

APPENDIX 1



UMUABALI CITIZENS EMPOWERMENT FORUM



LOUIS & SCHOLAR NWOKE FOUNDATION, INC
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ANNOUNCEMENT

VISION 2025: UMUABALI ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT INITIATIVE

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LOUIS AND SCHOLAR NWOKE FOUNDATION INC

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UMUABALI CITIZENS EMPOWERMENT FORUM (UCEF)

UCEF is pleased to announce this initiative by **LOUIS AND SCHOLAR NWOKE FOUNDATION INC** that underscores our joint unwavering commitment to fostering economic growth, self-reliance, and hope for the citizens of Umuabali and thereby laying the foundation for a stronger and more resilient community.

FUND TYPE: Grant

PURPOSE: To empower individuals with the vision, determination, and capability to establish and grow sustainable businesses.

GOAL: To spark a ripple effect of prosperity, strengthening the Umuabali community for generations to come.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY:

1. Applicants must be **citizens of Umuabali and reside within the community**.
2. Existing business owners who demonstrate proven ability to manage funds effectively.
3. New entrepreneurs with a detailed business plan outlining their vision, objectives, and steps to success.
4. **Open to all genders**, with no preference for specific Onu Ama or hamlet

HOW TO APPLY:

1. Applicants are to complete the **GRANT APPLICATION FORM (SBAP-2025)**
2. Application forms can be downloaded from the **UCEF website www.abalicitiforum.org** or picked up from the **UCEF Office at the Umuabali Civic Centre or the Chairman, Umuabali Development Association**
3. All completed forms must be accompanied by a Business Profile (for Existing businesses) or a Business Plan (for new businesses)
4. All completed forms are to be returned through the **UCEF Office, Umuabali Civic Centre BEFORE OR BY MONDAY, 10TH MARCH 2025**

Beneficiaries are expected to:

1. Use the funds exclusively for their proposed business or trade.
2. Exhibit transparency and accountability in managing the funds.
3. Contribute back to the community as their businesses grow.
4. Serve as role models and ambassadors for positive change within Umuabali.