

Kindness eradicates poverty



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A Foreword by **Founder & Chairman**

Poverty is not a choice to most of us, especially those who are born into it. It is a vicious cycle with its own life-sustaining ability if it is allowed to fester. Yet its antidote in breaking the cycle is available in all of us. Kindness!

Osimal Foundation is anchored on kindness. The old adage "it's better to give than to receive" is its mantra. Since its establishment the Foundation has been rendering assistance to deserving people and entities, through various aids, in education, food, housing and even medical. But those were only possible with the help from 'Friends of Osimal'. Their unbound charities and kindness have contributed much to the success of the various programmes launched by the

Foundation. To them, we salute and say thank you very much. There are still much work to be done. The rural folks living in dilapidated shacks need help. The students who are eager to pursue their education but for their financial constraints, require assistance. The school leavers who are keen to be agropreneurs are skill-hungry too. These are within the radar of the Foundation in 2022 and beyond.

The Foundation therefore appeals to all for your kindness so that together the scourge of poverty may be mitigated, if not eradicated.

Tun Richard Malanjum

Introduction

Osimal Foundation is founded by Richard Malanjum, the 9th Chief Justice of Malaysia. Having personally experienced breaking barriers of poverty through education, Malanjum spearheaded the initiative to establish Osimal Foundation together with like-minded friends to help deserving members of the community. Although initially focused on education, the Foundation’s mission has now expanded to encompass health, single mothers and other related issues.

In 2019, Osimal Foundation was incorporated under the Trustees (Incorporation) Ordinance (Cap 148). It is a non-profit making body and it is mainly funded by donations from its own Trustees and Friends of Osimal Foundation. In 2021, Osimal Foundation was granted full tax exemption by the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia (IRB).

MISSION STATEMENT

1. To give hope to the poor, disadvantaged & neglected members of society through the following action:

• by providing shelter & proper housing

• by providing access to better & higher education to poor students through bursaries & other means

• by assisting poor families especially youths to attain self-sustenance through skills, agricultural & other forms of training

• by providing medical aid & other forms of assistance to the sick

• by assisting those affected by natural disasters through relief & other efforts

• by assisting affected rural communities access to legal services

• to raise & source for funds to finance the above endeavours

2. Generally to assist in poverty eradication through the above action



Clockwise from left: Datuk Nellie Sikodol, Ratnawati Binti Osman, Dymphna Ubing, Tun Richard Malanjum and Kevin Joibi.

FOUNDER & CHAIRMAN

Tun Richard Malanjum

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Datuk Nellie Sikodol	Ratnawati Binti Osman
Kevin Joibi	Dymphna Ubing



Above: Fencing at Buayan Hostel by villagers.

Donation

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MAKE YOUR DONATION TODAY

All donations can be made to:

BENEFICIARY BANK: MAYBANK
BENEFICIARY: THE REGISTERED TRUSTEES OF OSIMAL FOUNDATION
BANK ACCOUNT NO: 560148701926
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Kindly send all transaction slips to secretariat@osimal.org or osimalfoundation@gmail.com for issuance of tax exemption receipt, together with:

- a. Full name of Donor
- b. NRIC No. / Passport No. / Company Registration No.
- c. Full Address
- d. Contact Number

Thank you to all friends of Osimal Foundation.

ACTIVITIES

Covid-19 Food Aid

The sudden closure of most economic sectors due to the pandemic left many families especially those depending on daily wages scrambling for help. Osimal Foundation, with the help of volunteers from various districts in Sabah, distributed food aid to thousands of affected families in Penampang, Putatan, Papar, Kota Marudu, Kota Belud, Kudat, Pitas, Pensiangan and Paitan.





ACTIVITIES

Covid-19 Medical Aid

In response to urgent call for help from Sabah Health Authorities, Osimal Foundation donated various medical equipment to support our medical frontliners. This includes Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), face masks, face shields, isolation gowns, Powered Air-Purifying Respirator (PAPR), mobile negative pressure isolation chamber and vital signs monitors.

Osimal Foundation also co-ordinated efforts to obtain covid-19 test reagents from Singapore and Kuala Lumpur for immediate usage of the Sabah Health Laboratory.



