# **Progress Report**



# **Maximising Transformational Impact**

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**Economic Empowerment** 

Total Budget \$26,000

**Project Timeline** 

FULLY FUNDED

**JUL 20** 

**JUN 22** 

## **Overview**

Our partners have established a small consultancy office in Soe, West Timor, to provide consultancy services free of charge to local organisations seeking to bring about transformational change in the area. Soe is the capital of South Central Timor Regency, a region marked by significant, and worsening, poverty and disadvantage, chronic malnutrition and lack of education and healthcare services. These consultancy services focus on developing organisational capacity in the areas of management, administration finance, HR and community development. Their services are client/community-focused, taking an invitational and participatory approach to ensure community ownership, with an emphasis on long-term sustainability and development that maximises use of local resources.

# Impact for July 2020 - June 2021



# Completed office set-up with equipment

and supplies, including computers, cables, office desks and chairs, filing cabinets, cupboards, stationery, kitchen utensils and various consumables.

# Strategic planning and budget training

to build capacity with local clients has occurred through group workshops and individual consultations. Budget training covers specialised areas such as staff wages, life insurance, superannuation as well as operational expenses.





#### **Fund-raising capacity development**

A number of clients have received assistance with sourcing funds and grants for projects ranging from construction of a boarding facility for the marginalised, teacher wages, school IT equipment, school dormitories and a medical clinic.

#### Reporting and accountability training

Several organisations have participated in training intensives in the basics of project evaluation and reporting - including financial reporting - to donors



- Legal/admin assistance was given for land purchase for a school
- Helped with video production/training materials for farming guides and small business courses
- · Coordinated training of trainers in women's health



# Fonny's Story

With more spare time during the pandemic, many people have turned to growing crops and are eager to learn effective farming practices through the Foundations of Farming training program being facilitated by our partners. Fonny (above left), a mentor with one client group tells how, after completing the course, she added mulch around her banana plants to improve water efficiency, especially during the long dry season. The banana suckers are now thriving compared to those using the traditional method of clearing and burning the land. Fonny is now training other locals and sharing her success story.

