Women's Rights Center Established



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Iraqi women practice their computer skills at the Fatima Al-Zahra Center for Women's Rights in Hilla, one hour south of Baghdad.

The Hilla women's center was named by the community after Fatima Al-Zahra, the daughter of the Prophet Mohammed. The center is open to all and offers nutrition and health classes, internet/computer training, and sewing facilities. The center will generate income through sewing production, a planned food catering business, and an internet cafe.

The Coalition Provisional Authority and USAID worked with women from across the Babil Province to establish the center which is the first of five such centers to open in the south-central region of Iraq

