



Indonesia Relief & Development Network

Jaringan Bantuan & Pengembangan Indonesia

A division of YUM for Community Development and Health Programs

In 1998 the economic crisis caused additional hardship for the poor in Indonesia, and a group of concerned professionals started a project under the auspices of Susila Dharma Indonesia to help alleviate the suffering. In 2001, IRDN was formally registered as a foundation under the name Yayasan Jaringan Bantuan & Pengembangan Indonesia (JBPI); in English: Indonesia Relief and Development Network (IRDN). In 2006, due to changing regulations for charitable foundations, and for greater cost efficiency, IRDN merged with, and became a division of, the Foundation for Noble Work (YUM). IRDN has projects in the province of Central Kalimantan.

Mission: to achieve affordable and sustainable community health through community involvement and ownership; to integrate Community Health and Nutrition Development Programs with maximum use of local human and material resources; and, to provide vital support so they can become sustainable.



Malaria Control

Established: 2005
Central Kalimantan

Prevention & treatment of malaria

In 2000, almost 1,800 families from four dense villages of the Bukit Batu area contracted endemic malaria. Unfortunately, the existing government anti-malaria program requires villagers to come to their clinic for help which is inconvenient and often not possible.

This project focuses on: Medical teams going to the villagers at their homes to provide treatment; Community empowerment; Promotion, prevention and proper use of impregnated bed netting; and, An educational campaign on environment sanitation and how to prevent mosquitoes from breeding.



Women-to-Women Micro-credit

Established: 2002
Central Kalimantan

Providing microcredit & practical financial advice

Women-to-Women (WTW) is a micro-credit scheme intended to support women who manage small-scale entrepreneurial activities such as home farming and mini-shops. The WTW program includes training on small-scale home industry management, savings, and health related community aspects. It presently involves 92 women of various ethnic groups (Dayak, Javanese, Sundanese) in both rural and urban areas of Central Kalimantan.



Children's Libraries

Established: 2006
Central Kalimantan, Aceh, & West Java

Providing access to books & educational materials

Libraries are not common in Indonesia, particularly in the remote areas. This project provides an introduction to the concept of libraries as well as the benefits of reading - for enjoyment as well as education. Reading materials include school text books (as students cannot always afford these), educational materials, magazines, and children's books for amusement and pleasure.



Clean Water

First implemented: 2000
Central Kalimantan

Providing 'community-management-based' clean water supply

This project is not a continuous, ongoing project but one that is implemented in different locations by community request and collaborative participation of PT Rungan Sari Permai, IRDN, and the community involved.

A clean water supply is essential to the good health of a community, reducing the occurrence of skin diseases and diarrhea outbreaks. Clean water is achieved through the construction of water towers, educating residents on personal and environmental hygiene, and encouraging community leaders to support, promote, and maintain further development of clean water policies and lifestyles.

How you can help

Child Sponsorships & Scholarships:

Contact Ala Sulistyono for details on how you can sponsor a child at the Children's Village, the Learning Centre project, and in the government schools. Email: ala@yum-irdn.org

Donations:

Funds may be sent directly to YUM via bank transfer (for contact details, see below) or through the Susila Dharma International Association (SDIA):

<https://secure1.uniserve.com/wd-susiladharmagiving-yum.html>

SDIA accepts credit card payments as well as bank transfers, and US & Canadian tax receipts are available upon request.

Volunteer:

Contact Olvia Reksodipoetro on how you can volunteer your time, energy, and talent to these projects.

Email: olvia@yum-irdn.org

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Foundation for Noble Work

Yayasan Usaha Mulia

The Foundation for Noble Work - Yayasan Usaha Mulia ("YUM") was established by a group of Indonesians and expats in 1975 to aid the poor and destitute in Indonesia. YUM is a registered charity in the Republic of Indonesia, and is also an associate member of Susila Dharma International, which has consultative status with the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF).

Vision: to improve the quality of life of the poor.

Mission: to engage in community development activities and to establish and manage educational facilities, vocational training and health services, and to care for the elderly, in cooperation with other social organizations and individuals.

YUM manages projects in the provinces of West Java and Aceh. In addition, the foundation IRDN (Indonesia Relief & Development Network) has merged with YUM, and brings its successful projects in Central Kalimantan.



Children's Village

Established: 1976
Cipanas, West Java

Caring for orphans & destitute children

In 2006, our 30th year was celebrated with a "Best Orphanage of the Year" Award presented by the Regency of Cianjur, and nominated for a 5-year provincial award for West Java. The site of the Children's Village was originally established in 1976 as a Rehabilitation Centre for TB patients and their families. Children were sometimes orphaned as a result of their parents' TB affliction, and the children had nowhere else to go. They were invited to remain at the clinic and be cared for. When the operations of this TB centre stopped, it was changed into a full-time orphanage to provide for the needs of these 'abandoned' children.

The Children's Village is located about 100 kms (63 miles) from Jakarta, in the hills of Cipanas. It is a home for children aged 6 - 18, and can currently accommodate 50 children. The children are either orphans, from broken homes and very poor homes, or from troubled families who cannot support their children emotionally or financially. A Child Sponsorship Program for these children is available.



Aceh Community Center

Established: 2005
Banda Aceh, Aceh

Helping tsunami victims rebuild lives

The Aceh Community Center (YUM ACC) is a true collaborative effort: Monetary support is provided by the Japan National Council of Social Welfare (JNCSW) and, in its implementation, YUM collaborates with HIMPSI NAD (Aceh Chapter of the Association of Indonesian Psychologists), SEFA (Save Emergency for Aceh), HIMPSI Jaya, YAPPUAN, Yayasan Pulih, various women's associations, and other local NGOs. Its activities started in November 2005 in Banda Aceh with the aim to assist members of the local community to rebuild their lives after the 2004 tsunami. YUM ACC will establish a legacy for children with special needs.

Sponsored by:



**Japan National Council
of Social Welfare**



The Learning Centre

Established: 1982
Cipulir & Pondok Aren, Jakarta

Educational opportunities for street children

In 1982, a project called "Market Boys" was established to rescue children from begging on the streets and to teach them simple skills by which they could do something useful to earn money. This project eventually expanded to two 'Prep Schools', and has now evolved into "The Learning Centre Project" in the slum areas of Cipulir and Pondok Aren.

Programs offered at the Learning Centre are birth registration facilitation, human-centered daycare and preschool programs, sponsorships for children enrolled in Government schools, vocational scholarships with internships to develop their talent and become employable, and vocational training for family members and the community.

Child Sponsorship and Scholarship Programs for these children are available.

Looking ahead:

Community Support

**In planning stage for the Bukit Batu area,
Central Kalimantan**

An approach to coordinate and expand our existing social programs in Central Kalimantan in cooperation with local authorities, including the goals of establishing a community center with improved library facilities, educational support for the surrounding villages, a malaria control post, a TB post, a medical clinic, vocational training facilities, microcredit expansion, organic gardening, clean water program expansion, and community waste disposal management.

Social mapping of the area begins January 2007 to assess the needs of the community, to be followed by development of fundraising strategies, feasibility studies, etc.

Senior's Village

In planning stage for Cipanas, West Java

Currently underway is the assessment for the need of a retirement village, envisaged to be adjacent to the Children's Village orphanage project, creating a mutually supportive environment for both the young and the old.