



**Touching Lives, Lifting Spirits, Nurturing Community Champions** 

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#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

YMCA of Singapore is a volunteer-based Christian organisation that seeks to serve and impact all members of the community regardless of race, language or religion, through programmes, services and enterprises to develop the body, mind and spirit.

#### **CORE VALUES**

#### COMPASSION

To recognise the needs of others especially the last, the lost and the least, then take action to help

#### SERVANT LEADERSHIP

To desire to serve first, then to make the conscious choice to take the lead to act

#### HONESTY

To speak and embody the truth, to act and to be worthy of trust, and to have integrity in making sure our choices (decisions and actions) are in line with our Christian values

#### ACCOUNTABILITY

To be accountable for our behaviour and our actions in meeting our obligations

#### RESPECT

To treat others as we would have them treat us and to value the worth of every person

#### EXCELLENCE

To strive for best practices

YMCA of Singapore (UEN: S61SS0045E) is registered with the Registry of Societies since 12 April 1961. The Association is a registered charity under the Charities Act since 26 November 1985 and recognised as an Institution of a Public Character by the Commissioner of Charities.

YMCA of Singapore is a member of the following organisations:

- People's Association
- National Council of Churches of Singapore
- National Council of Social Service
- National Youth Council

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# **President's Message**



Dear Members and Friends,

2017 marked the 115<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the YMCA of Singapore. We give thanks to God for His amazing grace and for the many opportunities to serve in a stable and safe Singapore, helping people to develop in body, mind and spirit. Our Programmes remain at the core of our mission even as we continue to find ways to optimise and grow our social enterprises.

21 VWO partners put aside their valuable time to join us at a special luncheon on 6 November 2017, where our former Patron-in-Chief, Dr Tony Tan Keng Yam, very kindly graced the occasion as Guest-of-Honour. YMCA is grateful to our VWO partners for their deep friendship and for extending their hands to serve the disadvantaged and distressed together through our programmes. The 13 structured programmes organised by YMCA continue to see active participation from many volunteers. And the dedication and passion with which these community champions give of their time and service is a constant source of motivation to my YMCA colleagues and me. Indeed, this special combination of volunteers and platforms that match the community's needs is as worthy a mission today as it was at any point in time in our history.

On 9 November 2017 we held a thanksgiving service at the beautiful premises in Wesley Methodist Church and we thank our Chaplain Reverend Stanley Chua for his uplifting encouragement and reminders to continue in faithful service to the community. At the thanksgiving dinner that followed, many friends from the local community were joined by friends of our extended YMCA family from overseas and we were honoured to have Ms Joan Pereira, Member of Parliament for Tanjong Pagar GRC join us as Guest-of-Honour.

We are honoured and very happy that President Halimah Yacob has accepted our invitation to be our Patron-in-Chief. My fellow volunteers and staff of the YMCA will continue to constantly review and check that our programmes remain purposedriven and is of positive impact to the community as we move forward.

We are grateful for our social enterprises and endeavor to operate in a manner that is aligned with our core values.

As part of our continuous effort to make a good return from the gift handed to us through the many years, our International Hostel building will undergo refurbishments and will initiate new guest services moving forward, to enhance the guest experience and give our guests a memorable stay. On the education social enterprise front, we have started our first two kindergarten care centres and a new community-based student care in January 2018. And the customer base served by our student care centres continues to grow steadily. Meanwhile, Management is also embarking on initiatives to reposition the services of the YMCA School to meet changing needs of students, but in a way that remains aligned with our core values and mission.

We will also be embarking on a new partnership with the University of the West of Scotland to offer a holistic education experience through undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. We will continue to deepen and nurture our longstanding partnership with University of Strathclyde through the MBA programme.

2018 will be another year filled with events and programmes. We are once again grateful for our donors, sponsors and partners whose support give us encouragement and optimism as we move ahead into another year. We continue to look forward to the special privilege to serve the community in Singapore, including all the volunteers and emerging community champions who seek to nurture a cohesive and strong Singapore.

In His Service, Leslie Wong President

# 2017 Year in Review

## **Community Programmes**



**\$3.7m** spent to benefit beneficiaries

**6,024** hours in counselling/intervention & engagement for youth-at-risk



**23,369** beneficiaries locally and internationally



**130,269** hours of voluntary service

**554** youths reached through YMCA Project Bridge



**8,024** volunteers

## Youth Leadership & Development Programmes



16,192

young community champions engaged under Youth For Causes and Speaking Awards Programmes



\$739,858

raised for charities youths are passionate about



## 1,749

university volunteers mobilised



# 19

corporations engaged to serve the community



# 20,693

hours of voluntary service by university volunteers



**8,453** hours of volunteer training conducted

### **Care Programmes**



## 217

children attended YMCA's Child Development Centres



# 2,128

students nurtured through YMCA's Student Care Centres



21 Student Care Centres

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Child Development Centres

### **Learning Programmes**



## **49**

students enrolled in tuition and enrichment classes

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**139** students enrolled in YMCA School



# 872

students participated in the study tour



# 162

students enrolled in YMCA Higher Education's MBA programme

## **Membership Programmes**

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**5,310** YMCA members



**1,273** participants in outdoor and adventure programmes



**1,381** subscriptions in fitness and dance

## **Hospitality Programmes**



# 69,709

guests stayed at YMCA International House



# 87% occupancy rate

#### **PATRON IN CHIEF**

Her Excellency Mdm Halimah Yacob President of the Republic of Singapore

#### **OFFICE BEARERS**

Mr Leslie Wong Kin Wah President Mr Ooi Boon Hoe Vice President

Mr Albert Ching Liang Heng Vice President

Mr Bryan Tan Suan Tiu Honorary Secretary

Mr Tan Eng Beng Honorary Treasurer

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Mr Leslie Wong Kin Wah President

Mr Ooi Boon Hoe Vice President

Mr Albert Ching Liang Heng Vice President

Mr Bryan Tan Suan Tiu

Honorary Secretary Mr Tan Eng Beng Honorary Treasurer

Ms Koh Shaw Luan Member

#### **BOARD TRUSTEES**

Mr Lee Liat Cheng Mr Cecil V R Wong Mr David Wong Cheong Fook Mr Tay Puan Siong

#### **HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS**

Mr Shaw Vee Meng

Mr Harold Shaw

Dr Robert Loh Choo Kiat (deceased Jan 2017)

