

AlTo Update December 2012: Thanks for gifts you have already given

Dear Friend of AlTo,

It's that time of year. Folks are counting blessings, giving thanks, and paying attention to how we give, and receive, to and from all those we love around us.

Here at the Alliance for Tompotika Conservation, we want to thank you for the gifts you have already given, and what they have made possible in Tompotika and in our world.

You've helped reverse the decline of the endangered maleo bird in Tompotika. Thanks for that. You've helped protect 10,000 hectares of native forest. Thanks for that. You've helped save the lives of thousands of endangered sea turtle adults and babies. Thanks for that. You've brought joyful conservation education to thousands of people, including every school in Tompotika. Thanks for that. I could go on and on... but the point is: THANK YOU for putting your values to work in the world.

Here is your most recent gift, to conservation and to the people of Tompotika: two fabulous mural paintings on the school walls in two villages.



You can read more about the project in this article from the *Beachcomber*, the local newspaper on AlTo's U.S. base on Vashon Island, Washington, at this link:

<http://www.vashonbeachcomber.com/news/181032681.html>

These murals were a gift from you, the AlTo family, to the people of Tompotika. They were given "*dengan ketulusan hati*," with a sincere heart, in honor of Tompotikans' conservation commitment and successes, and as you can read in the article, they've brought a lot of joy. Thanks for that too.

And please, if you haven't already done so, please keep your giving going this year, and make a donation to AlTo. You can send a check to the address below, or donate on-line at our website, www.tompotika.org.

Thank you. And Happy Holidays from all the AlTo team!

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