

NEW YORK AKISAN IN PARTNERSHIP TALKS TO SUPPORT BASIC SERVICES IN NIGERIA

Ms. Uduak Umoh, an accredited non-governmental organization (NGO) representative to the just concluded 59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women at United Nations Headquarters in New York, has expressed her happiness over the reception accorded her on her visit to New York by the New York Chapter of Akwa Ibom State Association of Nigeria USA (AKISAN).

Ms. Umoh made her views known at the March 21, 2015 bi-monthly meeting of the New York Chapter of AKISAN, where she was warmly received by the Chapter President, Architect Eno Udo, officials, and members.

In his response, Architect Udo welcomed Ms. Umoh on behalf of the chapter, and entertained a motion for the chapter to provide financial support for the development programs of Ms. Umoh's NGO.

A member of the 10- man delegation from Nigeria at the UN Women Conference, Ms. Umoh is the Director of Women and Community Livelihood Foundation (WOCLIF), a registered community-based NGO in Akwa Ibom State of Nigeria.

According to WOCLIF's website, the NGO was started in 2007, and is registered with the state Ministry of Women Affairs and the Corporate Affairs Commission of Nigeria to, among others, promote access to good health and empower youth and women through capacity building, education, health care, and collaboration.

AKISAN New York, among others, provides financial support for youth and women related development programs in Akwa Ibom State. Working with partners in Nigeria, AKISAN New York has over the years provided support to various charities, among them the Children's Home in Abak and QIC Leprosy Hospital at Ekpene Obom in Etinan LGA of Akwa Ibom State.

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