



Street Children Ministries
Transforming lives of the vulnerable children and communities.

VOCATIONAL SKILL TRAINING (VST): EQUIPPING FOR DIGNITY & INDEPENDENCE

ANNUAL IMPACT NARRATIVE | 2024-2025

In 2024-2025, our **Vocational Skill Training (VST) program** became a critical bridge from vulnerability to self-sufficiency for marginalized boys, disadvantaged youth and single mothers in our community. Many of these young people, especially those formerly living on the streets, have been locked out of formal education and employment opportunities due to poverty, trauma, and lack of access. Through VST, we provide a second chance, not just to learn, but to grow and be successful.

BUILDING FUTURES THROUGH SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Our vocational program is designed with **flexibility, relevance, and hope** at its core. From hands-on technical skills to small business training, VST helps vulnerable groups discover their potential and earn a sustainable living.

Key Training Areas:

- Tailoring & Garment Design
- Carpentry & Woodwork
- Basic entrepreneurship & financial training

This past year, **31 youth** enrolled in the VST program. Some were once living on the streets, battling addiction, rejection, and hopelessness. Through mentorship, discipleship, and skill-building, they've begun walking new paths toward independence and restored identity.

Transformation in Action: G. John's story

G. John, 20, joined the VST program after being rescued from a life on the streets where he survived through odd jobs and slept in abandoned buildings. He enrolled in our **carpentry workshop**, where he quickly stood out for his focus and talent. Today, G. John not only builds high-quality furniture but also mentors new trainees.

"When I build something useful with my hands, I feel like I've built something inside myself too." – **G. John**, VST Graduate

He recently earned a weekly income, contributes to his household, and even saved toward opening his own small workshop. G. John's journey reminded us of God's grace in our lives.



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2024–2025 HIGHLIGHTS

- **31** Total number of young men and women enrolled
- **5** Formerly homeless boys graduated
- **26** Community members supported
- **80%** Reported improved economic stability
- **5** Small startups launched by graduates
- **2** Alumni trained and deployed

BEYOND SKILLS: A HOLISTIC APPROACH

VST is about more than technical training. It includes:

- Life skills & personal development
- Faith-based mentorship
- Workplace readiness & job matching
- Mental health & counseling support
- Trauma healing sessions.

Looking Ahead

In the next phase of our program, we aim to:

- Expand training spaces and tools
- Launch a micro-grant fund for startup kits
- Form new business partnerships for apprenticeships
- Strengthen post-training follow-up and alumni support

CLOSING THOUGHT

Vocational training gives our boys and the community a trade, a voice, and a reason to dream again. With your continued support, we'll keep opening doors for vulnerable youth; one tool, one trade, and one transformed life at a time. Thank you very much for your continued support. We are grateful for you.