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Profile

It has been commonly believed that reading interest is very low in Indonesia. Is that so? Perhaps not. Perhaps the answer lies in the prohibitive prices of books and the lack of alternative access to books such as through public libraries. These are the major reasons that 1001buku was established.

WHO WE ARE

1001buku is an organization of volunteers who are committed to bringing more books to children who otherwise have very limited access to quality reading materials. Our objective is to provide more books, quality reading materials, and creative toys for children, through non-profit, community-run children's libraries. We specifically aim at assisting children due to their vulnerability and because a reading habit is best cultivated during one's formative years. 1001buku volunteers come from different backgrounds, united by the same burning desire to volunteer their time, energy, and various talents to support children's libraries and reading corners all across Indonesia.

WHAT WE DO

These are some of the main activities of 1001buku:

- **Book Collecting**



We are trying to collect more reading materials through our various programs: [1] **Jemput Bola**: pick up service at public's residence or office; [2] **Sapu Jagad**: book collecting campaign at residences; [3] **Book-a-thon**: book collecting campaign at public places; and [4] **Book Drop Box**: boxes which are strategically located receptacles in Jakarta, West Java, Central Java, East Java, Jogjakarta

North Sumatra and North Sulawesi (coming soon in other provinces). The purpose of these activities is so that you, a supporter of this initiative, can have easy access to donate children's books, magazines, and other reading materials-new or used-to children's libraries. We also welcome toys that nurture children's creativity. Every book collecting activity is managed by one or more volunteers, who work or live in the area, where the activity is located.

- **Book Sorting, Distribution and Packing**

In the last week of every month, 1001buku volunteers get together to record the month's book donations from all areas. These books are then sorted and distributed to children's libraries based on their needs and requests.

- **Children Library Management**

1001buku supports independent, non-profit, community-run children's libraries by providing books to expand their collections and by creating opportunities for library organizers to share experiences and improve their skills in facilitating their library's activities for children.

- **Regular Gatherings**

With the aim of strengthening friendship, coordination, and to regularly evaluate our activities, 1001buku volunteers hold a regular meeting every 2-3 months. All resources needed for these meetings come from volunteers' contributions, and meetings are held in venues that are provided free of charge.

OUR GROWTH

Since our establishment in 13 May 2002, 1001buku has been actively participating in various campaigns and activities, which have resulted in the magnificent growth of our community and contribution:

- **Volunteer statistic:**

In the first semester of 2003, **834 people** joined as our volunteers, **272.32 percent** higher than **224** volunteers registered in May-Dec 2002.

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- **Book Drop Box statistic:**

In May-Dec 2003, there were **28 Book Drop Boxes** located in Jakarta, West Java, Central Java, East Java, and Yogyakarta, meanwhile, as of the first semester 2003, there were **62 Book Drop Boxes** registered, which includes new Book Drop Boxes in North Sumatra and North Sulawesi.

- **Library statistics:**

As of the first semester 2003, **104 libraries** were listed in our network, or **205.88 percent** higher than **34 libraries** listed in May-Dec 2002.

OUR PARTNERS

We have been supported by various local and international institutions, such as, the **World Bank, British Council, Coca Cola Foundation, Jakarta's Art Council, McDonalds, Gedung28, Indonesian Journalist Alliance**, and **Forum Lingkar Pena**. We have recently signed a memorandum of understanding with **RPX**, a prominent logistic company, in a joint campaign titling "**Anak Indonesia Membaca**", RPX group provides free delivery services, amounting 500 kgs per month, of books collected by 1001buku, to children libraries nationwide.

In addition to that our community and activities have obtained support from and coverage by leading national and local media, such as **MetroTV, TransTV, TV7, Kompas, The Jakarta Post, Bisnis Indonesia, Media Indonesia, Koran Tempo, Investor Indonesia, Sinar Harapan, Republika, Pikiran Rakyat, Tempo, Femina, and Nova**.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

1001buku's Organizing Committee covers the following divisions: Administration/Registration, Book Collecting, Distribution, Library, IT and Campaign & Promotion. 1001buku is chaired by **Dwi Andayani**, elected as **Chairwoman** for the period of **August 2003-August 2004**, she holds a degree from Tarumanegara University, and is a construction consultant in Jakarta.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTICIPATION!

Please kindly contact Chairwoman of 1001buku, **Dwi Andayani** at **0818845140** or **dwee-and@hotpop.com** or Coordinator of Campaign & Promotion, **Dian Safitri** at **0817764098** or **diansafitrimail@yahoo.com** to explore how you and or your institution could collaborate with us.

Further information on 1001buku can be found at **www.1001buku.org** or email us at **buku1001@yahoo.com**

Volunteers' discussion archive can be found at **www.yahoogroups.com/group/1001buku/messages**

Want to become one of our volunteers? Please send a blank email to: **1001buku-subscribe@yahoogroups.com**

We are looking forward to your participation!

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