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VTT Indonesia: Empowering girls and women, improving value-added processing for food preservation and marketing GG2234348



District 5170 Rotary Clubs invite you to make a difference empowering girls and women, by improving value-added processing for food preservation and marketing practices in rural Indonesia.



PDG Richard Flanders, Area 4 clubs, led by Pleasanton North, and the Rotary Club Cilacap, with help from PDG Eva Kurniaty of RC Jakarta Sunter Centenial, are assembling a team of experts to develop recommendations and travel to Indonesia.



Background Previously, Rotary Club Cilacap, with help from PDG Eva Kurniaty, other Rotary International Clubs and Rotary Global Grants completed four projects in a number of villages—reclaiming ~ 2,000 hectares (almost 5000 acres) of water-logged rice fields. Now, the abundant sediment from the Cimenang River is channeled into the low-lying fields via a system of dikes, water gates, culverts, and canals, producing bumper crops of paddy rice and a variety of other crops in the dry season.



To build on this success, our Indonesian partners have invited us to come and share experience, knowledge, skills and expertise to better understand improved value-added processing for food preservation and marketing. We are planning to provide training and establish a pilot demonstration and ongoing training site to address improved value-added processing for food preservation and marketing—with an intentional ongoing educational training program to integrate girls and women into vocations in improved community agriculture to improve nutrition, health, and livelihoods.



We are seeking expertise in **dehydration, pasteurization, canning**, as well as DDF or cash donations.

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