

# WIRE & METAL CRAFT



Wire and metal crafting is made by artisans at Johra & Bohra Handicrafts. These artisans create all of their products using metal wire and metal pieces. Our popular wrapped wire snowmen, birds, and angels are made by these artisans!

We talked with artisan and owner of J&B Handicrafts, Khalil Ahmed, who said that he started this business out of necessity 8 years ago. He and his 3 brothers faced hardship after their farm was not able to support their children's education and necessities for their families. After learning about fair trade, they partnered with a NGO to start the business and have been able to receive steady work ever since. The NGO continues to ensure they are paid fairly and work in safe conditions. Khalil now employs 10 people and runs his own workshop!

The process of making wrapped wire products begins with a metal form that the artisans solder together. After the form's design is approved, the artisans begin wrapping the wire around the form to create the shape and final product. Products can be dipped in any color to create vibrant pieces of decor!