ACTIVITIES

Education Aid

As part of our commitment to eradicate lasting poverty through education, Osimal Foundation partnered with local communities in three villages namely Kg. Buayan Penampang, Kg. Longkongan Penampang and Kg. Matanggal Paitan to build hostels for students. These hostels are built to provide accommodation for students who otherwise are forced to make a few hours journey on foot to and from school every day and to minimize truancy among students.



Above: SK Longkongan Penampang Hostel



*Above: SK Matanggal Paitan Hostel
Centre left: Villagers and students posed in front of
SK Matanggal Paitan Hostel*



St Martin De Porres, SK Buayan Penampang



Before



After: Completed home



ACTIVITIES

Homes for Deserving Families Program

■ House for Single Mother in Kġ Kobusak, Penampang

Osimal Foundation aided in constructing a new family home for Puan Martina, a single mother of 3 boys. After the sudden demise of her husband, she found herself homeless after a fire burnt down their family home. Having lived in a temporary shack made of plywood and corrugated zinc with her children for 3 years, she now lives comfortably in a 3-bedroom single storey home built through the kindness of Friends of Osimal Foundation.

Centre left: Handing over the key of completed home to Puan Martina

ACTIVITIES

Kaiduan Agriculture Training Centre (KATC)

KATC is a programme initiated to provide a learning platform in agriculture with emphasis on modern farming for youths. The 1st batch of trainees comprised of 8 students from several districts in the interior of Sabah. The program is conducted for 6 months and students will be given assistance post training to start their own farm in their respective villages. Osimal Foundation is hoping to expand this programme to cater for more trainees in the future.



Above: Study visit to Vanilla Farm in Kinarut





Before: In construction



After: Completed home



ACTIVITIES

Natural Disaster Aid

Rebuilding of Destroyed Homes in Kg Sugud, Penampang

On 15th September 2021, many houses and basic facilities were destroyed by mud flood in Kg Sugud Penampang. Osimal Foundation donated pipes and tools to rebuild the gravity water system that connects to the water catchment in the forest. With the help of generous donors, Osimal was also able to help five families build their new homes after destruction of their former houses.



ACTIVITIES

Natural Disaster Aid

Water System Repair
in Kg Sugud, Penampang



Our Sponsored Students



Testimonial from Cheong Ming Long

I am Cheong Ming Long, raised in a single parent family since I was in primary school. My mother has been strong to support the family. In 2020, my grandparents passed away and economic downfall caused a major emotional upset to her. I had to defer my studies for a year to work as a part timer to lessen the financial burden of my family and hope to continue my studies with my savings.

I am an undergraduate Civil Engineering student that is currently undertaking a degree course at Curtin University. I was asking around for help in all form so I can continue my studies and I got in contact with Mr. Carl. He was very informative and professional during the interview. After the interview, I contacted Tun Richard to inform him more about my situation. Tun Richard was very caring and showed concern to the situation I was facing. I was guided throughout the process to write a letter about my situation to people that were willing to lend a hand. Also, I was introduced to apply student funding from foundations around Sabah.

Tun Richard brought me to Kampung Timpagoh Sugud to survey the house of a family that was caught in a fire. I was amazed by how many people Osimal Foundation have been helping in the past. I received enough funding for my study and living expenses within a month! My hope to continue my studies would not be possible without the help from Tun Richard and Osimal Foundation. There are no words that can express how grateful I am and humbled for all the love and help I received to get through these difficulties.



Testimonial from Kilina Lawrence

I am a beneficiary of the charitable act of Tun Richard Malanjum, Chairman of Osimal Foundation.

Since childhood, I have always wanted to be a lawyer. I grew up in Bondulu Children's Home Tambunan, a boarding house managed by missionary nuns. I was under the care of Sister Rose C. Ginibun for almost 10 years, since I was in primary 5 in 2005. The hostel provides shelter for young children whose parents are poor, broken families and have difficulty in taking care of their children. I still remember, during the first week I cried days and nights even in school because I was homesick and I ran away from the hostel but came back later after one month.

