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overview

We welcomed two new team members this month - Santi and Wela, our Public Health Promotion Officers. We are pleased to have team on our team to expand the reach of our work in educating communities about practical ways they can improve hygiene and their living environments. Selamat datang, Wela and Santi!



program updates

Many Benefits of Re-greening

"If there are trees around the house we were not worried about our well will run dry in the dry season next year," explains Bapak Warta from Teluk Gong. To increase infiltration of rainwater (help in part to decrease flooding and recharge groundwater) planting has been a project focus with our team and community members. In this photo you can see a family in Bintaro Baru planting a tree near their well.



Collaborating with Local Clinics to Promote Safe Drinking Water

This picture shows one of our Cadres in Bintaro Baru promoting point-of-use water treatment together with a regular local clinic event. Our Clean Water Program has been collaborating with the local clinic to disseminate safe drinking water practices. *"Yeah I need to try Air RahMat, can save the cost of drinking water for my family,"* said Ibu Rosi Hartini the local clinic cadre.



Cilincing Keeping Green & Clean

Here you can see one of the neighborhood group Green & Clean Competition winners in Cilincing. *"It is beautiful clean and more comfortable to live now,"* tells Ibu Rani. It has taken time though habits are forming slowly but surely with improved care of the neighborhood and living environment.



forecast

Global Hand Washing with Soap Day is in October, and we will be celebrating with Teluk Gong community this year. This event will also mark the opening for our Community Center there. In addition to preparations for that, our new Public Health Promotion Officers PHP will be collecting data for the new children's classes and discussions with Cadres to create a class schedule. Our Clean Water Program Officer will continue construction of the rainwater collection system in Bintaro Baru, while also continuing to monitor drinking water quality in Bintaro Baru and in Teluk Gong. Our Solid Waste Management Program plans to complete Anti-Littering Projects in Pulo Kandang and Teluk Gong next month, while our Improved Sanitation Program plans renovation a toilet in Teluk Gong and train on potential consequences of open defecation.

supporters & volunteers

Our big thanks to **SIKA** (<u>www.sika.com</u>) for supporting this community service work and making people's lives better through your generousity and good will. We would like to also thank the **American Women's Association** for the hygiene supplies donationed (delivery shown in this photo). Another big thanks to **Weatherford** for their donation towards the work we do! If you would also like to contribute to help people in need of improving water and sanitation conditions, please visit our website at

