



Molding Minds

Budget Report

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Project Goal

To establish a fully equipped pottery, ceramics, and sculpture studio at the Vanadzor Stepan Aghajanyan School of Fine Arts — providing students with hands-on training in traditional Armenian crafts for the first time in the city.

Project Background

The Stepan Aghajanyan School of Fine Arts is a community-run, non-governmental institution in Vanadzor, Armenia. Today, approximately 160 students study here, receiving artistic education that plays a central role in the creative life of the city — encompassing visual arts, cultural education, and the development of children's imagination and aesthetic sensibility.

Despite this strong foundation, there is currently no place in Vanadzor where children can receive formal instruction in pottery, ceramics, or sculpture. These crafts — rooted in Armenian applied art traditions — are simply unavailable to young people in the community.

The school plans to create a dedicated studio to fill this gap. Students will go through every stage of the creative process — from raw clay preparation to throwing on a potter's wheel to firing finished works in a kiln. The studio will be equipped with professional work tables and chairs, clay processing tools, storage cabinetry, a potter's wheel, and kilns for firing. Appropriate infrastructure, including three-phase electricity and water supply, will also be installed to ensure the classroom operates safely and effectively.



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Item	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
Damagostar Electric Kiln	1	\$2,411	\$2,411
Ventilation System (Fan) for Kiln	1	\$411	\$411
Refractory Shelves for Kiln	2	\$142	\$285
Electric Pottery Wheel	1	\$384	\$384
Work Tables with Water-Resistant Surface	3	\$123	\$370
Glazing Table	1	\$151	\$151
Cabinets with Closed Doors	3	\$411	\$1,233
Open Shelving Cabinet for Displaying Works	1	\$315	\$315
Metal Shelving Units / Racks	3	\$60	\$181
Sink Cabinet	2	\$82	\$164
Chairs with Water-Resistant Surface	20	\$47	\$932
Standard Chairs	2	\$49	\$98
Storage Cabinets / Pedestals	10	\$27	\$274
Modeling Boards (Sheets)	2	\$49	\$99
Rotating Platforms / Banding Wheels	15	\$55	\$822
Kiln Refractory Supports / Large and Small	6	\$5	\$33

Total

Exchange rate: 1 USD = 365 AMD

\$8,163