Mr Cecil V R Wong

Dr Tony Tan Keng Yam

#### **HONORARY CHAPLAINS**

**Rev Stanley Chua** Pastor-in-Charge, Wesley Methodist Church

Rev Dr Peter Poon Interim Moderator, Orchard Road Presbyterian Church

#### HONORARY LEGAL COUNSELS

Mr Peter Sim Swee Yam Mr Laurence John Wee

#### BANKERS

Citibank DBS

#### AUDITOR

Kreston David Yeung PAC



**Board of Directors** 

Mr Leslie Wong Kin Wah President



Mr Ooi Boon Hoe Vice President



Mr Albert Ching Liang Heng Vice President



Mr Samuel Chan Wei Mun



Mr Ho Chee Hon



Mr Thomas Pramotedham

Mrs Magdalene Sik Swee Hiang



Mr Tam Chee Chong



Mr Teo Zi-Ming



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Mr Kenneth Tan Chih-Sien (co-opted)

Mr Steven Chia Oon Seet



# **YMCA Advisory Council**



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Mr Tan Eng Beng Honorary Treasurer



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Mr Andrew Ang, PBM



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Ms Loo Tze Lui



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Ms Cynthia Tan Guan Hiang



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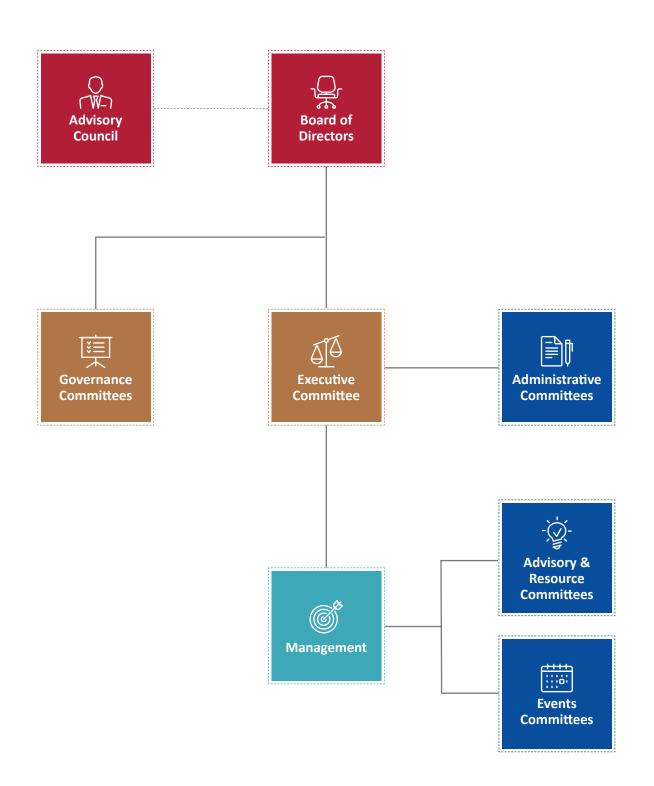


Mrs Mildred Tan, BBM



Mr Tay Puan Siong, JP, PBM

# **Organisational Structure**



## **Management Team**

#### SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Mr Lo Chee Wen General Secretary

Ms Lynette Yeo Assistant General Secretary, Social Enterprises

Mr Joseph Chow General Manager, International House

Ms Yap Lai Ping General Manager, Human Resources & Administration

Ms Karen Wee General Manager, Programmes

Mr Tan Heng Khuan General Manager, Finance

#### SOCIAL ENTERPRISES

Mrs Helen Tan Superintendent, YMCA School & Principal, YMCA Learning Centre

Mr William Tan Principal, YMCA School

Mr Joe Heng Head, Higher Education & Business Development

Ms Guo Weimin Head, Student Care | Kindergarten Care

Ms Mabel Chia Cluster Principal, Child Development Centres

Ms Elsie Kwow Senior Manager, Marketing & Events

#### PROGRAMMES

Mr Andrew Leo Assistant General Manager, Programmes

Mr Victor Poh Senior Manager, Domestic Programmes

Mr Shanon Lim Assistant Manager, Project Bridge

Ms Sharon Chan Assistant Manager, Youth Development Programmes

#### **CORPORATE SERVICES**

Mr Kok Toong Keong Senior Manager, Finance

Ms Claris Oon Senior Manager, Human Resources & Administration

Mr Leong Peng Mun Manager, Information Technology

Ms Mabel Wong Manager, Corporate Communications

# Committees

#### **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEES**

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE

Mr Teo Eng Cheong (Chairman) Mr David Wong Mr Tan Eng Beng (Ex-Officio)

#### NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Ms Cynthia Tan *(Chairman)* Mr Teo Eng Cheong *(Co-Chair)* Mr Samuel Chan Mr Tay Puan Shiong Mr Eric Teng Mr Lo Chee Wen *(Secretariat)* 

#### **STAFF COMMITTEE**

Ms Koh Shaw Luan (Chairman) Mr Albert Ching Mr Stephen Loh Mrs Magdalene Sik Mr Lakshmi Narayanan Ms Karen Chou Ms Yap Lai Ping (Secretariat)

#### ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

#### **IT COMMITTEE**

Mr Thomas Pramotedham (Chairman) Mr Jason Chin Mr William Hioe Mr Victor Yeo Dr Thomas Choong Mr Leon Ng Mr Leong Peng Mun (Secretariat)

#### **INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

Mr Samuel Chan *(Chairman)* Dr Thomas Choong Ms Loo Tze Lui Mr Tan Eng Beng *(Ex-officio)* Mr Colin Chen Mr Tan Heng Khuan *(Secretariat)* 

#### **TENDER COMMITTEE**

Mr Samuel Chan (*Chairman*) Mr Chew Kwee San Mr Bryan Tan Mr Tan Eng Beng (*Ex-officio*) Mr Tan Heng Khuan (*Secretariat*)

#### YMCA EDUCATION CENTRE ACADEMIC & EXAMINATION BOARD

Mr Andrew Chew (*Chairman*) Mrs Helen Tan (*Secretary*) Dr Christina Ratnam Mrs Irene Tay - Koh Chye Choo Dr Yap Meen Sheng Mr William Tan Mr Joe Heng Mr Amos (*Only Examination Board*) Ms Lynette Yeo (*Secretariat*)

#### YMCA FACES COMMITTEE

Mr Steven Chia *(Chairman)* Ms Loo Tze Lui Ms Tan Sze Wee Mr Quek Kwang Yong Ms Eunice Tan Dr Chong Kian Tai Ms Ronda Ng Doswell Ms Melissa Khoo Ms Low Suk Ling Mr Victor Poh *(Secretariat)* 

#### YMCA-NUS BUSINESS SCHOOL VOLUNTEER SERVICE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

Mr Albert Ching (Chairman) Mr Peter Tay Prof Albert Teo (NUS Biz Sch) Mr Edward Lee Dr Anne Marie Guitierrez Ms Gracelyn Ho Mr Chua Hung Meng (NUS Biz Sch) Mr Steven Yeo (NUS Biz Sch) Ms Karen Wee (Secretariat)

