## **Vocational Training Center**

STEP organizations empower individuals to become self-sufficient and contribute to their families and communities. The vocational training center offers 4.5-month courses in Computer Skills, Mobile Phone Repair, Solar Power System Repair, and Tailoring. Graduates receive certificates and tool kits to help start their own businesses. Since 2022, about 230+ male and female students have completed the training, gaining valuable skills for sustainable livelihoods and community impact. Many of them are running their own business.

## 1st Round

Project Code	Project Name	Donor	Start Date	End Date		
VTC-001	Vocational Training Center in Kabul	STEP	March 01, 2022	Jun 15, 2022		
Budget	Actual	Direct Beneficiaries	Indirect Beneficiaries	Duration		
\$13,500	\$13,500	70	500+	4.5 Months		
Proficiencies	Computer Skills     Repair Mobile Phones	3. Solar Power System Repair 4. Tailoring				
Main Goal	Empower individuals for self-sufficiency and contribute to their families and communities.					
Summary	STEP surveyed the most affected and needy families. Both male and female, selected individuals were enrolled in six-month training programs designed to equip them with practical skills and theoretical knowledge. After graduation, they were provided with toolkits (except for students in computer skills classes) and relevant course completion certifications from the appropriate ministry, enabling them to start their own businesses and support themselves and their families.					



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Round

Project Code	Project Name	Donor	Start Date	End Date		
VTC-002	Vocational Training Center in Kabul	STEP	Feb 01, 2023	Feb 29, 2024		
Budget	Actual	Direct Beneficiaries	Indirect Beneficiaries	Duration		
\$35,000	\$35,000	160	1,000+	13 Months		
Proficiencies	<ol> <li>Computer Skills</li> <li>Repair Mobile Phones</li> <li>Solar Power System Repair</li> <li>Men Tailoring</li> </ol>					
Main Goal	Help individuals become <b>self-sufficient</b> and support their families and communities.					
Summary	The second round of courses was limited to male trainees due to a temporary government ban on women's education and work. Students attended 4-hour daily training sessions, earning certificates recognized by the relevant ministry and STEP. Toolkits in three skill areas were provided to help graduates start their businesses. However, Computer Learning graduates did not receive any computers.					

