



## Bicycles for students

The problem of not having sufficient funds to buy their children bicycle to go to school is a parent's concern up till now in Central Kalimantan. There are lots of students which have to walk kilo meters to go to their school (some of them have to walk almost ten kilos everyday). The weather sometime is very hot or even raining. When the rain season comes, the road will become muddy, and it will be difficult to walk in.

One day, a couple from Hawaii name Bill Evslyn and his wife Micky came visit Kalimantan to see the social projects. They met with Mohammad Hafid, IRDN project coordinator in Palangka Raya. Mohammad Hafid guided them to look around and saw IRDN social projects. They were touched by a few students who really needed bicycles and generously donated some amount to buy children bicycles. After selections they are 12 (twelve) students who deserve to be helped. ***List of the beneficiaries attached.***

The donation was sent via Susila Dharma Indonesia account, equaling to US\$1000 or Rp. 9.375.035,- (*Nine million three hundred seventy five and thirty five rupiah*). The fund has been used to purchase twelve new bicycles.



Pic 1 : IRDN Project coordinator M. Hafid, giving speech to the students before they receive the bicycles.

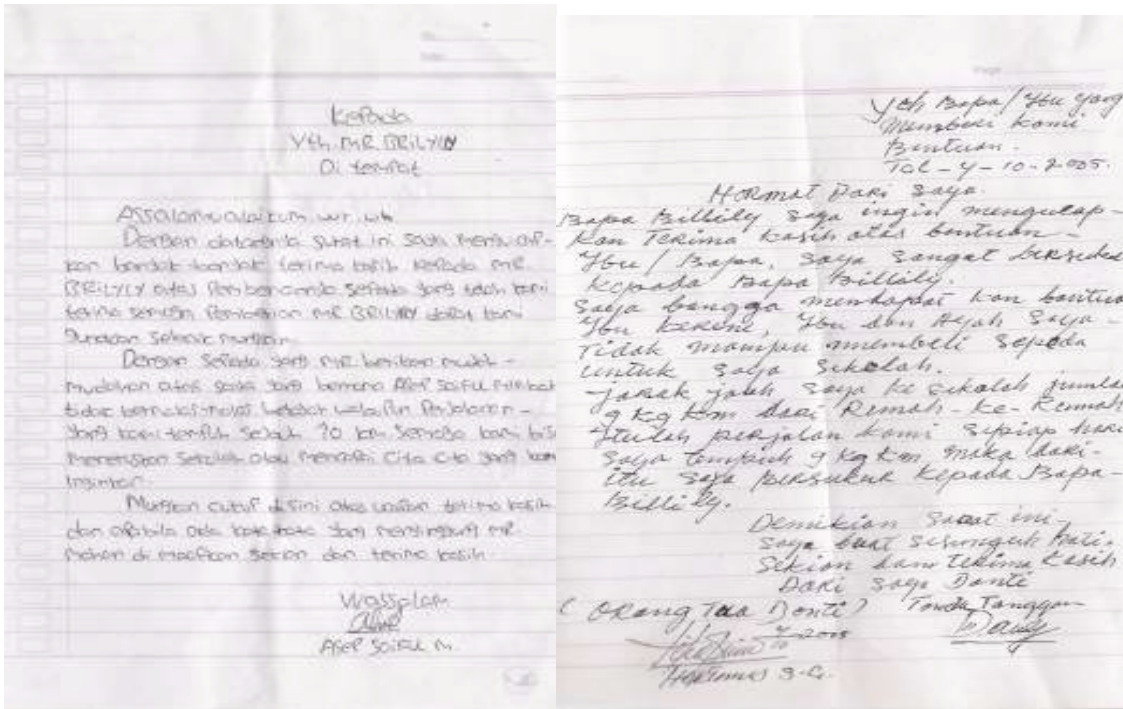


Pic 1 : IRDN Project Coordinator Muhammad Hafidz (Center) and Mrs. Gaye Thavisin from KMC (right) confer a new bicycle to a student of SMP 5, Kecamatan Bukit Batu, witnessed by teachers.



Pic 1: Mohammad Hafid with few students who received bicycle donation.

From the letter below they tried to express their thankfulness for the bicycle they got. They are so glad to receive it, because after they got the bicycle, it can shorten their time when they have to go to school.



Pic 1 : Some thanks letter which was written by the students.

Now, the words have spread and one of the schools which one of its students has received the bicycle, is asking for more help for another 15 (fifteen) pupils! IRDN is just reporting to you, in case there is other Bill Evsln who is moved to help.....!

Finally, on behalf of IRDN, we would like to express our sincere thankfulness and appreciation for all your help and support to our social/humanitarian activities.

IRDN Office  
Melani