

Reducing Crime by Creating a Community Collaborative Space: Case Study on Alpina, Cisitu, Bandung

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ABSTRACT

Cisitu area which is located in northern Bandung was a rural community that has been developed fast within decades to public housing. Now it has developed to a dense housing area, with many beautifully furnished rented spaces dedicated for students who came from outside Bandung. As we might know, Bandung is well-known for its decent academic atmosphere, because there were several good reputation universities and colleges. Located close to ITB, Unpar, and Unpad, Cisitu is one of best area for students from outside the town to live in. The development somehow impacted on social problems in the community that increases crime in this area. This paper focused on how Alpina does its business to fulfill students' needs around Cisitu area, from a business to a community collaborative space to serve student community. As a positive impact of Alpina collaborative spaces, the community lives in such a social controls that reduce crime in the environment. A collaborative space made by a community with or without leaders has some advantages on reducing criminality in the neighborhood. It stabilized the environment because of the social control created between the people within.

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