, lectures, and conferences. These events instill values such as Dedication, Leadership, Excellence, and Integrity, equipping participants with the tools to become responsible leaders within their communities. With regular evaluations, we ensure that each session brings meaningful outcomes and continuously refine our approach to maximize impact.



Community Outreach

Through our Community Outreach programs, we engage youth across various regions by offering free, comprehensive sessions that combine sports activities with classroom instruction. These outreach initiatives promote sports as a means of both development and recreation. In collaboration with local schools, our certified coaches work to establish vibrant sports programs, creating equal opportunities for sports inclusion and development.



Be a Partner

CitySports Foundation's reach extends to over 45,000 people across Nigeria through projects in Sports, Health, Education, and Social Inclusion. We invite corporations and organizations to join us in making a tangible difference. Whether aligning with a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) agenda, nurturing employee development, or simply giving back, we have programs that can help meet these goals while making a positive impact in the communities we serve.



CitySports Foundation (CSF), the official philanthropic arm of City Sports Group, is dedicated to harnessing the transformative potential of sports. Our mission is to catalyze positive change in the lives of disadvantaged youth and communities throughout Nigeria, Africa, and Big cities globally. The foundation's efforts are concentrated on six key areas: Sport, Education, Leadership, Mentorship, Social Inclusion, and Community Facilities. We are committed to the belief that sports can serve as a powerful vehicle for change, paving the way for a more promising future for both individuals and communities.

As a registered foundation, CitySports Foundation is committed to community upliftment through three primary objectives:

1

Strategic Partnerships

We collaborate with diverse stakeholders to develop and implement high-impact community initiatives and programs.

2

Measurable Impact

Our efforts are centered on promoting sports inclusivity, fostering leadership skills, and facilitating personal development.

CORE VALUES:

Discipline, Integrity, Excellence, Teamwork, Perseverance, Leadership, and Courage are the foundation of all our efforts.

DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

Celebrating Our Pillars of Support



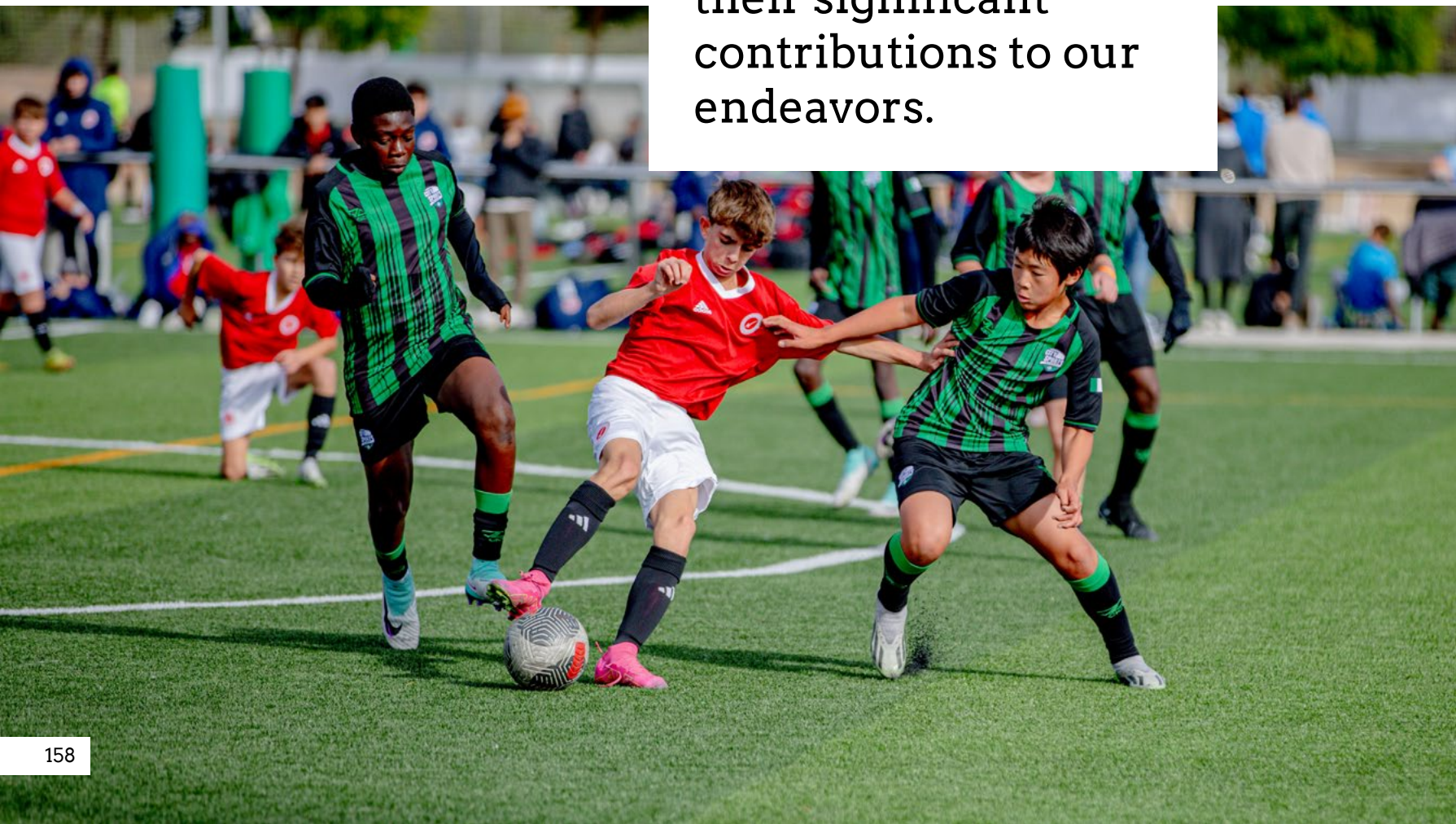
CitySports Africa has been very fortunate to have established valuable partnerships with organizations that share our dedication to youth empowerment and community development through sports. These partnerships have been crucial in advancing our mission to reach children across Africa and beyond. We extend our sincere appreciation to each partner for their significant contributions to our endeavors.