#### ADVISORY & RESOURCE COMMITTEES

#### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Mr Kenneth Tan (Co-Chair) Mrs Magdalene Sik (Vice-Chair) Mrs Chan Jee Kun Mrs Susan Chan Mr Andrew Chew Ms Carolyn Lints Mrs Irene Tay - Koh Chye Choo Ms Lynette Yeo (Secretariat)

#### **PROGRAMMES COMMITTEE**

Mr Bryan Tan (Chairman) Ms Cynthia Tan Mr Samuel Chan Mr Wayne Tan Ms Abigail Chan Ms Susan Low Mr Thomas Pramotedham (Observer) Mr Ivan Lim (Observer) Ms Karen Wee (Secretariat)

#### YMCA INTERNATIONAL HOUSE COMMITTEE

Mr Ooi Boon Hoe *(Chairman)* Mr Lee Liat Cheng Mr Peter Sim Mr Choe Peng Sum Mr Derrick Kuek Mr Tan Eng Beng Mr Kenneth Kominski Mr Joseph Chow *(Secretariat)* 

#### YMCA PROJECT BRIDGE COMMITTEE

Mr Stephen Loh (Chairman) Mr Eric Teng Mr Lee Liat Cheng Mr David Wong Mr Edward Ong Ms Packiam Williams Mr Teo Zi-Ming Mr Adrian Tay Mr Shanon Lim (Secretariat)

#### EVENTS COMMITTEES

#### 11<sup>™</sup> YMCA MANDARIN SPEAKING AWARDS COMMITTEE

Mr Kenneth Tan (Chairman) Mr Toh Teck Wang Ms Lim Geok Leng Mr Ma Poh How Ms Jennifer Yin Ms Trudy Loh Ms Wong Lee Jeng Mrs Lim Ler Chew Ms Jean Chai (Secretariat)

#### 31<sup>ST</sup> YMCA PLAIN ENGLISH SPEAKING AWARDS COMMITTEE

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#### CITI-YMCA YOUTH FOR CAUSES 2017 COMMITTEE

Mr Ho Chee Hon *(Chairman)* Mr Adam Rahman Ms Jacquelyn Tan Mr Thomas Pramotedham Mr Leslie Wong Mr Benjamin Tan Mr Owen Hawkes Ms Ong Ee Ing Mr Andrew Leo *(Secretariat)* 

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#### YMCA CLUBS

#### INTERNATIONAL Y'S MEN'S CLUB OF SINGAPORE (ALPHA CHAPTER)

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As stipulated in the YMCA Constitution, President and General Secretary of YMCA of Singapore are ex-officios in all YMCA Committees. The above committees are appointed for the period of 2017/2018.

# Community Programmes

Nurturing volunteers to serve beneficiaries from local and international communities Singapore



# YMCA-TAN CHIN TUAN COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMMES

Putting love into action, the YMCA-Tan Chin Tuan Community Service Programmes seek to fulfil a dual purpose of reaching out to a wide range of beneficiaries and inspiring volunteers to take on the mantle of leadership in serving the community.



"Communicating with people with special needs or disabilities helps me to learn about how much patience, love and care I can give to another person."

Pearlyn Chua Volunteer Leader, YMCA-Tan Chin Tuan Community Service Programmes



"I like it here so much, this is my second house. I like to have art class. I've been here for nine years."

> Yong Qiao Qi Member, YMCA Special Talents, Arts and Recreation Society

### At a glance



**9,307** beneficiaries



**6,676** volunteers



**39,630** hours of voluntary service



**13** structured programmes

# **372** acti

**372** activities

# YMCA INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMMES

Through the YMCA International Service Programmes, YMCA of Singapore aims to provide a service to less-privileged communities by organising community development projects focused on improving healthcare, education, infrastructural improvement, sustainability, conservation and capacity building. By participating in these projects and gaining new perspectives, volunteers are empowered to step up and make a positive change to society, be it at home or overseas.



"In life, love and care are important. That's why you should serve your neighbours and community as much as you can."

Kay Thew Win Secretary, Youth Department, Myanmar YMCA



"During a trip to Cambodia, I sprained my ankle. The principal of the school that we were serving noticed that I was limping and she personally bandaged my ankle. I felt embarrassed, especially when she changed the bandages for me every single day. The first thought that came into my mind was 'Why did she do that?'. She explained that we love others by serving, and as the principal, she has to lead by example. Through this, I learned a very valuable lesson on humility and serving others and it has motivated me to do likewise."

> Abigail Chan Volunteer Leader, YMCA International Service Programmes

#### At a glance



14,062 beneficiaries



**1,136** volunteers



**88,946** hours of voluntary service



**55** trips



**7** volunteer training and sharing sessions



10 countries

# **YMCA FACES**

The YMCA Financial Assistance and Capability for Employment Scheme (FACES) extends short-term emergency financial aid to needy families and provides meaningful work training opportunities for individuals with special needs. YMCA works closely with various Family Service Centres which would help to identify and refer families in need of urgent financial assistance. These families include those who require immediate financial assistance or who do not qualify for existing financial assistance schemes.

> I SUPPORT SECOND CHANCES



"The funding has given our clients from prison a head start towards their reintegration after the release from prison and before getting their first pay. It also helps to alleviate the financial burden of the inmates' families as many of them are usually the main breadwinners before incarceration."

> Lim Siew Tin Registered Social Worker, CarePrison



"I'm thankful to be supported by YMCA. With this assistance, it lightens our financial burden and my family is able to meet our basic needs more adequately. Especially my children, they are able to focus better on their studies."

> Ter Bee Ha Client, Cheng San Family Service Centre

#### At a glance



disbursed

# Y M C A PROJECT BRIDGE

YMCA Project Bridge reaches out to out-of-school youths and youths-at-risk with the mission help them return to school or integrate them back into society through meaningful programmes and activities. The current programmes under YMCA Project Bridge include the Youth Centre activities, Enhanced Step-Up programme and the Vocational and Soft Skills Programme.

To enrich their lives and help them improve on their social skills, youths at YMCA Project Bridge are given opportunities to serve in YMCA community service programmes, attend adventure and sports camps and participate in enrichment programmes.



"The youths are just like a blank canvas, you can feel the fire in them. All we got to do is to give them the opportunity, right mentorship and coaching, and they will be able to shine."

> Monica Tan Principal, Kimage Hairdressing School



"On many occasions, I wanted to give up. But with the support and encouragement of my friends and the chefs, I am glad I persevered and completed the course."

Wan Nurfazlina Bte Mohamad Faiza Graduate, YMCA Vocational and Soft Skills Programme

### At a glance



**554** youths reached



#### 6,024

hours in counselling/intervention & engagement for youth-at-risk



**212** volunteers



1,693 hours of voluntary service

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# Youth Leadership & Development Programmes

Empowering current and future youth to be servant leaders and community champions



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# Y M C A SPEAKING AWARDS

The YMCA Speaking Awards are national level speaking competitions designed to develop critical thinking and speaking skills among our youths. Experiential learning trips are incorporated to encourage our youths' involvement in civic and social activities. By supporting their growth in engagement and communication with each other, the competition aims to groom active citizens and future leaders of Singapore.



