

## **ABSTRACT**

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*The problem underlying the establishment of the Creative Center for People with Disabilities at Daarut Tauhiid Peduli Bandung City relates to the challenges faced by people with disabilities in accessing equal employment opportunities and social life. Many individuals with mental or physical limitations feel disadvantaged and pessimistic in facing life. The purpose of this study is to determine the stages of empowerment of disability groups through the Difabel Creative Center program at Daarut Tauhiid Peduli Bandung City. This research uses a qualitative method with a descriptive approach and data collection techniques through observation, in-depth interviews, and documentation. The results showed that the empowerment of disability groups through the Difabel Creative Center (DCC) program at Daarut Tauhiid Peduli Bandung City was carried out using an open survey method to identify needs, socio-economic analysis, resource prioritization, program innovation, implementation, and periodic evaluation. The program successfully improved participants' skills in various creative fields. In addition, the program also contributed to the mental and spiritual development of the participants, as seen from increased self-confidence and active participation in social activities. Employment opportunities for the participants also increased, with some participants successfully securing jobs or starting independent businesses. It is concluded that the stages and results of empowerment carried out through various creative activities and social support at the Creative Center for People with Disabilities Daarut Tauhiid Peduli Bandung City are proven to be able to improve the quality of life of participants.*

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