I was introduced to the meaning of poverty at a very young age as my parents did not have regular income other than toiling a small plot of land for subsistence living. I also endured many difficulties during my school days. My parents did not have enough money to pay for my school books as they had to pay for the school fees and expenses for my other siblings as well. Because of this, I could only do the homework given by my teachers by begging my classmates to at least allow me to see the questions from their books. There was once when I could not do my homework and my science teacher caned me in front of my classmates. Only one of my classmates noticed the situation and told the teacher that it was not because I was lazy in doing it. I did not have the activity book containing the questions. I could have taken the easy way out which is to simply stop schooling. But I was determined to study. After the caning incident, I promised myself to take every opportunity to get involved in as many competitions as possible such as storytelling, public speaking and sports with the objective of getting cash prizes. That was the only way for me to get extra money so that I could pay for the books which my parents could not afford.

Growing up with more than 60 children in the hostel from all parts of Sabah taught me to be independent, tough and always strive for excellence. I have idolized Tun Richard Malanjum since my school days for all his achievements, efforts and the legal developments that he brought to Malaysia and Sabah in particular. My life journey taught me to always fight for what is right and do my best in everything I do.

After I completed my SPM in St. Martin Tampasak, Tambunan in 2012, I pursued my Form 6 in La Salle Secondary School, Kota Kinabalu, the same school that Tun Richard Malanjum went to. I decided to enter La Salle upon discussion with Mr. Edmund Tay Hock Kim, the former excellent principal of St. Martin Tampasak, as he knew that I was inspired to become like Tun Richard Malanjum. He made an effort to ensure that I got a placement at Benildus House Tanjung Aru, a boarding house that was managed by the late Brother Charles Michael O'Leary. During my time there, the boarding house catered for Form 6 students from distant places such as Tawau, Sandakan and Sook, Keningau who came to pursue their Form 6 in La

Salle school.

In 2014, after all the hardships that I went through, I emerged as La Salle's top 3 STPM students by obtaining straight A's. I still remember when I had to skip lunch most of the time. I only ate during dinner as it was already included in our monthly hostel fee. When Tun Richard Malanjum initiated to build another hostel in SK Longkogungan, my heart was touched. It is undeniable that he has the interest of the ordinary and poor people at heart, especially those in the deep interiors of Sabah.

During my gap year before entering university in 2015, I volunteered to teach students at St. Theresa Hostel, Kota Marudu. The hostel is mainly for needy children particularly from remote areas in Kota Marudu such as Kg. Sonsogon, Kg. Nalapak, Kg. Tangkarason and Pitas who needed the support to continue their education.

After my university application was announced in 2015, I had the chance to pursue my law degree but as time passed, my interest changed. I applied to study Bachelor in Accountancy at Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR) Sg. Long, Selangor and my monthly allowance was contributed by Tun personally. However, I found the course very difficult as I did not have any background in accounting, I literally gave up after two semesters.

I met Tun Richard Malanjum at his office at the Kota Kinabalu High Court. Tun advised me not give up and I must continue my studies. At the same time, my scholarship from Biasiswa Kerajaan Negeri Sabah (BKNS) was withdrawn as I changed to a new university without informing them. I applied to study Bachelor in Accounting and Finance at Nilai University, Negeri Sembilan. In consideration of my good STPM result, the University gave me 100% free tuition fees as well as free accommodation. To maintain this award, I must maintain a 3.50 CGPA throughout all the semesters. I managed to maintain the score for a while. Unfortunately, in the final year, I missed by a few points. As a result, the scholarship was withdrawn. I had to raise at least RM20,000.00 to complete the course. I called Tun Richard Malanjum for advice and Tun said we should write a letter to seek support. Tun Richard Malanjum

and I sent letters to a few high-ranking government officials including the Prime Minister and the Chief Minister of Sabah. Out of all the letters we sent, there was only one that replied, which is the former Federal Court Judge, Dato' Seri Gopal Sri Ram. He contacted me on the same day and contributed RM 20,000.00 from his personal funds. I am blessed with all the golden-hearted people that helped me to achieve my dreams. Throughout my degree, I received more than double the amount that was initially needed, from Dato' Seri Gopal Sri Ram. I pledged to myself to spend the money wisely. Since then, I have extended Dato' Seri Gopal Sri Ram's kindness by sending my sister to pursue her degree in peninsular Malaysia, contributed some money to a struggling mother who started her job in town, helped another mother whose husband was diagnosed with early-stage cancer and gave some pocket money to my parents.