"It was the discomfort that motivated me to participate in this competition, because I believe true growth occurs when we overcome discomfort and personal barriers."

> Muhammad Shazuan Bin Shiraj Abdullah 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-Up, 31<sup>st</sup> YMCA Plain English Speaking Awards 2017



"While we want nothing but the best for our children, we must constantly remind ourselves that we do not own them. We are simply agents or tools to help them grow and thrive. We can do this by providing them with opportunities such as the Speaking Awards to learn and grow."

> Jasmine Koenig Mother of Ryan Koenig, Champion, 11<sup>th</sup> YMCA Mandarin Speaking Awards 2017

#### At a glance

31<sup>st</sup> YMCA Plain English Speaking Awards 2017 30 June – 29 September



**494** participants from

133 participating schools

11<sup>th</sup> YMCA Mandarin Speaking Awards 2017 21 March – 26 May



**277** participants from

78 participating schools

# CITI-YMCA YOUTH FOR CAUSES

Funded by Citi Foundation, Citi-YMCA Youth For Causes (YFC) is a catalyst to promote social entrepreneurship and community leadership development among Singapore youths. The YFC programme empowers participants to be the masters of their own project, working closely with VWOs in Singapore, and gaining first-hand experience in organising events to champion a social cause. Students get to learn lessons outside of the classrooms to spark their entrepreneurial spirit, and be developed into socially responsible community leaders.



"At a food donation drive, there was an old lady who was eager to donate food and brought so many cans. She even slept at the doorstep just so she could be the first one to pass us the food. I found that really inspiring as it taught me that even with what little we have, we can still learn to give freely."

> Jocelyn Yeo Alumnus, Citi-YMCA Youth For Causes



"As a teacher, we help to improve the students' ideas and make it more realistic and achievable. The challenge is to create a safe space for them, and yet wanting them to step out of their boundaries. My role is to maintain that balance and help them achieve success so that they can emerge as courageous and confident leaders."

Chney Chen Teacher, Nan Chiau High School

#### At a glance



**111** proposal submissions



**39** schools represented



**100** selected teams



**15,021** young community champions mobilised



**1,036,961**<sup>\*\*</sup> public outreach



**\$739,858** raised



\*\*Figures are extracted from the participants' final reports

# UNIVERSITY-YMCA (UNIVERSITY-YMCA SINGAPORE

UNIVERSITY-YMCA

In an effort to promote youth development, University-YMCA (Uni-Y) service clubs have been established in Singapore to mobilise, empower and involve young people to be actively engaged in serving the community. With a passionate, committed pioneering leadership team, Uni-Y has since grown from glory to glory, strength to strength, building servant leaders who make an impact in both the local and international communities.

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"Family is not blind acceptance; it is loving someone enough to genuinely care for the person's growth. I'm thankful that Uni-Y SMU has showed me love when I fell and held me up when I'm not strong enough. They have taught me to love in a way I never knew I could."

> Lynette Chang President, Uni-Y SMU, Executive Committee 2017



"Through our sharing, we express our vulnerabilities and connect with one another by lending a listening ear. This support helps to build an inclusive family culture where we learn to understand and embrace the differences between us."

Sherwin Thie Leadership Development Director, Uni-Y SMU, Executive Committee 2017

#### At a glance



**20,693** hours of voluntary service



**1,749** volunteers in attendance



236 new volunteers



68

sessions of local community service



**10** sessions of international service trips

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**4** student chapters

# YMCA - LIM KIM SAN VOLUNTEERS P R O G R A M M E

Volunteers are the bedrock of all community initiatives. YMCA of Singapore promotes volunteerism and develops volunteer capability through the YMCA-Lim Kim San Volunteers Programme, which aims to build a well-trained and sustainable community of volunteers to deliver community service programmes with excellence and recognise volunteers who sacrifice time and effort to serve the less-privileged and facilitates corporations in giving back to the community.



"Because every participant works in different organisations and sectors, our perspective towards issues also vary. This allows us to engage in meaningful and enlightening conversations, which is something that I enjoy every session."

#### Julia Ng

Volunteer Coordinator, Movement for the Intellectually Disabled of Singapore Graduate, YMCA-NUS Business School Volunteer Service Management Programme



"The highlight for us is when the beneficiaries remember and trust us enough to share their memories, problems or feelings. We are very encouraged by the many friendships built with them over the years."

#### Grace Lin Manager, Corporate Communications, NTUC FairPrice Co-operative Limited Corporate Volunteer, YMCA Community Service Programmes

#### At a glance



#### 8,453 hours of volunteers training conducted



**19** corporations engaged to serve the community

# **Care Programmes**

Nurturing the young through character development to become community champions



# Y M C A CHILD DEVELOPMENT C E N T R E S

YMCA Child Development Centres (CDC) provide a programme which is child-centred and which integrates all areas of learning into an experiential journey. Learning extends beyond the classrooms as children are exposed to events organised by the YMCA for the public. These experiences enhance their social skills and self-confidence, and develop them to become community champions.



"After 10 months in the class, the girls have changed from being shy to confident individuals. I am proud of their enthusiasm for all things and their positive attitudes."

> Christine Lim Mother of Lim Zhi Tong and Lim Zhi Yun, Students at YMCA CDC @ Zhenghua



"I like to play with my friends and laugh with my teachers."

Raphael Goh Student, YMCA CDC @ Zhenghua

## At a glance



# YMCA STUDENT CARE CENTRES

YMCA Student Care Centres (SCC) aim to provide each child with the educational and emotional guidance and support that they need, through a warm and nurturing learning environment. Character building is a key focus at the SCCs where children learn from one another and appreciate the unique qualities of individuals. By seizing teachable moments, we enhance their understanding of love and respect for all whom they come in contact with and encourage the practice of being honest and responsible.



"I have always believed in teamwork and not individualism. Nothing beats teamwork with my colleagues. We keep each other going."

> Valdez Friendly Loi D. Teacher, YMCA SCC @ Sengkang Green



"I enjoy the music lesson, especially when I get to play the ukulele with my friends. It is fun and easy to learn and we even get to perform together at some events."

> Edison Tang Student, YMCA SCC @ Sengkang Green

## At a glance



**2,128** students nurtured through YMCA's Student Care Centres



**16%** increase from 2016



21 Student Care Centres

## Learning Programmes

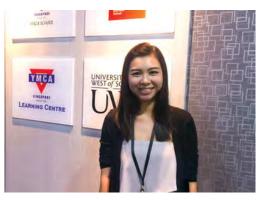
Providing academic opportunities for people to grow and advance in an ever-changing landscape through lifelong learning



# Y M C A LEARNING CENTRE

YMCA Learning Centre aims to enhance students' learning and understanding of academic subjects through an enriching learning experience with the latest learning methodology and syllabus delivered by a team of qualified professional trainers.