Our relationship with the Spanish Consulate has been characterized by mutual respect and support. Following our success at the Salou Cup in 2023, we paid special courtesy visit to the consulate, underscoring our shared

commitment to sportsmanship and cultural exchange.

Through strategic alliances with the Bank of Industry, Coolink, and Eretim, we have broadened the scope of our programs, encompassing sports inclusion initiatives and community outreach. Each partnership enhances our capacity to deliver meaningful experiences and essential resources to young athletes throughout Nigeria and beyond.

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We extend our sincere appreciation to H.E Abdulla Al Mandoos for his warm reception and shared vision of a more promising future for Nigerian youth.



We are pleased to announce a significant development following a productive meeting between our CEO, Mr. Shola Opaleye, and the UAE Consul General, H.E Abdulla Al Mandoos. This collaboration represents a key milestone in our organization's growth as CitySports Africa prepares to establish a presence in Dubai. During their discussion, Mr. Opaleye and H.E. Al Mandoos explored innovative approaches to enhance the sports industry in Nigeria and create new

opportunities for young African athletes on an international scale.

We extend our sincere appreciation to H.E Abdulla Al Mandoos for his warm reception and shared vision of a more promising future for Nigerian youth. Through this partnership, we are dedicated to fostering opportunities for young talents to excel and achieve their aspirations, thereby inspiring the next generation through the transformative power of sports.



We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Spanish Embassy in Nigeria for their invaluable partnership, which has facilitated meaningful cross-cultural exchange and promoted athletic development, as exemplified through significant events such as the Surf Cup Football Tournament.



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Looking Ahead

The Future of
CitySports Africa



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CitySports Africa is embarking on an ambitious journey to revolutionize sports and youth development across the continent. Our bold vision aims to positively impact the lives of one million African children annually over the next decade. To realize this dream, we are expanding our reach with the establishment of our inaugural international center in Dubai, demonstrating our commitment to elevating African sports on the global stage.

Looking ahead, our aspirations transcend conventional sports development. We are focused on cultivating global partnerships that enhance opportunities for young athletes, nurture emerging talent,

and provide equitable access to sports training and mentorship. CitySports Africa is committed to instilling the values of resilience, teamwork, and excellence in the next generation, ensuring each young individual we reach is equipped with the necessary tools for success in both athletic and personal pursuits.

