

RESEARCH TITLE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN INCOME GENERATION ACTIVITY
FOR THE ELDERLY IN HUAY TOEI SUB-DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION
ORGANIZATION, KUD RUNG DISTRICT, MAHASARAKAM PROVINCE

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ABSTRACT

The research titled ‘Community participation in income generation activity for the elderly in Huay Toei Sub-district Administration Organization, Kud Rung district, Mahasarakam province’ aimed at 1) exploring the context of the elderly in Huay Toei Sub-district Administration Organization, Kud Rung district, Mahasarakam province and 2) proposing income generation activity for the elderly in Huay Toei Sub-district Administration Organization, Kud Rung district, Mahasarakam province. This qualitative research gathered the research data with the elderly from elderly school in Huay Toei Sub-district Administration Organization, Kud Rung district, Mahasarakam province through an in-depth interview, a focus group, a brainstorming discussion, and a participatory action research. The results showed that, in the pre-research stage, the elderly were agriculturalists, non-member of any career group and they all had potential in producing stuffs from local materials and local wisdoms. In the mid-research stage, a brainstorming discussion with executives and staff from the sub-district administration organization, and the elderly yielded different career training courses such as dish washing detergent, liquid soap, and shampoo from local materials. The activities were designed from the elderly participation to be convenient and practical with local resources as ingredients. In the evaluation stage, the elderly were capable to apply their knowledge from the activities to produce dish washing detergent, liquid soap, and shampoo for their household use. This helped them reduce their household expenses and earn their extra income from selling the products. Local government sectors should support the products and encourage the career groups to convey their wisdoms and career skills to the next generations.

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