

HANDICRAFTS FROM USED CANS

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ABSTRACT This article discusses the potential of handicrafts from used cans as an additional source of income for Indonesian immigrants in Malaysia. This article describes the different types of handicrafts that can be made from used cans, such as flower pots, pencil holders, piggy banks, and decorative lamps. In addition, this article also provides a step-by-step guide on how to make some simple handicrafts from used cans. Benefits for immigrants, Increase additional income, Introduce Indonesian culture in Malaysia, Improve skills and creativity, Build social networks with local communities. Handicrafts from used cans are an easy, cheap, and creative option to generate additional income for Indonesian immigrants in Malaysia. With a little skill and creativity, immigrants can create beautiful and unique handicrafts that are loved by local buyers.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In Indonesian Big Dictionary, the notion of craft is an item produced through hand skills. It can also mean as a (small) company that makes simple items. According to Deni Setiawan in the book *Seni Kriya Nusantara*, the notion of craft is a branch of art that emphasizes higher hand skills in the process. Craft is a form of artwork produced by human hands by processing natural materials or synthetic materials. Handicrafts are often produced in the form of objects that have their own artistic value and beauty, such as wall hangings, sculptures, carvings, ceramics, and so on. handicrafts are activities to create a product or item that is done by hands and has a function of use or beauty so that it has a selling value that can be used in meeting the needs of human life. In this context, handicrafts from used cans are one form of craft that uses recycled materials, namely used cans (Wahyudi & Muflihah, 2022).

Handicrafts from used cans are one form of creative art that turns used cans into items that have aesthetic value and usefulness (Ruswandi, 2016). In creating handicrafts from used cans, one needs to have high skills and imagination. In creating handicrafts from used cans, one needs to have skills in cutting, folding, and painting cans and combining them with other materials to create interesting shapes and designs.

Processing used cans into handicrafts uses creativity and craftsmanship to turn them into useful and aesthetic value items. The processing of used cans can also provide environmental benefits by reducing the amount of waste and recycling materials that can still be used (Suryanti et al., 2022). Handicrafts from used cans can also be a source of economic income for the community, especially in developing handicraft businesses and selling these handicrafts (Kindoyop et al., 2018).

Based on the explanation above, the purpose of processing used cans into handicrafts is to create goods that have aesthetic value and usefulness, reduce the amount of used can waste, recycle materials that can still be used, and also as a source of economic income for the community (Wahyudi & Muflihah, 2022).

2. METHOD

The methods used in processing used cans into handicrafts include: (Suryanti et al., 2022). Selection and preparation of used cans to be processed into handicrafts. 2. Clean and cut used cans according to the desired design. 3. The process is folding and painting used cans according to the desired design and combining them with other materials. other materials used here are used jute sacks to cover the basic material of used cans.

3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The processing of used cans into handicrafts has several results and discussions that can be achieved. One of the results of processing used cans into handicrafts is to create various types of unique and beautiful products, such as pencil holders, wall hangings, or accessories (Wahyudi & Muflihah, 2022). In addition, processing used cans into handicrafts can also provide environmental benefits by reducing the amount of waste and recycling materials that can still be used (Suryanti et al., 2022).

In processing used cans into handicrafts, the materials used such as used jute sacks show that there is other waste utilization in the handicraft making process (Anggraheni & Has, 2022). The use of additional materials such as used jute sacks can help in covering the basic material of used cans to have a more aesthetic appearance. In addition, processing used cans into handicrafts can also be a source of economic income for the community (Wahyudi & Muflihah, 2022). By selling

handicraft products from used cans, people can earn additional income and improve their economic welfare. Thus, the processing of used cans into handicrafts not only provides environmental benefits by reducing waste, but also provides economic benefits to society.

4. CONCLUSION

In processing used cans into handicrafts, there are several results and discussions that can be achieved. This processing not only creates unique and beautiful products from used canned materials, but also provides environmental benefits by reducing waste and recycling materials that can still be used (Suryanti et al., 2022). In addition, the use of additional materials such as used jute sacks can give a more aesthetic look to handicraft products from used cans. In addition to environmental benefits, processing used cans into handicrafts can also be a source of economic income for the community (Wahyudi & Muflihah, 2022)

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