



Bissau Campus  
Welding Student

# RUKAS

“Thank you for the opportunity to attend this school. It gives young people the chance to learn something they can do to provide for themselves.”

Bissau Campus  
Computer Literacy Student

# AZIZA

“I am studying to be a doctor. I want to be a doctor who knows technology very well so that whenever I need to research something, I can.”



Gabu Campus  
French Language Student

# JUSTINO

“I chose this school because it not only teaches French, but also the Word of God.”



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# 2023 Year in Review >>

Last year, the 28-acre WAVS campus in the capital, Bissau, completed its first full year. Your support helped train more than 200 students, just in year one! And we expect that number to grow every year.

But even as we scale up, we're also deepening our impact. Last year, we provided graduates with tool kits so they can put their new skills to use right away. We began exploring new ways to prepare students for the world of work by helping them acquire basic math skills. We gathered survey data throughout the year to measure the impact before, during and after students completed their courses. And we trained teachers to lead in-depth devotionals in class to help their students learn about God's love and His plan for their lives.

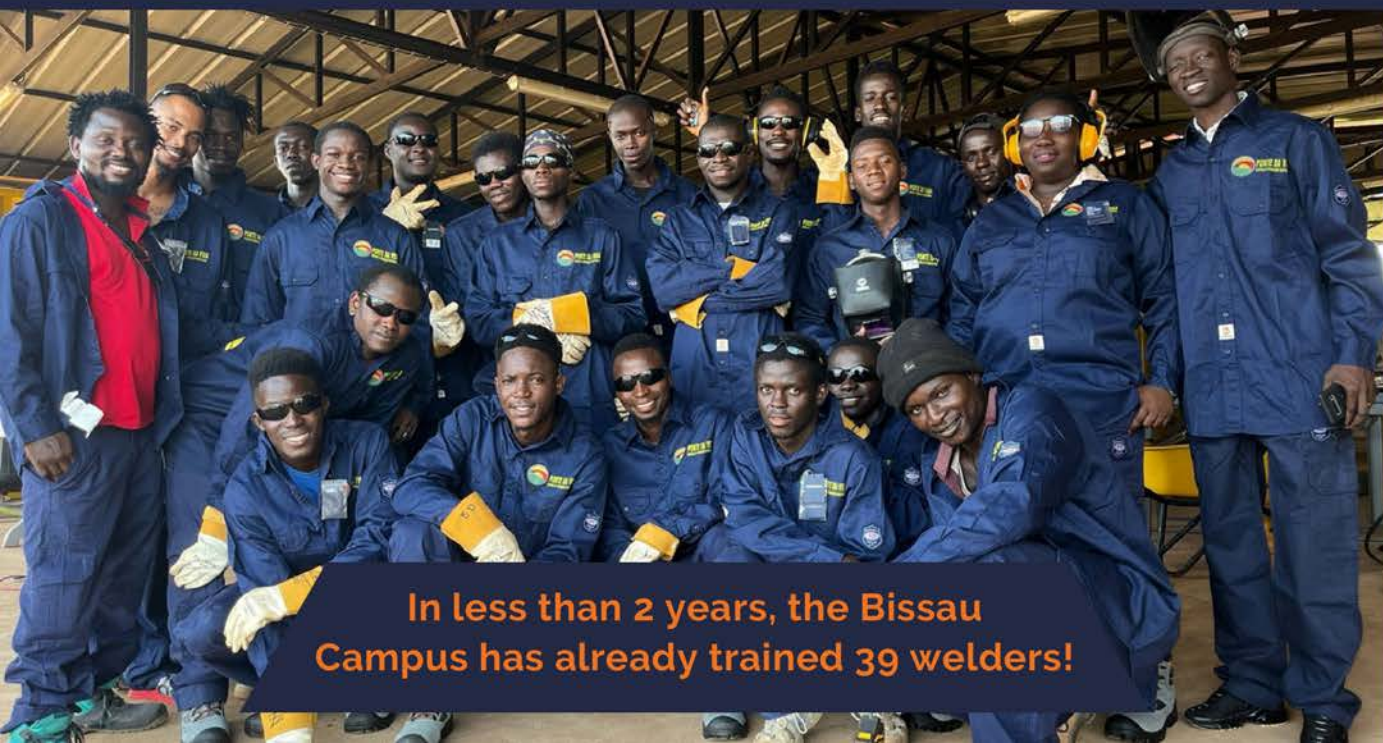
Thanks to your generosity, we're getting closer to reaching a significant milestone: The day when we'll be able to train 1% of every 20-to-30-year old in Guinea-Bissau – every single year! Over a decade, that means 1 out of every 10 young adults in the country will learn a new job skill that helps them work for a brighter future. We can only imagine the impact this will have on the country as a whole. Thank you for joining us on this journey!



Chris Collins  
WAVS Executive Director



Welding students (above) will soon have a new workshop! Construction on the 16,000-square-foot Training Center (seen below) began in January 2024.



**In less than 2 years, the Bissau Campus has already trained 39 welders!**

## 2023 Income & Expenses

### Income

Individuals	\$428,739
Churches, Businesses & Community Groups	\$174,526
Investment Accounts Gain/Loss & Other	\$110,777
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$714,042</b>

### Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$381,979
Cash Grants for WAVS Schools & Partners	\$194,602
Equipment & Supplies for WAVS Schools	\$31,437
Guinea-Bissau Operations	\$23,884
Office Rent, Supplies & Accounting	\$41,269
Travel & Airfare	\$35,521
Fundraiser Events & Donor Updates	\$27,183
Other Expenses	\$20,616
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$756,491</b>

**Note:** The above figures are based on our preliminary financial statement, which may vary slightly from the final statement.

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Learn how **One Student** members are helping equip young men and women with life-changing job skills, one student at a time. (If you're already a member, thank you!)

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