I want to quote Tun Richard Malanjum's life philosophy: "Life is only life and worth living if it is lived to make another life better". Reflecting on the generosity that I have received throughout my life, I cannot deny the power of kindness. Now that I can finally stand on my own, I pledge to myself that I will return the kindness to society!

Testimonial from Lee Long Shuen

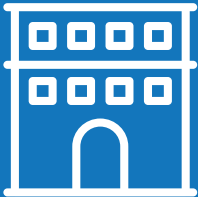


My name is Lee Long Shuen. I am currently studying electronic (computer) engineering course at University Malaysia Sabah (UMS). I come from a poor family. My mother is a rubber tapper and I have a younger sister who is now studying in primary six at a government school. My family's monthly income is as little as Rm450 only. Despite my poor condition, I tried very hard in my studies and was able to achieve 5 As in the SPM examination in SMK St Mary Limbahau, Papar.

I received an offer letter to further my studies in STPM at SM La Salle Tanjung Aru. Unfortunately, because of my poor family condition, I was barely able to further my studies. My secondary school principal knew about this. She helped by introducing me to Osimal Foundation. From there, I was given a new glimpse of hope. Osimal Foundation managed to get sponsors to fund my studies.

I wish to express my deepest appreciation to the Dato’ Chua Song Lim & Datin Koh Sai Eng Foundation, Osimal Foundation, Tun Richard Malanjum, Toh Puan Charlene Jintoni, Madam Elizabeth Mak and Dato’ Seri Gopal Sri Ram for allowing me to change my life and that of my family. Without their help, I would not have been able to finish my STPM and further my studies in university. I am now more determined to study hard and change the fate of my family. I am very grateful for such kindness from them that I hope in turn I'll be able to return and help other needy students to achieve their goals in the future.

Future Plans



Construction of hostels for students



Construction of homes for deserving families



Construction of hostel for carers of patients at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Kota Kinabalu



Education Grants for deserving students

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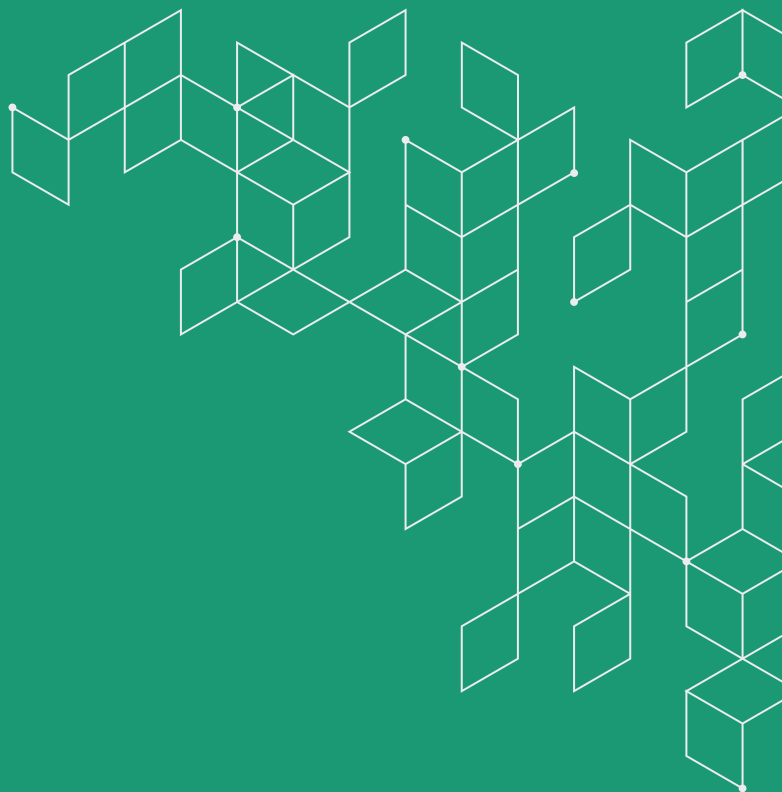
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