

Ainaro Lia-Foun

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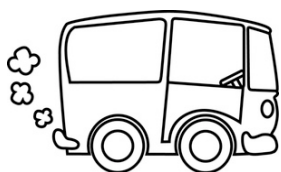
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Where Did All the Money Go?

Last year the Tour de Timor bike ride raised \$1500 for solidarity programs in Ainaro.

Here's how the community is using it.



\$300: Transport for Eye Surgery

An NGO called *Fo Naroman Timor Leste* is providing eye surgery for people in Ainaro district, at a hospital in the nearby village of Maubisse. Our grant will help patients travel to the clinic and return home. The program will serve people in the towns of Ainaro, Hatu Udo, and Hatu Bullico.

\$200: Cemetery Renovation

The 1999 Massacre Cemetery and Monument in Mau Nuno had fallen into disrepair. Our funds helped repaint the memorial and provide supplies for the site. Pictures are posted on our website.

\$200: Vulnerable Persons Unit Support

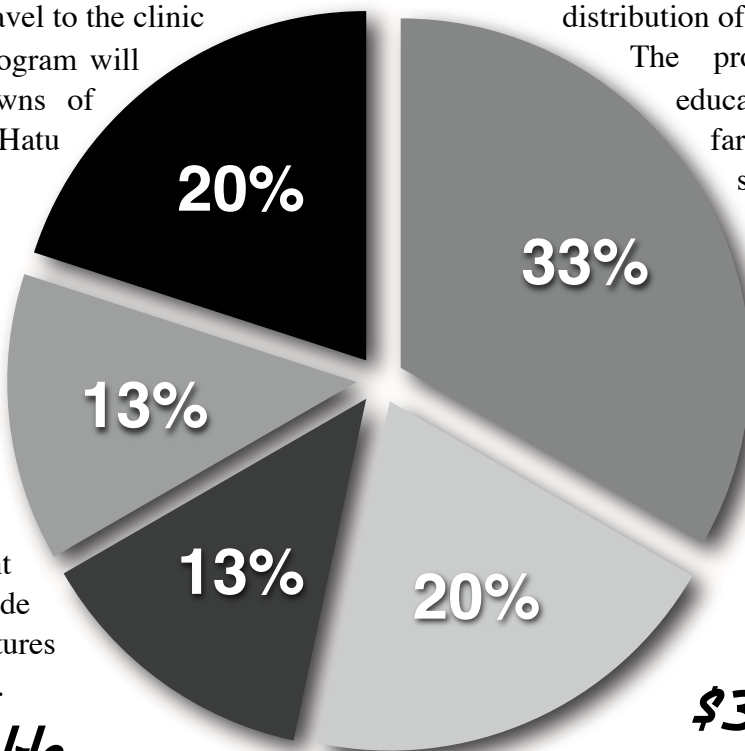
The Ainaro Police will use these funds with a special unit focused on violence in the home. Outreach is planned to inform the community about new laws against domestic violence.



\$500: Red Cross Agriculture

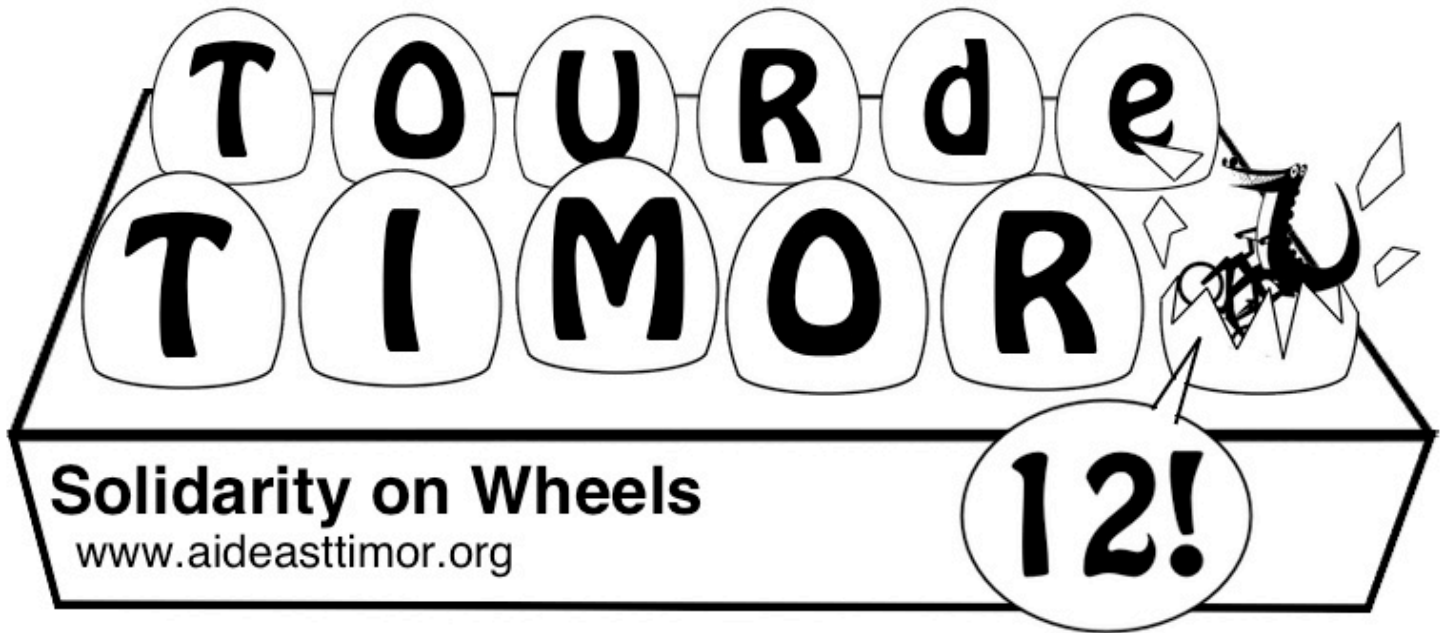
The Ainaro office of the Red Cross has begun a program of improved agriculture, including distribution of seeds and organic fertilizer.

The program also features an education component, to help farmers get the most out of scarce resources. The Red Cross team in Ainaro works in and with the community, with a hands-on approach that gets people involved.



\$300: Traditional Dance & Music Program

We have provided a grant to the Ainaro NGO *Haburas Timor*, which is educating young people about traditional music and dancing. They will eventually teach students how to play — and even make — instruments like the *babadook*, drums, and gongs.



Sunday 22 May 2011 @ 1:00 PM

Starting at the WORT-FM Block Party (118 S. Bedford Street)

Mark your calendars for the 12th annual *Tour de Timor* sister-city bike ride fundraiser. As usual, we'll start at 1:00 pm and go around Lake Monona, a 13-mile trip. The ride begins at the always-fun WORT Block Party, on Bedford Street near Doty in Madison.

Your \$25 ride registration gets you an organic, union-made Tour de Timor T-shirt. We also encourage you to collect pledges – download pledge sheets at www.aideasttimor.org. The highest pledge-raisers will receive prizes from Tour de Timor co-sponsors, including **Family Farm Defenders, Machinery Row Bicycles, Yellow Jersey, Rainbow Bookstore, Planet Zebulon, Just Coffee** and *The Progressive* magazine. We'll also have delicious snacks courtesy of **People's Bakery**.

For more information, visit our website at www.aideasttimor.org or call Eric at 608-241-2473.

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