YMCA Learning Centre also receives inbound students from overseas through the Study Tour programme. The exchange allows students to experience and understand what it is like to study and live in Singapore while fostering friendships with local students.



"Having a daughter changed my perspective as it helps me to see that the students are no different from my own child. This motivates me to be a better educator for them in both academic and personal growth."

> Lew Ying Tong Trainer, YMCA Learning Centre



"The students are very happy with the fun learning environment during their stay in Singapore. They get to practice speaking English without having to depend on the textbook and experience the Singapore culture."

> Napapat Sorndej Teacher, Anubanrayong School

## At a glance



students enrolled in tuition and enrichment classes

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**872** overseas students participated in the study tour programmes

# **YMCA SCHOOL**

YMCA School aims to provide a holistic education to nurture active and socially responsible individuals of distinction. Besides preparing students for educational excellence, it is also the aim of YMCA to inculcate positive character values such as compassion, servant leadership, honesty, accountability, respect and excellence in developing the body, mind and spirit. Students undergo a community service component, which instills in them a sense of humility and a giving attitude towards others.



"At a point in my life when I encountered problems, Mr Jack would be the first one whom I approached for advice. His concern inspired me to get back on my feet at one of my lowest points."

> Ezra Bryan Student, YMCA School



"When I see light in a student's eyes, it makes all the effort and stress worth it."

> Joseph Tan Associate Teacher, YMCA School

## At a glance



# Y M C A HIGHER EDUCATION

YMCA Higher Education offers bachelor and master degree programmes in partnership with the University of Strathclyde and the University of the West of Scotland. Through the provision of a holistic education experience, YMCA aims to nurture leaders of distinction who can grow in an ever-changing landscape.



"The Strathclyde MBA is moving me closer to my dream of developing profitable and sustainable ventures that will make significant impact on the marginalised in society and the environment."

> Ruth Lee Student, University of Strathclyde MBA, YMCA Higher Education



"It can be challenging to juggle between work and studies. However, the strong social support conferred by the academic staff and my coursemates is both an excellent motivation source and a comfort zone after a long day at work."

> Raymond Moh Graduate, University of Strathclyde MBA, YMCA Higher Education

## At a glance



**162** students enrolled in University of Strathclyde MBA programme



60

new students commenced enrolment in 2017



97% pass rate



**38** students graduated



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## Membership Programmes

Enriching the lives of members through wholesome activities to foster stronger relationships and serve the community



# Y M C A MEMBERSHIP

YMCA organises regular activities to enrich our members' lives. YMCA members are also engaged in meaningful programmes to help serve the less privileged in the community.



"Although I'm no longer involved in competitive fencing, I still think it is important to coach the next generation of fencers. Beyond the technical aspect, I try to identify their best capabilities and develop their confidence so that they can excel in the sport."

> Bobok Viacheslav Coach, Y-Sparks Fencing



"I use the gym three times a week – the central and convenient location makes it a great training facility. Each visit is always a pleasant experience as the staff are very friendly and helpful."

> Royce Chew Corporate Member, YMCA of Singapore

## At a glance



600 Full (Life) Members



**1,185** Ordinary (Life) Members



543 Ordinary (Annual) Members



**192** Ordinary (Youth) Members



**155** Associate Members

## 2,635

Associate (Youth) Members



# YMCA FITNESS AND DANCE PROGRAMMES

YMCA Fitness and Dance programmes aim to promote a healthy lifestyle to members through fun and engaging activities, including Ballet, Fencing, Gym, Line Dance, Swimming and Zumba.



"If you can walk, you can line dance!"

Yeo Kok Pang Instructor, Country Line Dance Association (Singapore)



"I have struggled with my weight for many years. With the help of a caring coach and a very comfortable environment to train in, I was able to push my own limits and make great progress with a healthier lifestyle."

> Li Jiaqi Member, YMCA of Singapore

## At a glance

**Fitness & Dance Subscriptions** 



Zumba

# YMCAOUTDOOR&ADVENTUREPROGRAMMES

YMCA Outdoor and Adventure Programmes are organised for the adventurous who love nature and outdoor activities. Through these trips, participants build character and learn the value and meaning of teamwork, while indulging in their passion for the great outdoors.



"Trekking is one of my favourite activities as it helps to destress. The peace and fresh air is calming, with no pesky phone calls, messages or emails bothering me. I love to explore the grounds and try local cuisines. These experiences provide a deeper insight and perspective for me, especially on consumer mindset and behaviour which is helpful in my line of work."

Thomas Ng Participant, YMCA Outdoor & Adventure Programmes



"There is always plenty of fun and laughter in all the trips that I've joined so far. I appreciate how the different teams were always encouraging and supporting each other. In spite of our differences, they were extremely gracious and accommodating. It's something that is not commonly seen elsewhere."

> Agnes Yap Volunteer Leader, YMCA Outdoor & Adventure Programmes

## At a glance



# YMCAFOLKDANCEGROUP

The YMCA Folk Dance Club is a recreational club that conducts folk dance classes and International Folk Dance appreciation events for members. The group dances help the members feel togetherness and foster a sense of community while keeping healthy and fit.



"Participating in folk dance enabled me to get back on my feet faster, and better than ever. The therapeutic movements helped me pick up energy and strength in my recovery from cancer."

> Mary Koh Member, YMCA Folk Dance Group



"Folk dancing provides a gentle form of exercise, where we learn to synchronise our brain and footwork. The exposure to folk costumes, customs, and traditions also increases our awareness of other cultures."

> Grace Lee Member, YMCA Folk Dance Group





## Hospitality Services

Serving hostel guests with the spirit of excellence



# Y M C A INTERNATIONAL H O U S E

Nestled in the heart of Singapore's famed shopping district, YMCA @ One Orchard presents a welcoming sanctuary away from the hustle and bustle of the city with its clean and comfortable guest rooms. A social enterprise of YMCA of Singapore, YMCA International House employs people with special needs, who are trained in housekeeping and food and beverage services. This opportunity enables them to gain independence and build confidence while stepping out and participating actively in our shared community. Surpluses from YMCA International House are channelled to sustain various YMCA community service programmes.



"Chris is very diligent in his tasks and capable of working independently. I hope to guide and coach him so that he can rise up to be a supervisor in the future."

> Jamaiah Bte Jaffar Supervisor, YMCA International House



"Working at Y Café has given Yan Tong a sense of belonging as he receives the staff's acceptance of him. He is passionate about his work and enjoys the social interaction with his colleagues and hostel guests."

