

Muhammadiyah Social Fund and the Hierarchy of Its Orphanages Financial Independence

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Abstract: This study aims to analyze the Muhammadiyah social fund and the hierarchy of financial independence of seven Muhammadiyah's orphanages in the province of D.I. Yogyakarta. This study is utilizes primary data which is obtained from interview, questionnaire, document studies, and observations; and analyzed using Analytical Hierarchy Process and SWOT approaches. It is found that the orphanages have the same type of fund resources which collected from the donors, namely, permanent donor (the top priority), incidental, social service and government, permanent business, and seasonal business. Meanwhile, the orphanage funds were allocated to the foster children's skill improvement, foster children's tuition fee, orphanages development fund, orphanages activities, kitchen support/daily needs, orphanage's saving/investment and foster children's saving/investment. Four of out seven orphanage funds prior all-occasion went to the foster children's skill improvement, while the rest to the orphanage development, foster children's saving/investment, and orphanage's saving/investment respectively. It means that these hierarchies still indicates the dependency of the orphanages financial sources toward the donors, or lacks of their own investment despite some are better-off by starting their own-business. These finding could be benefited for the orphanages in managing the social funds for investment and mapping their potential as well as the development of the orphanage financial independence in the future.

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mostly for the foster children's skill improvement. While the Panti Asuhan Muhammadiyah Wates's main priority is the orphanages development fund, Panti Asuhan Muhammadiyah Nanggulan's main priority is the foster children's saving/investment. 4). The top prior donor that suggested by any programs and criteria in the analysis is the permanent donor.

5.2. Recommendation

This research suggests that the orphanage's potential should be maximized as high as possible. The existing potential can be developed into a profitable and sustainable business. Therefore, the orphanages are able to create welfare for the foster children. The orphanages are required to be strongly independent from various aspects, mostly in financial aspect. The dependent of foster children to the orphanage can be reduced by creating the independence environment and empowering them with skill and financial management training that can be started in the early stage. A specification skill is needed by each orphanage among skill they have. It means the orphanage can develop the prior potential they have and execute it as a representing business unit to support the orphanage economy. There are some topics research areas that potential to investigate by further researcher i.e: a). The orphanage's model of empowerment and financial independency; b). How promote a certified and qualified orphanage management system.

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