

THE NEW TRAINING CENTER IS OPEN!



2025 ANNUAL REPORT



Thanks to your support, WAVS completed construction on a new 16,000-square-foot training facility in September at its flagship campus in the capital of Guinea-Bissau. Its opening marks the start of a new chapter for hundreds of young men and women in Guinea-Bissau who are seeking the opportunity to work for a brighter future.

The new building includes classrooms, teachers' offices, men's and women's bathrooms, and four large workshops – all outfitted with the machines, equipment and tools to train up to 200 students each year. With this new space available, WAVS was able to double the number of welding students it accepted in the fall (including two women). The training center is also home to a new carpentry training program launched last year.

Thank you for your investment in the future leaders of Guinea-Bissau!



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"I know education will help me build a better future and I will be able to support my parents and family."

Mariama
WAVS English Language student



2025 Year in Review >>

Friends,

We're working in one of the most difficult and unpredictable parts of the world.

Recently, a group of military leaders in Guinea-Bissau overthrew the government – one day before the results of a presidential election were supposed to be announced in November. This has hugely disrupted everyday life for our staff and students. And it's made our job of running vocational training programs much more challenging.

But we're convinced God has called us to keep going. And because of His faithfulness and your support, we can.

In fact, in spite of the challenges, your generosity helped more people in 2025 than any other time in our history. In the last year, WAVS has doubled the number of students it serves, with more than 500 students expected to enroll this school year (see chart).

These are students like Luizinho (see photo), who would wake up at 5 a.m. every morning to travel three hours on public transportation to the WAVS vocational school so he could learn to weld.

"I have a dream to do great things," Luizinho said. "But I know I have to work hard."

With your support in 2025, WAVS also opened a new training facility (see front side), launched a new carpentry training program, and initiated weekly chapel sessions where students worship God and learn from His Word.

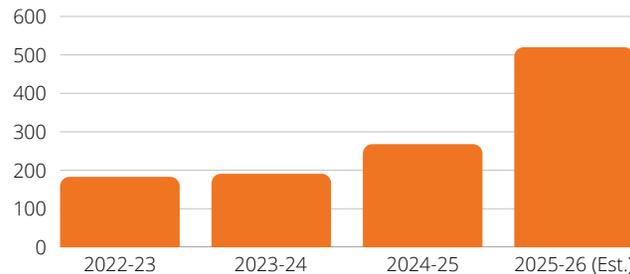
We're excited about what's to come in 2026. And we ask for your prayers as we faithfully step forward into this year. May it be one we can celebrate as we work together to equip young men and women with life-changing job skills while sharing the Good News of Jesus.

Chris Collins
WAVS Executive Director



WAVS welding student Luizinho examines a security bar panel that he and his fellow students produced.

Students Enrolled by Year



Top: WAVS students show off a completed project.
Bottom: The French embassy commissioned WAVS students to produce reading desks for the library at its cultural center. Several other organizations have hired WAVS to produce similar products.

2025 Income & Expenses

Income

Individuals	\$393,867
Churches, Businesses & Community Groups	\$252,319
Grants	\$68,509
Investments & Other	\$89,800
Total Income	\$804,495

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$320,025
Cash Grants for WAVS Schools	\$161,620
Equipment & Supplies for WAVS Schools	\$25,401
Guinea-Bissau Operations	\$18,164
Office Rent, Supplies & Accounting	\$39,777
Travel & Airfare	\$24,619
Fundraiser Events & Donor Updates	\$39,777
Other Expenses	\$35,085
Total Expenses	\$664,468

Capital Investments (New Construction) \$321,256

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



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Watch how Adji learned the basic computer skills she needed to study at medical school and prepare herself for a brighter future.

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