

Newsletter

Human Initiative 2025



POSITIVE IMPACT 2025

witnessing the impact
of collaboration throughout 2025

SUCCESS STORY 2025

discover inspiring stories
from program rights holders

INSIGHT & INOVATION

Human Initiative's efforts
toward sustainable impact





**Inclusive
Collaboration**

Editorial Message

Without us realizing it, we have come to the end of another year in the spirit of spreading goodness. Throughout 2025, Human Initiative has been present through child protection programs, economic empowerment, disaster risk management, and basic infrastructure development; delivering support that upholds dignity and opens pathways toward a better future for communities.

Our sincere appreciation goes to Dear Initiators, corporate partners, volunteers, and the wider community who continue to believe that even the smallest act of kindness can move greater goodness forward. May this year's humanitarian journey inspire us as we look toward 2026 with renewed hope; because when goodness flows, change will always find its way.

Warm regards,
Human Initiative Newsletter Team 2025



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About Human Initiative

Human Initiative (HI) is a global humanitarian organization committed to delivering dignified and sustainable solutions for communities in need. Guided by the 2030 vision “Mobilizing Goodness to Uphold Human Dignity,” Human Initiative implements long-term development programs that place people at the center of intervention.

Four Program Pillars:

- Initiative for Children – Child protection and fulfillment of children’s rights
- Initiative for Empowerment – Household economic empowerment
- Initiative for Disaster Risk Management – Disaster response and preparedness
- Initiative for Infrastructure – Access to clean water, sanitation, and connectivity

With a network of branches and partners both domestically and internationally, Human Initiative continues to expand its impact through multi-stakeholder collaboration.





Human Initiative operates through 13 branches in Indonesia, 5 overseas branches, and representatives in 13 countries.

Registered with:



Deed of Establishment of the Foundation Number 9 dated December 10, 1999



Registration Number 310/5/PI.02/06/2022 from the Ministry of Social Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia



United Nations "Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council"

A member of:



HFI (Humanitarian Forum Indonesia)



SEAHUM (Southeast Asia Humanitarian Committee)



NEAR (Network for Empowered Aid Response)



ICVA (International Council of Voluntary Agencies)

Standardization:



Sphere International

PSEA International

Quality Management System:



Contributions & Impact

Throughout 2025, Human Initiative delivered humanitarian assistance reaching 637,423 rights holders through 33 programs, supported by more than 4,083 humanitarian volunteers. These humanitarian and development efforts were felt across 2,176 locations throughout Indonesia. This achievement would not have been possible without the support of various stakeholders, including the central government, provincial and district governments, academic institutions, practitioners, private sector partners, local organizations, and Dear Initiators.



Initiative for Children

Programs focused on fulfilling the rights and basic needs of children.



Initiative for Empowerment

Programs aimed at empowering human resources and systems to improve community quality of life.



Initiative for Disaster Risk Management

Programs dedicated to strengthening community resilience to disasters and climate change.



Initiative for Infrastructure

Programs focused on expanding access and improving quality of life through essential infrastructure.



Qurban Distribution Program

Human Initiative is present during the Qurban season to assist in the distribution of sacrificial animals across various regions, ensuring equitable access so that qurban reaches those who truly need it.



Initiative for Children

219,998

Total Rights Holders



Initiative for Empowerment

22,236

Total Rights Holders



Initiative for Disaster Risk Management

148,901

Total Rights Holders



Initiative for Infrastructure

42,716

Total Rights Holders



Qurban Distribution Program

203,572

Total Rights Holders



Total Rights Holders

637,423



Volunteers

4,083



Programs

33



Coverage Areas

2,176

(Data updated as of 23 December 2025)
(Sumber: Human Initiative Data & Information Center)



Success Story

Initiative for Children

Behind the Grocery Shelf, a Future Doctor Awaits

Qia grew up in modest circumstances that gradually shaped her resilience. Losing her father at a young age taught her to understand life earlier than most children her age. To this day, Qia helps her mother sell groceries at home after school. She does so with sincerity, as an expression of love for a mother who never stops striving. Through these daily routines, Qia has learned perseverance, discipline, and the meaning of continuing to move forward despite limitations.

