

COMMUNITY INITIATIVE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

THE PROBLEM

Whilst Borneo's urban centres continue to modernise, rural villages are often left behind. Their residents have limited access to income generation opportunities, at times leading them to grow cash-crops such as rubber and palm which have a detrimental impact on the environment. Cultural heritage also diminishes in an ever modernising society.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Your initiative contributes to SDG 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities by working towards the following indicator of success:

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



"By 2030, ensure access for all to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services and upgrade slums"

THE PURPOSE

The organisation with whom you will be collaborating focus their support on a specific region of Borneo. Their primary purpose is to empower the local people with opportunities to generate sustainable livelihoods which are not damaging to the environment and ensure that the infrastructure is sufficient to support this. Tourism is the main alternative income generation method for local people, who are trained in the necessary skills to welcome visitors, introducing them to their cultures and traditions, serving as a means to maintain this heritage as well. The infrastructure development completed so far has included renovating the community centre and installing a playground.

YOUR ROLE

You're supporting the community simply by visiting and participating in the cultural activities. During your visit you'll lend a hand to the local team with ongoing infrastructure development tasks to boost the local tourism industry. Immerse yourself in community life and challenge the community to a sports match or simply spend some time chatting with them about their culture and your own.

