



30 April 2026

MEDIA FACTSHEET FOR PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE 2026

The President's Challenge seeks to promote a culture of unity and respect by uplifting aspirations and empowering lives. It supports programmes that help individuals facing greater challenges realise their potential, nurtures talent in the arts and sports, and enables leaders and role models to drive meaningful social impact.

2 The President's Challenge 2026 will support **62 programmes** (from 60 organisations), roughly the same number as the 60 supported under President's Challenge 2025.

3 In keeping with the refreshed focus¹ of the President's Challenge, the 62 programmes span a range of initiatives, including efforts in early intervention, second chances, and inclusive opportunities. Examples include:

a) **REACH Community Services' Project GEMinate**

Aims to support children aged 6 to 12 who may have experienced challenges such as parental separation, neglect, abuse, and trauma. Through community sports and play therapy, the programme aims to build resilience, confidence, and emotional well-being, while identifying those who need more targeted support.

b) **One Hope Centre's Behavioural Addiction Recovery Programme**

Supports individuals and their families recovering from behavioural addictions. Through counselling and peer support over six months, the programme helps beneficiaries and their families understand triggers, build healthier coping strategies, strengthen relationships, and sustain recovery over time.

c) **The RICE Company Ltd's (TRCL) Mascot Engagement Programme**

Nurtures values such as kindness, courage, and resilience among youth through arts-based learning. Through character creation, performance, and storytelling, participants develop socio-emotional skills – including self-awareness, communication, and collaboration – and go on to serve as ambassadors at community and national events.

¹ In 2025, the President's Challenge was refreshed to focus on uplifting aspirations and potential rather than on needs per se, and achieving more sustained social impact. The refresh has been supported by a shift from short-term assistance to longer-term funding, enabling benefiting programmes to deliver deeper and more lasting impact.

EMBARGOED UNTIL END OF THE VISIT ON 30 APRIL 2026

4 The **President's Challenge Fellowship**² will open for applications for a fresh batch of Fellows, following its launch in 2025 with the first set of 12 Fellows. Applications for the Civic Action, Springboard, and ITE Inspire tracks may be submitted from **4 May 2026 to 12 June 2026** via the [President's Challenge](#) website. Online information sessions, providing an overview of eligibility and assessment criteria, and more details on the selection process, will also be available to interested Civic Action applicants on **7, 11, and 18 May** via the [Civic Action](#) webpage.

5 The President's Challenge also extends its reach and deepens its impact through strategic partnerships across sports, arts, and culture.

- a) In **sports**, it supports Team Singapore athletes in pursuing sporting excellence through the spexEducation Undergraduate Scholarship, as well as expands opportunities for more children and youth to play and compete. It also significantly expands pathways for persons with disabilities through the Enabling Sports Fund, which grows community-led disability sport initiatives and enables talent identification for high-performance pathways in disability sports.
- b) In the **arts**, it supports emerging talents to develop their aspirations, contribute to Singapore's cultural identity, and uplift capabilities in the arts sector, including the creative economy, through the NAC Arts Scholarship.
- c) In **culture**, it supports efforts to bring communities together through shared cultural experiences, such as Chingay, while creating opportunities for cross-cultural participation, contribution, and outreach.

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² The President's Challenge Fellowship, launched in 2025, empowers individuals along three tracks: the Civic Action track aims to develop new approaches in the social sector; the Springboard track supports individuals bouncing back from major setbacks; the ITE Inspire track recognises ITE graduates with outstanding career achievements. For more information, visit: [President's Challenge Fellowship | President's Challenge](#)

Annex A – President’s Challenge Impact Partnerships

1	<p>The Presidents Challenge supports the NAC Arts Scholarship (Degree) for degree programmes and NAC Arts Scholarship (Diploma) for diploma studies broaden access to arts education and help uplift young artistic talents, including those from underprivileged backgrounds, enabling them to pursue an arts education, grow their career aspirations, and become future leaders in the arts sector. The NAC Arts Scholarship (Diploma) is available for selected arts programmes offered by School of the Arts (SOTA), Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA), and LASALLE College of the Arts.</p> <p>A total of 17 degree scholars and 27 diploma scholars have been supported as part of the scholarships.</p> <p>More information about NAC's scholarships can be found on NAC's website.</p>
2	<p>The Presidents Challenge supports the Enabling Sports Fund (ESF) supports impactful community-initiated disability sports initiatives that encourage persons with disabilities to discover their interest and potential in sports, as we build a more inclusive society through sport and identify sporting talents at an earlier age.</p> <p>21 proposals will be supported under the ESF and are expected to benefit over 8,000 persons with disabilities across more than 20 sports.</p> <p>More information on the ESP can be found on SportSG’s Inclusive Sports Portal.</p>
3	<p>SportSG has expanded its sports outreach through programmes offered by ActiveSG Academies & Clubs (A&Cs) and its partners under the Associate Partners Scheme (APS).</p> <p>More than 1,500 participants participated across ActiveSG Cup competitions for hockey, water polo, and para swimming, as well as the ActiveSG Multisport School Holiday programmes.</p>

	<p>More information can be found on ActiveSG Academies & Clubs website.</p>
4	<p>The Presidents Challenge also supports the spexEducation Undergraduate Scholarships enhances the employability of Team Singapore athletes and viability of a sporting career by supporting athletes who are keen to pursue undergraduate studies. There are two tracks under the programme – the Dual Career track, where athletes can continue their competitive sporting careers while pursuing their studies, and the New Career track, where athletes can pursue their studies after retiring from competitive sports.</p> <p>A total of 12 scholars across 6 sports have been supported as part of the scholarship.</p> <p>More information on the scholarship can be found on SportSG's website.</p>
5	<p>The Presidents Challenge has enabled the development of a signature multi-cultural performance as a highlight of Chingay Parade. Through the Parade, the People's Association seeks to enhance cross-cultural appreciation as well as inspire Singaporeans to embrace diversity as a source of national pride.</p> <p>Chingay Parade 2026 attracted more than 30,000 attendees as well as over 2 million local and overseas viewers through online and TV broadcasts.</p>

