

UPDATE: HOPE *worldwide* AFGHANISTAN

Brief History

HOPE *worldwide* Afghanistan was established in 2001 by Dr Mark Timlin and his wife Vicki. In 2005, with their second child on the way the Timlins moved to Melbourne Australia. Since then, a number of HOPE staff from different countries have continued the work, and currently, Valli Jain from India heads up HOPE *worldwide* Afghanistan.

In 2012, with worsening security the expatriate HOPE staff were evacuated and programs scaled down to a single program: a community centre.

In August 2021, the community centre was closed due to war and political unrest.

In March 2022, HOPE *worldwide* Afghanistan resumed its work after receiving permission from the new government to re-open the community centre.



English Class at the HOPE Community Centre in Afghanistan

Current Programs

The HOPE Community Centre currently has 130 students learning English and Computers. In addition to the education program, HOPE *worldwide* Afghanistan has a winterisation program which supports the community during the harsh winter months by providing clothes, blankets, food and firewood.



HOPE worldwide's winterisation program provides clothes, blankets, food and firewood

Planned Programs

The community centre is planning to expand its courses to include tailoring and business. This will empower women to start their own home businesses and take families out of poverty.



In Afghanistan, girls are not allowed to attend school after grade six.

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A \$10 donation provides a warm blanket for a child in winter in Afghanistan