



My name is Nisreen Khalid Dawood born in 1986 from Telesquf village. After I got married, I moved to Baghdad with my husband. We were living in an apartment in Dorrah Quarter. My husband had an alcoholic beverages shop under the apartment. We had two sons the older is at grade 2 and the younger is at K2. We had a wonderful life but one day we received a threat letter from some terrorist demanding a large amount of money from us to keep our business. After two months of paying that amount, I was at the apartment and

my husband went down to open the shop and after 10 minutes, I heard a gun shots and this was some thing very normal in our daily life but this time it was very close to our place.



I opened the door without thinking of my children and went down to see my husband he was there lying on his back and bleeding. I cried but there was no answer, then he opened his eyes and said his last words “save yourself and the kids” and then died. Many people gathered there and helped me



to carry him and put him in a coffin. Then, I took my kids immediately and took a taxi and went directly to Telesquf and arranged a funeral for him. At

the present time, I and my kids, live with my parents and have no financial resource.



When I heard about Etana Organization and their free training courses, I participated in the sewing and haircut courses. Currently, I have a small beauty shop but it is just a table with some make up and a chair. Some relatives borrowed me a sewing machine until I collect some money and have my own one.

I would like to thank Etana Organization who provided me a job by which I can support my children. My shop is a small room used as a store by my parents and I can not move to another place because I do not have enough resources to pay a rent.



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