> Tay Chor Yong Mother of Zhang Yan Tong, Staff at Y Café

## At a glance



87% occupancy rate



**69,709** guests stayed at YMCA International House SPONSORS





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Bringing people together through shared interests



# INTERNATIONAL Y'S MEN'S CLUB OF SINGAPORE (ALPHA CHAPTER)

The International Y's Men's Club of Singapore (Alpha Chapter) is affiliated to the YMCA of Singapore and supports its community service and fundraising activities. Membership is open to like-minded people and all YMCA members who have a desire to serve the community and make the world a better place to live in through volunteerism.

For the tenth year running, in partnership with Parkinson's Society of Singapore, the Club organised monthly karaoke sessions held at YMCA of Singapore for people with Parkinson. These sessions improve the lives of participants and is also a platform for music lovers to have fun and socialise through singing.

During the year, the Club supported YMCA by volunteering at YMCA Flag Day 2017, YMCA Proms @ the Park 2017, YMCA Silver Fiesta 2017 and adopting SARAH Seniors Activity Centre through Y Outing. The Club brought the wheelchairbound elderly for monthly grocery shopping and meals and hosted lunch during Chinese New Year, Mid-Autumn Festival and Christmas, bringing much cheer to the elderly.

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# Y M C A TOASTMASTERS CLUB

The YMCA Toastmasters Club aims to provide a supportive and positive learning experience in which members are empowered to develop communication and leadership skills, resulting in greater self-confidence and personal growth.

Toastmasters welcome speech contests like the occasional marathons where they build their skills to greater heights. The International Speech and Table Topics Contest in February as well as Humorous Speech and Evaluations Contest in August have always been the club's showcase of excellent speech delivery.

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# S I N G A P O R E MANDARIN (YMCA) TOASTMASTERS CLUB

The Singapore Mandarin (YMCA) Toastmasters Club was chartered to serve the needs of English speaking toastmasters who want to practise their Mandarin in front of an audience and also help Mandarin speaking toastmasters to overcome the fear of public speaking.

As one of the few Mandarin toastmasters clubs with a younger demographic membership base, the Singapore Mandarin (YMCA) Toastmasters Club constantly adopt new ideas to keep its meetings refreshingly innovative and relevant to its members. Passion to learn, the desire to share, fellowship - these are the elements that make each of the club meetings memorable.

## Jubilee

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## **Fundraising Events**



## 18<sup>™</sup> YMCA CHARITY GOLF @ SINGAPORE ISLAND COUNTRY CLUB

## 5 MAY 2017

Over \$302,000 raised for YMCA-Lim Kim San Volunteers Programme



## YMCA FLAG DAY

## 18 MARCH 2017

Over \$65,000 raised by 645 volunteers for YMCA-Tan Chin Tuan Community Service Programmes



## YMCA GIVING GALA @ ORCHARD PARADE HOTEL

## 26 OCTOBER 2017

Over \$297,000 raised for YMCA-Tan Chin Tuan Community Service Programmes

## **International Fellowship & Relations**

YMCA of Singapore establishes and maintains harmonious relations with fellow YMCA movements in the region. YMCA of Singapore is a member of the Asia and Pacific Alliance of YMCAs (APAY), a federation of YMCA movements in 27 countries and territories in the Asia-Pacific. YMCA of Singapore is also a part of a network of nine Twinning YMCAs in the region.

## February 2017



## **Uni-Y Study Mission 2017**

The Uni-Y Singapore Council went to Victoria YMCA from 18 to 21 February 2017 to learn about programme strengthening, marketing & publicity, volunteer retention and alumni engagement.

## March 2017



## **Executive Committee and Related Meetings of** the Asia and Pacific Alliance of YMCAs

Immediate Past President Mr Eric Teng, Board members Mr Albert Ching, Mr Peter Tay and Mr Stephen Loh represented YMCA of Singapore at the Executive Committee and Related Meetings of the Asia and Pacific Alliance of YMCAs which took place from 7 to 10 March 2017 at the Chinese YMCA of Hong Kong.

## April 2017



## Visit by Osaka YMCA International School

YMCA of Singapore hosted Ms Kaoru Saito, Administrative Manager and Dr John Botting, Science & Mathematics Teacher from Osaka YMCA International School, who were here on an exchange visit with five students from 17 to 21 April 2017.

## May 2017



## 5<sup>th</sup> East Asia YMCA Urban Network (EAYUN)

Organised by Osaka YMCA and hosted by YMCA of Singapore from 15 to 18 May 2017, the 5th East Asia YMCA Urban Network (EAYUN) saw delegates from nine YMCAs gather to discuss issues that focused on youth development and the elderly.

## June 2017



## **Uni-Y Internships**

Seven Uni-Y members embarked on internships with Chinese YMCA of Hong Kong, Osaka YMCA, Tainan YMCA in the months of June, July, August and December. The interns were involved in handling matters from administration to events planning. Four interns from Chinese YMCA of Hong Kong and Tainan YMCA were attached to YMCA of Singapore's Community Services and Member' Services departments, helping to run programmes.

## July 2017



## Joint Directors Meeting with YMCA of Shanghai Board representatives from YMCA of Singapore and YMCA Shanghai convened for a joint directors meeting at YMCA of Singapore to strengthen relations and discuss the Dujiangyan project on 22 July 2017.



## YMCA of Singapore Hosts YMCA of Pangasinan

On 20 July 2017, Mr Lo Chee Wen, General Secretary, YMCA of Singapore hosted Mr Edilberto Abalos, President of YMCA of Pangasinan, who hoped to collaborate towards signing a Community Service partnership.

## August 2017



## **Osaka Global Youth Conference**

Three Uni-Y members participated in Osaka's Global Youth Conference from 7 to 11 August 2017. The conference was a platform for youths aged 15 - 25 years to interact and discuss current affairs issues.

## October 2017



## Visit by KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Legislature & Gauteng Provincial Legislature

YMCA of Singapore welcomed delegates from the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Legislature & Gauteng Provincial Legislature on 13 October 2017. As part of their Education Joint Study Tour in Singapore, the delegates visited the YMCA Project Bridge Youth Centre and had an exchange session in YMCA of Singapore.

## November 2017



YMCA of Singapore's Celebrates 115th Anniversary

On 9 November 2017, YMCA of Singapore celebrated its 115th Anniversary with a Thanksgiving Service and Dinner and was blessed with the presence of our extended YMCA family members, who travelled specially from overseas and our Singapore partners who made time to share our joy in this momentous occasion.

## December 2017



## Visit by Tainan YMCA

YMCA of Singapore hosted our counterparts from Tainan YMCA on 7 December 2017 who were here to learn more about YMCA's work in Singapore.