Behind her everyday life, Qia holds a dream of becoming a doctor to serve others. The Foster Parent Program stands alongside her journey through educational support, enabling her to continue learning with enthusiasm. From there, her dream continues to grow: nurtured by belief and sustained by the effort she puts in every day.



(Name disguised in accordance with Child Safeguarding Policies)



Success Story

Initiative for Empowerment

Behind the Screen, MSMEs Continue to Learn

Amid the demands of managing businesses and families, dozens of food-sector MSME actors from 13 provinces found new opportunities to learn through a lightweight, flexible e-learning program designed for areas with limited internet connectivity. This innovation by Human Initiative, supported by the care and commitment of Dear Initiators, serves as a bridge between the spirit of learning and the real needs faced in the field. From Aceh to Papua, participants' enthusiasm reflects a growing determination to continue developing despite existing limitations.

The learning materials, covering business ideas, financial management, and food certification, were warmly received as practical solutions to daily challenges faced by MSME actors. As shared by Ibu Evi, one of the participants from eastern Indonesia, the program serves as a reminder of the importance of continuous learning and innovation. Behind each screen, it is not only knowledge that grows, but also confidence; strengthening the belief that meaningful change can begin with simple steps, such as opening one learning module amid daily routines.





Success Story

Initiative for Disaster Risk Management

Walking Through Temporary Shelters, Holding Hope Together

Amid the stretch of volcanic ash blanketing Desa Konga, Haris, a Human Initiative volunteer, carefully walks through rows of temporary shelters that have become home to hundreds of displaced families. He is there not merely to collect data or conduct assessments, but to truly witness how life unfolds in the first days following the eruption of Mount Lewotobi Laki-laki on 17 June 2025.

He sees two bore wells standing as the only source of hope for nearly 500 families. Each day, residents line up patiently with jerrycans in hand, waiting their turn to collect water shared for everyone. For Haris, moments like these reaffirm that the presence of volunteers in times of disaster goes beyond delivering aid. It is about showing up with empathy, listening, understanding, and walking side by side, step by step, on the journey toward recovery together.





Success Story

Initiative for Infrastructure



From River to Well: A Story of Clean Water Access in Desa Billa

Before the well was built, residents of Desa Billa in East Nusa Tenggara had to walk one to two kilometers every day to reach the nearest river just to collect water. During the dry season, the river's flow diminished, forcing families, most of whom are farmers, to ration water even for basic needs such as drinking, cooking, and bathing. For them, water was more than a household necessity; it was the lifeline for agricultural land, livestock, and daily religious activities at the prayer hall.

Today, that long journey has come to an end. Through the Air Bersih Pelosok NTT (Clean Water for Remote NTT) program, Human Initiative, with the support of local partner Bhakti Nusa Tenggara, constructed a waqf-based well that now serves more than 100 families. Water now flows closer to home, restoring not only access but also a renewed sense of gratitude, productivity, and togetherness. What was once a long and exhausting struggle has transformed into a quieter yet meaningful change, where life slowly grows stronger and continues forward in a more humane way.



Success Story

Program Sebar Qurban

A Qurban That Touched Hearts in Kilo 12, Central Maluku

In Kalibuaya Hamlet, Kilo 12, Central Maluku, Eid al Adha usually arrives in quiet gratitude. With only one sacrificial animal available to be shared among nearly 200 households, the qurban meat is carefully portioned so that everyone can receive a small share. This year, however, felt different. When the Human Initiative team arrived with four qurban cattle, children ran out to welcome them with joy, and parents felt a renewed sense of happiness after days of collective preparation. The entire community came together in a spirit of mutual cooperation. From customary leaders and mothers to youth and children, everyone worked side by side, setting up the area, preparing logistics, slaughtering the animals, and ensuring that the meat reached every household.

This hamlet was chosen as a qurban distribution site not merely because of its location, but because of the deeper meaning behind it. The qurban became more than a ritual: it was a tangible expression of care and solidarity. Through this moment, the people of Kalibuaya felt remembered and valued, even though they live far from the bustle of the city.





