

SALAM Childrens Home Needs List June 2006

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- *We have an urgent need for extra funds for the new school year – an estimated \$6000 AUD for: building fees, uniforms (4 different types per child!), text and exercise books, shoes and socks*
- Need for 6-8 electric wall fans for the children's dorms before the next hot season (new approx 400,000rp each)
- Cheaper model digital camera for SCH to keep sponsors updated
- Sports shoes – a local soccer coach is willing to teach as some of our boys show real promise, but they do not own suitable shoes (new approx 200,000rp per pair)
- PC/ PCs suitable for children to learn computer skills on, preferably with USB
- Specific supplies needed
Compasses
Craft glue: local “fox” or “castol” brand and PVA type glues
Scissors
Scientific calculators (with sin, cos, tan functions)
Indonesian/English and English/Indonesian dictionaries
Toiletries eg toothpaste, shampoo, soap, washing powder – small packets ideal
Exercise books
- Other equipment needed - second hand or new:
Any Household Furniture!! - single beds and mattresses, chairs, tables, bookshelves, cupboards, chests, wall mirrors...
Youths' sports shoes are an ongoing need; most economical to buy new in Bali
Office Furniture - lockable storage cupboards, a filing cabinet,
Good quality social games, preferably not language oriented eg: Jengga, Mikado/ Pick-up-sticks, Uno, Goblet, etc...
Reading material - primarily Indonesian novels and educational
- Handy Bulk items from outside Indonesia:
First Aid/ infirmary supplies esp sterile saline, antiseptic lotions and sprays
Multi vitamins
Oats/ oatmeal, raisins/ sultanas
Cotton underwear
Quality crayons and pastels
Durable second hand clothes
Sheets/ bedding for single beds

...Please be aware that most new items (especially shoes, clothing, toiletries) are very easily and often more cheaply purchased within Bali

- Cupboards - ALL BOYS CUPBOARDS HAVE BEEN REPLACED THANKS TO BRUCE STEENSON FROM DIRECT AID!
Another 12-14 need replacing. Total cost per cupboard approx Rp 625,000
14 cupboards x 625,000 = Rp 8,750,000/ \$1250AUD

- The children have no real outdoor play/ recreation area. Phase 1 of constructing a useable space:
 1. Leveling area approx Rp 5,000,000/ \$780AUD
 2. Retaining wall approx Rp 3,000,000/ \$470AUD
 3. Drainage pipes approx Rp 4,000,000/ \$625AUD

Funds have been promised for this initial stage and continue to be collected by long time supporter Desmond James of “Sourcing Bali” who has volunteered to oversee the construction of this area. There are plans for a multi-purpose playing court. See www.sourcing-bali.com/caring if you can help.

FOOD SITUATION: *Many thanks to all those who have donated towards improving this! The children are now enjoying a much more nutritionally balanced diet.*

Visitors are warmly welcomed to SCH. Please phone ahead on **0361 810086**. With regards to food donations please avoid highly processed foods such as instant noodles and snacks. Bulk non perishable food items are more beneficial to SCH. Eg: milk powder, dried red kidney beans, black beans, green beans (kacang hijau), lentils, oats, peanuts, rice (including black and red rice), multivitamins, also worm tablets (combantrin). We work on the basis of providing enough food for 60 people ie 3kg rice.

We still need to raise more funds.

Currently the local government assistance for this Children’s Home comes only in the form of money for part of the food required (less than half). SALAM has to source the shortfall for this, plus funds for every other running cost, including staff wages. Ideally sponsorship would come in the form of a monthly commitment. If you or anyone you know can be of any assistance please contact us on 0361 741 6649, or alternatively email: info@salambali.com (SCH account details can be provided upon request).

At present we have 34 commitments of 200,000 Rp/month (approx AUD\$30 or USD\$20/month) to cover running costs including food. We require another 16 monthly commitments.

***** We are not only interested in money!*****

Any skill that can be taught is invaluable. We want to supplement the kids' formal education with creative sessions eg craft, cooking, sewing, etc particularly with a focus on empowering them to initiate their own small business ventures. Ideas are very warmly welcomed. Local volunteers or those coming through from overseas are much appreciated.

Warm regards,

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for SCH Steering Committee.

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