## Thanksgiving

#### **CORPORATIONS & ORGANISATIONS**

\$200,000 AND ABOVE Citi Foundation Barclays Bank PLC

\$100,000 AND ABOVE Estate of Ng Teng Fong NTUC Fairprice Foundation Limited

\$50,000 AND ABOVE Lee Foundation Tote Board

## \$10,000 AND ABOVE

AP Oil International Limited Credit Suisse AG DCG Capital Private Limited Far East SOHO Pte Ltd GIC Private Limited Megaworld Land (Singapore) Pte Ltd Mitsubishi Electric Asia Pte Ltd Nordic Group Limited Pei Hwa Foundation Limited

## \$5,000 AND ABOVE

Boardroom Limited PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Propnex International Pte Ltd ST Telemedia Community Foundation of Singapore Thian Sung Construction Pte Ltd

## \$3,000 AND ABOVE

Access World Logistics (Singapore) Pte Ltd Arrowcrest Technologies Pte Ltd Citibank N.A., Singapore CMIA Capital Partners Pte Ltd Legend Shipping Pte Ltd Lum Chang Holdings Ltd SINGAPORE POOLS (PRIVATE) LIMITED Straits Real Estate Pte Ltd

## \$1,000 AND ABOVE

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#### \$500 AND ABOVE

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#### \$100 AND ABOVE

Eye Centre and Surgery Integer Alpha Pte Ltd

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Catherine Low Ah Toh Chan Lui Ming Ivan Chew Gek Khim Chew Kwee San Eric Teng Heng Chew Hang I H M/Loh K I P Jason Ho Leslie Wong Kin Wah Lo Chee Wen Loh Sur Yong Stephen Ooi Boon Hoe Tan Guan Hiang Wee Wei Ling

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#### \$3,000 AND ABOVE

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Albert Ching Liang Heng Casey Tan Khai Hee Chang Rosana Kung-Ling Chow York Lim Goh Tze Rui Ray Ho Chee Hon

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## CORPORATIONS & ORGANISATIONS (IN-KIND)

**Aegis Insurance Services** Alliance Employment Pte. Ltd Asia Pacific Breweries (S) Pte Ltd Bacco Wines Pte Ltd Big Fish Golf International Pte Ltd Bintan Lagoon Resort Bio Aesthetic Laser Clinic Pte. Ltd. **BNL Services Pte Ltd** Boncafé International Pte Ltd **ByGrace Management** Canon Singapore Pte Ltd Carlton Hotel Singapore **Champions Golf** Daimler South East Asia Pte Ltd (Mercedes-Benz Singapore) East-West International Food Pte Ltd EdeS Spa **Esquire Marketing Services Pte Ltd** 

Estee Lauder Companies Inc. **Everglades Pte Ltd** Expat Kitchen Pte Ltd Fayyaz Travels Pte Ltd FedEx Fraser and Neave, Limited **GIC Private Limited** Green Care Services Pte Ltd Guava Amenities Pte Ltd H Concept Asia Pte Ltd Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc. Singapore Branch Honan Insurance Group Asia Hugo Boss South East Asia Pte. Ltd. Integrative Physio Pte Ltd K&K Labs Pte Ltd (Bio Royale) Kao Singapore Private Limited Keppel Land Hospitality Management Laguna National Golf and Country Club Lee Say Poultry Industrial Melchers Time Pte Ltd Mitsubishi Electric Asia Pte Ltd Naili Print Media Pte ltd NeoAsia (S) Pte Ltd New Moon (Goh Joo Hin Pte Ltd) NTUC Fairprice Co-operative Ltd Orchid Laundry Regent Media Pte. Ltd. Sembawang Country Club Singapore Island Country Club Singapore Pools (Private) Limited Singapore Turf Club Spa D'or Sunnyhills Delights Pte. Ltd. Tanglin Academy Private Limited TaylorMade-adidas Golf Singapore The Blue Ginger Restaurant The Food Bank Singapore The French Cellar Pte. Ltd. The Fullerton Hotel Singapore The Ultimate Pte. Ltd. University of the West of Scotland YG Marketing Pte. Ltd.

## **INDIVIDUALS (IN-KIND)**

Annie Lin Chew Kwee San Gracelyn Ho Lay Peng Ivan Koh Leslie Wong Kin Wah Violet Oon

## **Corporate Governance**

| Description  | Code ID  | Compliance  |
|--|--|---|
| OVERNANCE  |  |   |
| Induction and orientation are provided to incoming Board members on joining the Board.   | 1.1.2  | Complied  |
| Are there Board members holding staff appointments?  |  | No  |
| There is a maximum limit of four consecutive years for the<br>Treasurer position (or equivalent, e.g. Finance Committee<br>Chairman or person on Board responsible for overseeing the<br>finances of the charity). | 1.1.7  | Complied  |
| Should the charity not have an appointed Board member, it will be taken that the Chairman oversees the finances.   |  |   |
| All Board members submit themselves for re-nomination and re-appointment, at least once every three years.   | 1.1.8  | Not Complied  |
| Under YMCA's Constitution, Board members submit themselves for re-nomination and reappointment once every four years.  |  |   |
| The Board conducts regular self-evaluation to assess its performance and effectiveness once per term or every three years, whichever is shorter.   | 1.1.12   | Complied  |
| Are there Board member(s) who have served for more than 10 consecutive years?  |  | No  |
| There are documented terms of reference for the Board and each of its Board committees.  | 1.2.1  | Complied  |
| T OF INTEREST  |  |   |
| There are documented procedures for Board members and staff to declare actual or potential conflicts of interest to the Board at the earliest opportunity.   | 2.1  | Complied  |
| Board members do not vote or participate in decision-<br>making on matters where they have a conflict of interest.   | 2.4  | Complied  |
| IC PLANNING  |  |   |
| The Board periodically reviews and approves the strategic<br>plan for the charity to ensure that the activities are in line<br>with its objectives.  | 3.2.2  | Complied  |
| There is a documented plan to develop the capacity and capability of the charity and the Board monitors the progress of this plan.   | 3.2.4  | Complied  |
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| HUMAN   | RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT  |         |            |
| 13      | The Board approves documented human resource policies for staff.  | 5.1     | Complied   |
| 14      | There is a documented Code of Conduct for Board members, staff and volunteers (where applicable) which is approved by the Board.  | 5.3     | Complied   |
| 15      | There are processes for regular supervision, appraisal and professional development of staff.   | 5.5     | Complied   |
|         | Are there volunteers serving in the charity?  |         | Yes        |
| 16      | There are volunteer management policies in place for volunteers.  | 5.7     | Complied   |
| FINANCI | AL MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS   |         |            |
| 17      | There is a documented policy to seek Board's approval for<br>any loans, donations, grants or financial assistance provided<br>by the charity which are not part of its core charitable<br>programmes. | 6.1.1   | Complied   |
| 18      | The Board ensures internal controls for financial matters in key areas are in place with documented procedures.   | 6.1.2   | Complied   |
| 19      | The Board ensures reviews on the charity's internal controls, processes, key programmes and events are regularly conducted.   | 6.1.3   | Complied   |
| 20      | The Board ensures that there is a process to identify, regularly monitor and review the charity's key risks.  | 6.1.4   | Complied   |
| 21      | The Board approves an annual budget for the charity's plans and regularly monitors its expenditure.   | 6.2.1   | Complied   |
|         | Does the charity invest its reserves, including fixed deposits?   |         | Yes        |
| 22      | The charity has a documented investment policy approved by the Board.   | 6.4.3   | Complied   |
| FUNDRA  | ISING PRACTICES   |         |            |
|         | Did the charity receive cash donations (solicited or unsolicited) during the year?  |         | Yes        |
| 23      | All collections received (solicited or unsolicited) are properly accounted for and promptly deposited by the charity.   | 7.2.2   | Complied   |
|         | Did the charity receive donations-in-kind during the year?  |         | Yes        |
| 24      | All donations-in-kind received are properly recorded and accounted for by the charity.  | 7.2.3   | Complied   |

