

TFSR21

This Tools For Self Reliance project is based in Zambia and is supported by Reading Quaker meeting

This project is being delivered locally by Kabushi Entrepreneurship and Vocational Training Centre. It will train 70 people in either carpentry, building, metal fabrication, or tailoring and support them to set up their own businesses. The carpentry and building trainees will build 20 latrines, and handwashing facilities that will benefit 5,835 pupils at a local school.

The 70 trainees have been learning to use their tools safely and starting to make a variety of products, following the government accredited syllabus. They are also taking part in business skills sessions, covering marketing, costing and pricing products, and keeping customer records. Life skills sessions - HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment and managing emotions - will also continue throughout the training.

They will all go on three-month work placements with local established enterprises. Each enterprise/business will have at least one master craftsman who help trainees learn about running a business in the working world of their trade. Towards the end of the project, trainees will have the opportunity to sit their trade examinations, which will help them attract more lucrative work and contracts.

