

ABSTRACT

BILQIS DAMAI NURAINI MEGANTARA. 2023. **COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT THROUGH THE RAKSA DESA PROGRAM TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY WELFARE (Study in Setiawargi Village, Tamansari District, Tasikmalaya City)**. Department of Community Education, Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, Siliwangi University of Tasikmalaya.

Setiawargi Sub-District is the second largest sub-district in Tamansari District, Tasikmalaya City, therefore there are still many problems in terms of youth issues, environmental health, and education. This can be seen from the relatively low level of community education, the lack of clean water, and the lack of management of existing natural resources. Therefore, an empowerment program is needed to help the surrounding community become more empowered and prosperous. The purpose of this study is to determine community empowerment through the Raksa Desa program in improving people's welfare in Setiawargi Village, Tamansari District, Tasikmalaya City. The method used in this study is qualitative using a descriptive approach. The data collection techniques used that is through observation, interviews, and documentation. The results study is the process carried out in the Raksa Desa program can run in an orderly and well-conceived way so that the Raksa Desa program can provide good benefits and outputs to the target community. The conclusions from this study are that the Raksa Desa program can help communities become empowered and can assist communities in gaining access to their welfare in terms of income, environmental health, and education.

Keywords: Community Welfare, Empowerment, Raksa Desa.