

MEDIA RELEASE

Community Chest Channels Over \$80 Million to Support More Than 130,000 Individuals and Families

190 partners recognised at Community Chest Awards as growing long-term giving, volunteerism and capability-building strengthen Singapore's social service sector

SINGAPORE, 5 OCTOBER 2026 – Community Chest, the philanthropic arm of the National Council of Social Service (NCSS), channelled over \$80 million to 340 social service programmes and projects in FY2025. This benefitted more than 130,000 individuals and families – about 45 percent more than the average number of service users supported over the last three Financial Years. The increase was driven by wider reach of existing programmes, including those supporting families, as well as new initiatives such as grovve, Singapore's first integrated youth wellness centre.

2 The support was made possible by a growing community of donors and partners contributing funds, time and expertise. At the Community Chest Awards 2026 today, 190 partners were recognised for their contributions through giving, volunteerism, non-monetary support and inclusive business practices – a 12 percent increase in the number of awardees from last year.

3 Over the past decade, Community Chest has raised and disbursed more than \$500 million to support the social service sector.

4 Community Chest also directs contributions towards strengthening the capabilities of social service agencies (SSAs). In FY2025, \$4 million went towards supporting leadership development, people practices and organisational capabilities. This commitment continues in FY2026, including through the recently announced \$5.6 million ASPIRE¹ initiative aimed at improving SSA capabilities in addressing behavioural addictions and making community-based support more accessible to individuals and families. These efforts help SSAs respond to evolving social needs, sustain services and deliver better outcomes over the longer term.

5 Partners are also deepening their support. In FY2025, Community Chest secured over \$100 million in multi-year commitments, giving SSAs greater certainty to plan and sustain their services. The number of Volunteer Partner Award recipients also rose by more than 40 percent from last year, reflecting stronger commitment to regular volunteerism and deeper community engagement.

¹ Addiction Support Programme for Inclusion, Recovery and Empowerment (ASPIRE)

6 A total of 271 awards were presented this year including five Pinnacle Awards, Community Chest's highest accolade. The Pinnacle Award recognises organisations that demonstrate exemplary holistic contributions through financial giving, volunteerism or non-monetary support, and inclusive business practices. This year's Pinnacle Award recipients were DBS Bank, Income Insurance Limited, Singtel, SP Group, and UOB. The awards were presented by Guest of Honour, President Tharman Shanmugaratnam, and host, Senior Minister of State for Social and Family Development and Home Affairs, Mr Goh Pei Ming.

7 "Every contribution makes a difference. From donations and volunteering to sharing expertise, hiring inclusively, and using products and services that advance social causes, each effort helps strengthen support for individuals and families. As more partners make longer-term giving commitments and create meaningful ways for employees to contribute, we can provide stronger and more sustained support to meet the needs of the community and build a more effective social service sector. This is the spirit of 'Better Starts with Us' – everyone playing a part in building a caring and inclusive Singapore," said Mr Danny Koh, Chairman, Community Chest.

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About Community Chest

As the philanthropic arm of National Council of Social Service, Community Chest has been uniting the community to mobilise resources and raise funds for those in need since 1983. Community Chest supports more than 300 critical programmes and projects, benefiting over 130,000 social service users annually. 100% of funds raised go to programmes and capability building of social service agencies serving communities in need such as children and adults with disabilities, persons with mental health needs, youth-at-risk, as well as families and seniors in need. For more information about Community Chest, visit www.comchest.gov.sg.

ANNEX A: Key Highlights of Community Chest FY2025 Impact Report

Message from our Chairman and Managing Director

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As I begin my journey as Chairman of Community Chest, I am encouraged by the generosity I see across our community and by what we can achieve when individuals, businesses and social service agencies work together.



Over the past decade, the generosity of our donors, volunteers and partners has enabled Community Chest to uplift the lives of individuals and strengthen the resilience of families in need. Together, we have raised and channelled more than \$500 million to social service programmes and capability-building projects across Singapore.

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Every contribution matters. Whether large or small, each gift reflects a commitment to supporting those in need. When giving becomes regular and sustained, that collective generosity gives social service agencies greater planning capacity and visibility, strengthens their programmes in service of the people and lives we uplift.

This is why Community Chest is encouraging regular giving and multi-year partnerships, alongside contributions made in many other meaningful ways.

Companies can complement their financial support with expertise, networks, volunteers and inclusive employment opportunities, helping social service agencies strengthen their programmes and achieve better outcomes.

Drawing on NCSS' sector evaluation framework and the social impact metrics, Community Chest helps partners understand where support is most needed and how their contributions translate into meaningful change. We are also strengthening impact measurement across the sector, so that agencies can use evidence to improve services and donors can see the difference their support makes.

Our aim is to bring together contributions of funds, time and talent, and turn this shared generosity into lasting social impact.