Success Story

Human Initiative Volunteer Energy (HIVE)

When Access Was Limited, Human Initiative Volunteer Energy Was Present in Palembayan

Amid relentless rain and roads cut off by landslides, volunteers from Human Initiative Volunteer Energy (HIVE) chose to keep moving forward. Together with the evacuation team, they knew that residents of Dusun Palembayan, Agam Regency, West Sumatra, had yet to receive assistance due to severely limited access. On Saturday, 30 November 2025, after traveling as far as possible by land, the team continued the journey on foot for 30 to 45 minutes, navigating slippery and unstable terrain to deliver humanitarian aid entrusted by Dear Initiators. They held onto the belief that goodness will always find its way.

For the volunteers, being in Palembayan was more than completing a mission of aid distribution. What they encountered went far deeper. In the midst of the disaster, they witnessed resilience in the eyes of families sleeping in evacuation shelters with empty stomachs, fatigue, and uncertainty yet also saw communities coming together in mutual cooperation to clear disaster debris.



These moments became the reason the volunteers continue to keep hope alive for disaster survivors. In every step, they carried not only assistance, but also presence, empathy, and reassurance that the affected communities were not alone.



Success Story

Program Ramadan



A Month of Dignity in the Corners of Tokyo

Behind the bright lights of Japan, there are stories that are rarely heard. One such reality is faced by people living in the hidden corners of Tokyo, particularly in Shinjuku and Ueno. Although their numbers are relatively small (fewer than 3,500 people nationwide in 2024) they continue to face significant challenges, including the high cost of living, limited access to adequate housing, and social stigma that often leaves them feeling invisible. Amid the constant pace of city life, they endure these hardships in silence.

During the month of Ramadan, Human Initiative Japan was present with care and compassion. In collaboration with local Muslim organizations, volunteers distributed food packages, hygiene supplies, clothing, and other basic necessities. This act of kindness served as a reminder that even in a busy metropolis, there are always individuals who care; who see, empathize, and respond with genuine humanity.

 INSIGHT & INNOVATION 2025

Program Strengthening Direction of Human Initiative in 2025

The year 2025 marked a period of organizational development aimed at ensuring that collaboration and the delivery of benefits could be carried out in a more structured, transparent, and sustainable manner.

Grant Making Organization (GMO)

Human Initiative assumed the role of a Grant Making Organization (GMO) by ensuring that humanitarian funds are managed accountably and translated into programs that are relevant and responsive to community needs.

Beyond direct implementation, Human Initiative works with overseas implementing organizations and local partner institutions across various regions to reach rights holders more broadly.

Program strengthening priorities in 2025:

- Effectiveness of program implementation
- Delivery of benefits reaching grassroots community levels
- Transparency and accountability in humanitarian assistance
- Capacity strengthening of partner institutions to ensure sustainable impact

Through this approach, program implementation no longer relies on a single institution alone, but on a collaborative partnership network that continues to grow stronger.





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Parents Organization

“Nurturing a humanitarian ecosystem for long-term sustainability.”

Beyond managing program funding, Human Initiative serves as a Parents Organization, actively fostering humanitarian ecosystems at both national and global levels.

This role is realized through strategic collaboration, knowledge transfer, and capacity strengthening of local humanitarian organizations across regions, enabling more local actors to independently respond to humanitarian needs.

Key contributions include:

- Training and mentoring for emerging humanitarian organizations
- Standardization of humanitarian practices and procedures
- National and international networking to expand collaboration opportunities
- Strengthening governance and professional management of local humanitarian organizations

“These efforts aim to ensure sustainability, recognizing that humanitarian action is not only about responding to today’s needs, but also about building the capacity to address future challenges.”



Continuing Humanitarian Collaboration into 2026

Meaningful change happens because you never stop taking steps of humanity by helping families recover, enabling children to return to school, and expanding access to more dignified living conditions for communities across Indonesia.



To collaborate or learn more about humanitarian programs, please visit the Human Initiative website or contact the Human Initiative team.





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