

MBU LIBRARY NIGERIA

ADDRESS

Mbu,
Enugu State,
Nigeria

CLOSEST BIGGEST TOWN:

Enugu

HOW TO GET THERE

From Lagos: Mbu is located approximately 600 km east of Lagos, in Isi-Uzo L.G.A. of Enugu State.

LOCAL BOOKFEEDER

Main contact in Kaguugo Village:

Brendan Ugwu
Principal of the Community Secondary School Mbu

LANGUAGES

English, Ibo

VOLUNTEERS

Not accepting volunteers at the moment.



THE LIBRARY

Mbu has one secondary school that was built by the government in the 1980s with a non-functional library comprising of outdated books.

This has now changed though due to a fortunate turn of events when one of our co-founders met Chijioke Alaku on a plane to Scotland and told her the story of his homeschool and the kids there.

Chijioke helped us with finding a location for the new library whilst we were gathering donations for it. Not long after that with the help of Chijioke's cousin, who lives not far from the Mbu community, we managed to reconstruct an old school building to host the library. A few months later a container filled with much needed books arrived, thanks to our friends from *Books Abroad*, and since there were enough books for two schools, the communities decided to share and distribute the extra material to two high schools about 100 km apart.

THE COMMUNITY

Mbu is a town made up of four main communities namely Amon, Akpoti, Akpoga-Mbu, Agudene-Mbu. People are notable for travelling in pursuit of business and other career opportunities. Furthermore, many people have been displaced due to conflict.

No access to books means less opportunities so we decided to build a library so the community can study and read up-to-date books in a safe and welcoming environment.