I invite you to join us as long-term partners in building a stronger social service ecosystem, where everyone can live with dignity and no one faces life's challenges alone.

Danny Koh
Chairman (From 1 August 2026)
Community Chest

This spirit of collective action came through strongly during SG60. Individuals and organisations rallied behind meaningful causes, contributing more than \$100 million to social and community programmes through Community Chest, President's Challenge and the Collective for a Stronger Society. Enhanced matching encouraged longer-term commitments.

In FY2025, Community Chest disbursed \$80.6 million to support more than 300 programmes and projects, reaching over 130,000 service users. Behind each number is a person or family receiving support to navigate challenges, strengthen their well-being and move forward with greater confidence.

As the philanthropic arm of NCSS, we draw on sector insights and data to direct resources to areas of need and support better outcomes. Sustained giving helps make this possible. As of December 2025, over 270,000 people were giving regularly through SGSHARE, helping agencies plan and respond to evolving and complex needs.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who has contributed as a donor, volunteer, or partner. Together, we can turn generosity into lasting impact and build a more caring and inclusive Singapore. Better starts when we come together as a community; better begins with stronger, more resilient families; better starts with us.

Jack Lim
Managing Director
Community Chest

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¹ Held by Vice-Chairmen during the interim period (1 January 2026 to 31 July 2026)

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS IN FINANCIAL YEAR 2025

Turning Generosity into Impact

In FY2025, Community Chest channelled support to critical needs across Singapore, while strengthening the social service sector for the future.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

MOBILISING RESOURCES

\$113M

in multi-year commitments



\$100M+

donated through the SG GIVES Matching Grant, with dollar-for-dollar matching and enhanced matching for multi-year commitments

270,000+

SGSHARE donors



STRENGTHENING THE SOCIAL SERVICE SECTOR

\$5.22M

to be disbursed through the SG60 Towards Sustainability Fund to strengthen social service agencies (SSAs) outcome measurement capabilities



181 companies adopted the Social Impact Metrics to measure their philanthropic efforts, contributing over 86,000 volunteering hours¹



MEASURING IMPACT

120+

programmes across 70+ agencies use the SEF



Youth Development Outcomes Report

Published a programme effectiveness benchmark to strengthen outcome measurement



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SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES

\$80.62M

disbursed in FY2025



340

programmes and projects across 143 SSAs



130,000+

service users supported



Note: Some service users may have received support from more than one programme.

Over \$39.55M was channelled to programmes and projects:



\$30.26M through 184 programmes and projects supporting communities in need.



\$1.88M through the IMDA Digital for Life Fund for digital wellness, safety and literacy projects.



1.30M through Healthy with KidSTART to nurture healthy eating habits in children from lower-income families.



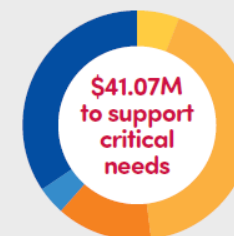
\$4M through the Community Capability Trust for SSAs' capability-building initiatives.



\$1.59M through the 4ST Partnership Fund for innovative cross-sector and inter-organisational projects.



\$0.52M through the Beyond the Label Movement to support persons with mental health needs and foster a more inclusive society.



Children with Special Needs and Youth at Risk
\$14.15M

Adults with Disabilities
\$1.63M

Families in Need
\$5.55M

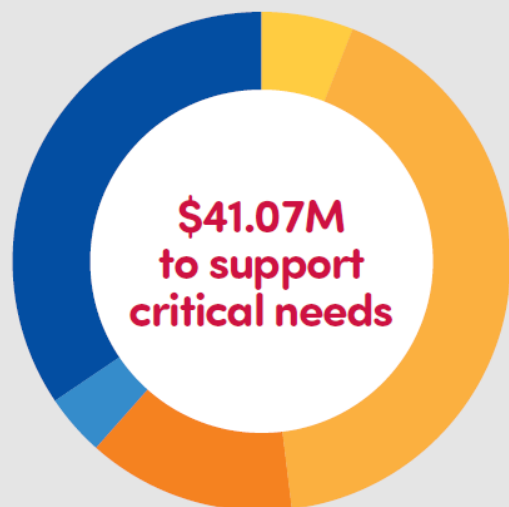
Persons with Mental Health Needs
\$17.27M

Seniors in Need
\$2.47M

Sources: ¹2026 Company of Good cohort

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Turning Generosity into Impact



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**Children with Special
Needs and Youth at Risk**

51 programmes

Providing early intervention, rehabilitation and developmental support to help children and youths build stronger foundations for the future.

\$1.63M

Adults with Disabilities

8 programmes

Enabling independence, employability and community integration for persons with disabilities.

\$5.55M

Families in Need

69 programmes

Strengthening families through case management, parenting support and relationship programmes during times of stress and transition.

