

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**Contact:** Megan Lehtonen
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Ontario, Calif. (Nov. 7, 2017) — The first Community Plumbing Challenge Construction Week, the second half of the Community Plumbing Challenge 2017 (CPC2017) program, will begin Thursday in Cicau Village in Cikarang, Bekasi (West Java), Indonesia. The international Community Plumbing Challenge brings together design, construction and education as action for improving public health in regions where communities are still threatened by a lack of basic sanitation and safe drinking water systems.

The first part of CPC2017, Design Week, was held from July 31 to Aug. 3 at Sekolah Dasar Negeri (SDN; "Public Elementary School") Cicau 02. During Design Week, an International Team comprising young plumbers, plumbing engineers and architects from Indonesia, India, Australia and the United States completed a surveying and design process over four days in full consultation with school management and with further input from teachers and schoolchildren. A sustainable upgrade solution for water supply, wastewater and handwashing at the school was the objective of this collaboration, and the resulting work plans will be implemented by an expanded International Team during Construction Week. The project will be delivered in full collaboration with the local community from Nov. 9 to 15.

"We are excited to welcome several of the young Design Week participants back for a second time, to Construction Week; many of them have told us that they have 'caught the bug', and want to do all they can to support the work through to completion," said Project Manager Grant Stewart. "The combined skillset of our CPC2017 International Team has now been expanded to include bricklayers, welders, carpenters and tilers alongside our plumbers and plumbing engineers. We are looking forward to what will be an intensive, challenging but ultimately rewarding Construction Week. From the moment we touch down on Wednesday, November 8, the team will be reminded not only *what* we are here to do, but *why* we are here to do it."

"We are extremely grateful for the support of all our Indonesian and International partners and sponsors, with special thanks to new supporters who have connected with the CPC2017 program in the short period since Design Week," added Project Manager Seán Kearney. "With each new project our supporter network continues to expand, and we are working hard to ensure that all organizations and their representatives will enjoy maximum benefit from their involvement in the program this year."

You may stay tuned to all developments from CPC2017 Construction Week via Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityPlumbingChallenge/> and on Twitter by following [@CommPlumbing](https://twitter.com/CommPlumbing).

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