Annex B – President’s Challenge 2026 Benefitting Organisations and Programmes

S/N	Organisation	Programme
1	=DREAMS (SINGAPORE) LIMITED	DREAMS Residential Living
2	APSN LTD.	CW 6, 7, and CW 8: A Continuous Care Pathway for Adults with Mild Intellectual Disability and Higher Support Needs
3	Autism Resource Centre (Singapore)	Employability and Employment Centre (E2C) Job Support Programme
4	Beyond Social Services	CCA (Creative Community Associations)
5	BIZLINK CENTRE SINGAPORE LTD	Introduction to AI-Assisted Graphic Design
6	BRAIN TUMOUR SOCIETY (SINGAPORE) LIMITED	BTSS Empowerment Grant
7	CampusImpact	Study Buddy
8	CARINGSG LIMITED	Future Care Alignment Initiative
9	CENTRE FOR FATHERING LIMITED	ICAN Programme
10	CHILDREN’S CANCER FOUNDATION	Wellness Programme
11	CHRISTIAN OUTREACH TO THE HANDICAPPED	COH Consolidated Therapy Programme (Physiotherapy)
12	Diabetes Singapore	Sugar Smart Families
13	Empowered Families Initiative Ltd.	Empowered Families Initiative
14	Epworth Community Services	Bold Horizon
15	ETONHOUSE COMMUNITY FUND LIMITED	Joyful Learning and Enhanced Literacy Support Programme
16	Fei Yue Community Services	Hope Horizon
17	FOUNDATION OF ROTARY CLUBS (SINGAPORE) LTD	SOBERISE – Re-claiming & Re-building Lives
18	FRIENDS OF THE DISABLED SOCIETY	Skills & Entrepreneurship Programme (SEP)

19	GLYPH COMMUNITY LIMITED	Weekend Home @ Marsiling
20	HCSA COMMUNITY SERVICES	HCSA Dayspring: OWENA
21	HEARTWARE NETWORK	Children Support Programme by Youth volunteers
22	HOME FOR GOOD, SINGAPORE LTD.	Mentor for Good Programme
23		Buddy for Good Programme*
24	Life Community Services Society	Project Beacon
25	LIMITLESS (LTD.)	SAFEHOUSE: Online Mental Health Support for Youths
26	LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES LIMITED	Project Rekindle
27		Project ReMENdy
28		Bridges to Love
29	Metta Welfare Association	Metta School Alumni
30	Milk (Mainly I Love Kids) Fund	Uplift!
31	MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION (SINGAPORE)	MDAS Art Class Programme
32	NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE	Psychological First Aid 2.0
33	NEW LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICES	Project Rise (Resilience, Inspire, Support, Excel)
34	NEW LIFE STORIES LIMITED	Mama's Bae (Pregnant Mothers in Prison)
35	ONE HOPE CENTRE	Behavioural Addiction Recovery Programme
36	PRISON FELLOWSHIP SINGAPORE/ Seventy Times Seven	Care Club
37	PRO BONO SG	Help Centre @ Family Justice Court
38	REACH COMMUNITY SERVICES LTD.	Project GEMinate
39	RISE THRIVE INITIATIVE LTD.	Pathways to Self-Agency: Strengthening Women and Families in Singapore
40	SHINE Children and Youth Services	Resilience Trails Plus: A Dignified Journey Towards Stability, Self-Reliance & Social Mobility**
41	Singapore Anti-Narcotics Association	SANA ACTivate: Parents as the First Line of Defence

42		Community in Unity Fest
43	Singapore Aquatics	Empowering Lives through Aquatics
44	Singapore Cancer Society	GenC - Building a cancer-free generation
45	Singapore Children's Society	Kaki Learn
46	Singapore Council of Women's Organisations	Virtue Voyagers - Project Awesome
47	Singapore Indian Development Association (SINDA)	EdTech ICT Plan
48	SOUTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY FAMILY SERVICE CENTRE LIMITED	Growth Collective
49	SPD	Community Enablement Pathway: Living Beyond Walls
50	THE ALICIA PROJECT SG LTD.	Access to Integrated Mainstream Care for Transitional Shelter Clients
51	THE NATIONAL KIDNEY FOUNDATION	EMPower+
52	The New Charis Mission	Residential Rehabilitation Programme
53	THE RICE COMPANY LIMITED	Mascot Engagement Programme
54	TOMOWORK LTD.	Talent Accelerator Programme
55	TOUCH COMMUNITY SERVICES LIMITED	Sheltered Employment at TOUCH Centre for Independent Living@Enabling Village
56	VENTURE MUSIC ASIA LTD.	Starlight Programme – A Lifelong Music Community
57	WATCHMAN'S HOME COMMUNITY SERVICES LTD	Project Canaan
58	Woodlands Social Centre	Family Anchor
59	XIN YUAN COMCARE LTD.	Seniors as Heritage Mentors – Building Community Through Culture and Connection
60	YELLOW RIBBON CARES LIMITED	Titans of Change: Peer-Led Reintegration
61	Young Men's Christian Association of Singapore	Club LITE



62	Young Women's Christian Association of Singapore	YWCA Empowering English Programme
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