\$17.27M

**Persons with Mental
Health Needs**

18 programmes

Supporting recovery, resilience and reintegration through counselling, rehabilitation and employment assistance.

\$2.47M

Seniors in Need

7 programmes

Providing care, counselling and social support to help seniors age with dignity and connection.

ANNEX B: Community Chest Awards Categories and Criteria

The Community Chest Awards 2026 recognises the efforts and commitment of individuals and organisations in Financial Year 2025 (1 Apr 2025 to 31 Mar 2026). The award categories are as follows:

Award	Description										
Charity	The Charity Award recognises organisations and individuals that have made significant monetary contributions to Community Chest. These include outright donations, funds raised through events and contributions through SGSHARE, Community Chest's monthly giving programme. <table border="1" data-bbox="451 689 1460 947"> <thead> <tr> <th>Tier</th><th>Contribution Amount</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Charity Bronze</td><td>\$50,000 to \$99,999</td></tr> <tr> <td>Charity Silver</td><td>\$100,000 to \$199,999</td></tr> <tr> <td>Charity Gold</td><td>\$200,000 to \$299,999</td></tr> <tr> <td>Charity Platinum</td><td>\$300,000 and above</td></tr> </tbody> </table> The Charity Awards for the 2025 Children's Day and Youth Day Appeals also recognise the top three primary schools and top three secondary schools respectively for their outstanding fundraising efforts.	Tier	Contribution Amount	Charity Bronze	\$50,000 to \$99,999	Charity Silver	\$100,000 to \$199,999	Charity Gold	\$200,000 to \$299,999	Charity Platinum	\$300,000 and above
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SGSHARE	The SGSHARE Award recognises organisations that achieved significant year-on-year growth in monetary contributions through SGSHARE (Community Chest's monthly giving programme), measured by the increase in contribution value and/or percentage growth. The top 10 public agencies and top 10 corporate organisations are recognised. Complementing the SGSHARE Award, two certificates recognise organisations for building strong and sustained workplace participation in regular giving: • Certificate of Excellence: Presented to organisations with an employee participation rate of 80% and above, recognising their sustained commitment to building a strong culture of regular giving. • Certificate of Aspiration: Presented to organisations that demonstrate meaningful year-on-year growth in employee participation, celebrating their efforts to inspire more employees to take part in regular giving.										
Change For Charity Innovation	The Change for Charity Innovation Award recognises forward-thinking organisations that make giving part of everyday living by integrating innovative donation methods into their business models. The Award recognises the top three organisations with sustained initiatives and demonstrated fundraising outcomes.										
Volunteer Partner	The Volunteer Partner Award recognises organisations that sustain regular service-based, skills-based or event-based volunteerism in partnership with social service agencies. Through these efforts, employees contribute their time and expertise to strengthen agency capabilities, support programme delivery and improve the quality of life of service users.										

Award	Description
Enabler	The Enabler Award recognises organisations and individuals whose significant non-monetary contributions benefit the social service sector through Community Chest initiatives. These include expertise, networks, platforms, media resources and other contributions that create substantial cost savings or multiply outreach and fundraising impact.
Pinnacle	The Pinnacle Award is the highest honour conferred by Community Chest. It recognises organisations that exemplify sustainable and holistic caring, and demonstrate exemplary commitment across three areas: • Giving: Significant monetary contributions through donations, fundraising or SGSHARE; • Volunteering and enablement: Sustained volunteerism or meaningful non-monetary contributions; and • Inclusive business practices: Creating opportunities for persons with disabilities or persons with mental health needs through inclusive hiring, supportive workplace policies and practices, or the procurement of products and services from social service agencies or social enterprises.

ANNEX C: Translated Terms

Mr Danny Koh Chairman, Community Chest	许统民 公益金主席
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Award Categories

SGSHARE Award	分享计划奖	Anugerah SGSHARE	SGSHARE விருது
Charity Award	善心奖	Anugerah Amal	அறப்பணி விருது
Volunteer Partner Award	义工伙伴奖	Anugerah Rakan Sukarelawan	தொண்டுழியர் பங்காளி விருது
Enabler Award	支助者奖	Anugerah Pengupaya	இயலச்செய்வோர் விருது
Pinnacle Award	顶峰奖	Anugerah Pinnacle	ஆக உயரிய விருது
Change for Charity Award	消费为公益计划奖	Anugerah 'Change for Charity'	அறக்கொடைக்கான மாற்றத்தை ஊக்குவிக்கும் விருது

Others

Community Chest Awards	公益金奖	Anugerah Dana Masyarakat	சமூக உண்டியல் விருதுகள்
National Council of Social Service	国家福利理事会	Majlis Kebangsaan Perkhidmatan Sosial	தேசியச் சமூகச் சேவை மன்றம்