

The first time I heard of the organisation 18twenty8 was in 2019 when my sister encouraged me to join them on a camp that was organised by 18twenty8. The camp was organised by 18twenty8 to empower young women through both educational and personal development skills. I was indeed empowered during and after the camp and I am truly grateful that the organisation offered us with such an opportunity. 18twenty8 came to my rescue again this year (2021). At the beginning of the year as I was pursuing my BA honours in Sociology I did not have funding and I had already given up on receiving one for my studies. However, my sister advised me to apply for funding offered by 18twenty8 in March and I sent through my application. During June holidays while I was home I received a message from 18twenty8 that I will be one of the students who will be funded by the organisation. This moment will forever be one of my favourite moments because I knew that I am given an opportunity to focus on my studies and not stress about funding. 18twenty8 made it easy for me to pass my BA Hons in Sociology with cum laude because they carried the financial weight for me to fully focus on my studies. I will definitely contribute to the academia and research world with my qualification and through my research skills, I will be the voice for those who are voiceless. As a researcher, I look forward to bringing societal change through research.

I would like to thank 18twenty8 for believing in me and allowing to me show what I am capable of as far as my academics are concerned.