This international expansion represents a significant milestone, creating new avenues for African youth to engage, develop, and compete at a global level. As we embark on this journey, we remain dedicated to innovation, legacy-building, and shaping the future landscape of sports across Africa and beyond.



CitySports Africa & Schools in Action

Transforming Lives Through Sports



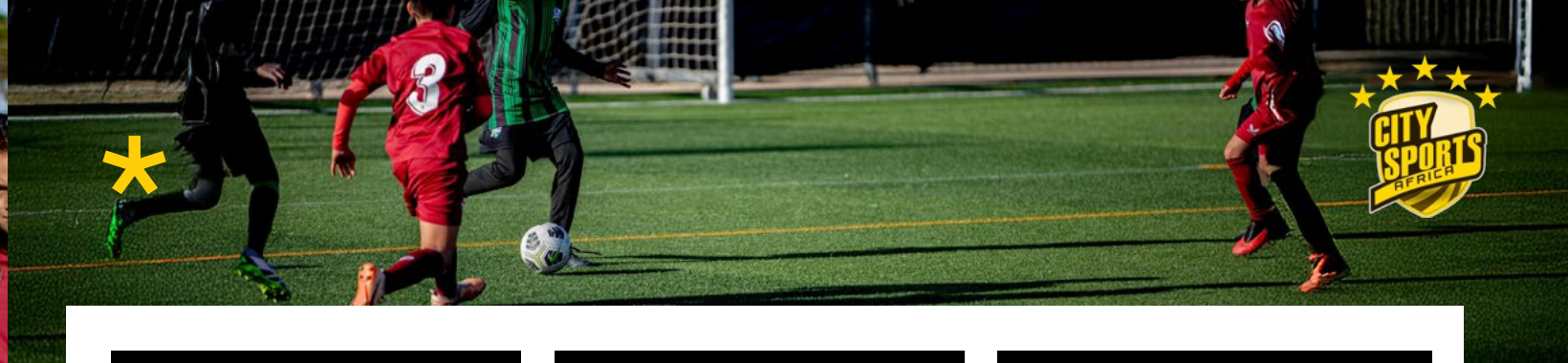
CitySports Africa has established strategic partnerships with leading educational institutions that align with our commitment to youth development through sports. These collaborations have facilitated comprehensive athletic programs, professional coaching, and competitive opportunities for thousands of young participants.

Our distinguished academic partners from the past five years include Corona Primary School, Methodist Boys High School, Holden Park School, Supreme Group of Schools, The Learning Place, among others. Through these partnerships, we have successfully implemented comprehensive sports initiatives that enhance student development, promote collaborative excellence, and cultivate individual potential across diverse communities.



Moving forward, we remain dedicated to nurturing the next generation of athletes while establishing a foundation of athletic excellence, personal resilience, and leadership development throughout educational institutions in Nigeria and beyond.





Success Stories

Alumni Achievements

CitySports Africa takes immense pride in the distinguished accomplishments of our alumni, whose commitment to athletic excellence has yielded notable achievements in their athletic and professional endeavors. Over the past five years, our graduates have not only attained their aspirations but have also emerged as exemplary ambassadors of our mission and values, serving as influential role models for emerging athletes.



Pro Contracts

We are proud that numerous alumni have secured professional contracts with distinguished football clubs, both domestically and internationally. These talents, who developed their foundations with us, now showcase their skills on a global stage, embodying the principles and professional standards cultivated during their time at CitySports.

Sports Scholarships

Our alumni have consistently demonstrated academic excellence by securing prestigious scholarships at leading universities worldwide. These accomplished individuals exemplify the successful integration of athletic prowess and academic rigor, demonstrating exceptional proficiency in managing their educational pursuits alongside their sporting endeavors.

National Representation

We take great pride in witnessing our CitySports alumni represent Nigeria and other African nations on their respective national teams. Their progression from our training facilities to international stadia demonstrates the effectiveness of our programs and exemplifies their exceptional dedication and perseverance. These successful talents continue to serve as distinguished role models for current academy participants.

These achievements exemplify CitySports Africa's dedication to nurturing athletic excellence and creating clear pathways for professional development. The accomplishments of our alumni demonstrate that with proper guidance, resources, and determination, athletic aspirations can be transformed into tangible achievements. We take pride in these success stories and remain committed to fostering the next generation of exceptional athletes.



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