

THE PASSION GOES ON

A new year has arrived, and spring is in the air! Events, activities, dinners, travels, and catch-ups that we were unable to hold in larger scale a year ago are now back in full swing. The world around us is fast-changing, but hopefully some things remain the love, the relationships that make life worth living. I am thankful that this edition of our newsletter is able to update you on what we have been up to and what we plan to do in 2023. I look forward to connecting with you in person soon.

God Bless Lam Moi Kwai, CEO



A life lived in love will never be dull - Leo Buscaglin

LOVE CAME DOWN @ CHRISTMAS



Amidst the afternoon downpour on 17 Dec 22, over 300 children and youths from our 4 core programmes gathered at at our MightyKids, Families and Community (MKFC) centre, located at Blk 32 Telok Blangah Rise for the LCSS Christmas Carnival. It brought vibrancy and cheer, promoting family bonding and alumni give back through activities such as carnival games, face painting, balloon sculpting, art & craft, photo booths, video games, as well as booths serving an array of foods! Our hearts were moved and encouraged when we received positive feedback from residents that they have not attended such a good carnival in many years. Some parents also asked for a repeat of the event! We were honoured to have Minister of Trade and Industry, Mr. Gan Kim Yong graced the event.

This festive season, we celebrated the importance of communities coming together to bring out the best in our children and their families. We celebrated the sacrifices our caregivers have made to provide the best for their children. With thanksgiving and a grateful heart, we celebrated the limitless potential of every child.

ALUMNI GIVES BACK WITH LOVE

A big shout-out to our alumni and clients of our programmes, who have grown up well and are now positively contributing to society. At the Christmas Carnival, it was heartening to see them give back through their performances, by serving at various carnival booths, and supporting us in logistics and crowd control.



JOY OF SERVING



Augustine Lee, FOCY Christmas Party Committee Chairman

Augustine and his team of faithful volunteers organise amazing Christmas parties for our FOCY beneficiaries annually. Let us hear from Augustine, what brings him and his team back year after year!

"We serve because God called; we continued to serve because of the smiles and laughter on the children's faces.

For some families, they have never experienced the love, joy and giving that others felt over the season of Christmas. Being able to share this meaningful experience with the children, is the wish of the team." - **Augustine Lee**

WITH GRATEFULNESS & THANKSGIVING



CHARITY TRANSPARENCY & GOVERNANCE AWARDS 2022

LCSS received the MCCY Charity Transparency Award 2022! This award recognises charities who have adopted good transparency and governance standards, acknowledging their excellent work while inspiring others to emulate their best practices.



Social Service leaders with Mr Edwin Tong

The award ceremony was held at the Singapore Chinese Cultural Centre on 9 November 2022, graced by Mr Edwin Tong, Minister for Culture, Community and Youth & Second Minister for Law.



LCSS Board Chairman Mr Nicholas Goh (left) receiving the award from Dr Gerald Ee , Chairman of Charity Council (right)

YELLOW RIBBON AWARDS 2022: WE ARE EACH OTHER'S SECOND CHANCES



LCSS is honoured to be named as an Advocate for Second Chances (Community Partners) in the Yellow Ribbon Awards 2022, for our efforts in journeying with overcomers (ex-offenders) and their families.

Our Friends of Children & Youth (FOCY) programme supports children and youths impacted by parental incarceration, and is part of the Community Action for the Rehabilitation of Ex-Offenders Network (CARE Network).

In FY21/22, we assisted about 300 children and youths impacted by parental incarceration. Through the programme, about 80% of these children and youth experienced a reduction in behavioural issues, and improved in their social relationships and emotional resilience.

Thank you, Singapore Prison Service and Yellow Ribbon Singapore, for recognising our efforts in shaping a more compassionate and inclusive society!



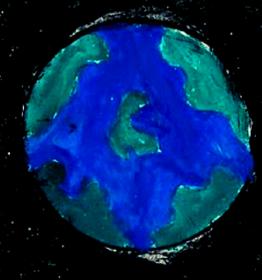
Our Friends of Children & Youth (FOCY) team

A STORY OF HOPE

Peter (pseudonym), 11, comes from a challenging background. Peter's mother, with whom he shares a close relationship, was diagnosed with a terminal illness. Previously, due to the lack of parental supervision at home, Peter had a history of repeated school truancy, irregular school attendance, and petty theft.

After joining MightyKids, Families, & Community (MKFC), he began to show improvements in his school attendance and academic motivation. Peter was also able to better express his emotions and thoughts in a healthier manner and work on building his strengths and other talents.

With the encouragement received, Peter was subsequently empowered and inspired to create a beautiful piece of artwork, that was selected for publication in a book project (in partnership with The Birthday Book Collective) showcasing various artworks and stories done by young children.



"Shine of Earth" by Peter, published in The Birthday Book Junior 2022: Restart



OUR SUPERHEROES!!

In the month of September 22, children from Life Student Care centres had many awesome and fun activities such as Mid-autumn Mooncake making, Superhero themed Kiddie Trivia, reading and badminton games at **Deutsche Bank (DB)**, One Raffles Quay office.

A BIG thank you to all DB volunteers for putting up so many fun activities for the children!

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On 30 September 2022, Life Community Services Society (LCSS) saw 144 golf enthusiasts tee off under clear blue skies at Orchid Country Club for the annual Charity Golf Tournament. The event was graced by Guest-of-Honour, Mr Seah Kian Peng, Member of Parliament for Marine Parade GRC, and Special Guest, ESM Mr Goh Chok Tong. With the generous support of sponsors, donors, and volunteers, LCSS raised \$246,720. All proceeds will go towards helping over 800 children and youths from vulnerable backgrounds, empowering them to be the best they can be!

Golf for Life! 2023 will be held on Friday, **14 July 2023** at **Orchid Country Club**, with **Mr. Seah Kian Peng**, as our Guest-of-Honour. Stay tuned!

Check out Golf for Life 2022 photos HERE



We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to you, for being a part of this lovely family.

We look forward to your continued partnership in creating a lasting impact for our children and youths.

Wishing you abundant joy, good health and success in 2023!

From all of us at Life Community Services Society

CHANGE LIVES WITH US



VOLUNTEERING

Journey alongside in our mission to empowering children and families through care and mentoring



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Every dollar counts!
All outright cash donations received qualify for 2.5 times tax-deduction



CORPORATE PARTNERSHIP

Let's collaborate! We are looking for partners with passion and believe in the work of children and youth we do at LCSS! Gather your team and partner with us to change lives!

UPCOMING EVENTS 2023





For more information on events, general donations, corporate giving and partnerships, please contact us.

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