| S/N                         | Description   | Code ID | Compliance |  |  |
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| DISCLOSURE AND TRANSPARENCY |   |         |            |  |  |
| 25                          | The charity discloses in its annual report:<br>i) Number of Board meetings in the year; and<br>ii) Individual Board member's attendance.  | 8.2     | Complied   |  |  |
|                             | Are Board members remunerated for their Board services?   |         | No         |  |  |
|                             | Does the charity employ paid staff?   |         | Yes        |  |  |
| 28                          | No staff is involved in setting his or her own remuneration.  | 2.2     | Complied   |  |  |
| 29                          | The charity discloses in its annual report:   | 8.4     | Complied   |  |  |
|                             | i) The total annual remuneration (including any<br>remuneration received in its subsidiaries), for each of its<br>three highest paid staff, who each receives remuneration<br>exceeding \$100,000, in bands of \$100,000; and |         |            |  |  |
|                             | <ul> <li>ii) If any of the three highest paid staff also serves on the<br/>Board of the charity.</li> </ul>   |         |            |  |  |
|                             | OR  |         |            |  |  |
|                             | The charity discloses that none of its staff receives more than \$100,000 in annual remuneration each.  |         |            |  |  |
| 30                          | The charity discloses the number of paid staff who are close<br>members of the family of the Executive Head or Board<br>Members, who each receives remuneration exceeding<br>\$50,000 during the year, in bands of \$100,000. | 8.5     | Complied   |  |  |
|                             | OR  |         |            |  |  |
|                             | The charity discloses that there is no paid staff who are<br>close members of the family of the Executive Head or Board<br>Member, who receives more than \$50,000 during the year.   |         |            |  |  |
| PUBLIC IMAGE                |   |         |            |  |  |
| 31                          | The charity has a documented communication policy on the release of information about the charity and its activities across all media platforms.  | 9.2     | Complied   |  |  |

| BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD              |            |                              |            |  |  |
|--|------------|------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| Name   | Attendance | Name                         | Attendance |  |  |
| Mr Leslie Wong Kin Wah<br>President          | 6/6        | Ms Koh Shaw Luan             | 4/6        |  |  |
| Mr Albert Ching Liang Heng<br>Vice President | 5/6        | Ms Loo Tze Lui               | 4/6        |  |  |
| Mr Ooi Boon Hoe<br>Vice President            | 3/6        | Mr Thomas Pramotedham        | 6/6        |  |  |
| Mr Bryan Tan Suan Tiu<br>Hon. Secretary      | 4/6        | Mrs Magdalene Sik Swee Hiang | 3/6        |  |  |
| Mr Tan Eng Beng<br>Hon. Treasurer            | 5/6        | Mr Tam Chee Chong            | 1/6        |  |  |
| Mr Samuel Chan Wei Mun                       | 4/6        | Ms Cynthia Tan Guan Hiang    | 4/6        |  |  |
| Mr Ho Chee Hon                               | 4/6        | Mr Teo Eng Cheong            | 3/6        |  |  |
| Mr Steven Chia Oon Seet                      | 4/6        | Mr Teo Zi-Ming               | 3/6        |  |  |

# **Policies**

YMCA of Singapore is governed by the Constitution of the Association and has complied with the Code of Governance for Charities and Institutions of Public Character.

## **BOARD GOVERNANCE**

#### **OFFICE BEARERS**

At the first meeting of the Board of Directors (BOD) held after the Annual General Meeting, a President, two Vice Presidents, an Honorary Secretary, and an Honorary Treasurer of the Association are elected from among the members of the BOD for a period of one year or until their successors are elected. No person is elected as the Honorary Treasurer or otherwise hold the office of Honorary Treasurer for more than 4 consecutive terms and such person shall only be eligible for re-election as Honorary Treasurer after a lapse of at least 1 year.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee ("ExCo") comprises the President, two Vice Presidents, an Honorary Secretary, and an Honorary Treasurer and at least one other Director. It has the executive powers to administer the affairs of the Association in accordance with its Constitution, Rules and Regulations and the Board's policy and provides guidance and oversight to the Management on the operations of the Association. These include the setting of policies on operational matters and approval of expenditures within the financial limits provided for in the Chart of Authority ("COA") in the normal course of business. ExCo keeps the BOD fully informed on the affairs of the Association and where appropriate, refer certain matters to the BOD for approval.

#### HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

There are systems for regular supervision, appraisal and professional development of staff and a system to address grievances and resolve conflicts. The HR department is advised by a Staff Committee commissioned by the Board. The Committee reviews and advises on all HR policies relating to staff compensation, benefits and strategies to attract, retain and motivate staff, on the receipt of recommendations from the General Secretary. The Committee also advises on talent identification and development programmes for staff and succession planning of senior management staff.

#### WHISTLE BLOWING POLICY

The YMCA Whistle Blowing policy aims to provide an avenue for employees and external parties to raise concerns and offer reassurance that they will be protected from victimisation for whistle blowing in good faith.

This policy covers issues where the following may be suspected:

- 1. Corruption;
- 2. Acts of fraud;
- 3. Theft and/misuse of the Association's properties, assets or resources; or
- 4. Breach of laws.

No staff is involved in setting his or her own remuneration. Staff remuneration is subject to remuneration guidelines approved by the BOD.

The Association discloses in its annual report the annual remuneration of its three highest paid staff who each receives remuneration exceeding \$100,000, in bands of \$100,000, or the fact that none of its top three highest paid staff receives more than \$100,000.

## FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND CONTROLS

The BOD ensures that documented procedures are in place for financial matters in key areas. The BOD also ensures reviews and enhances monitoring on controls, processes, key programmes and events.

The BOD reviews and approves an annual budget for the Association's plans and regularly monitors financial performance.

The financial statements of the Association are drawn up in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS").

The Association discloses its reserves policy in the annual report.

The Association does not make any loans.

#### **RESERVES POLICY**

YMCA targets for three years of operating reserves with a minimum of one year from donations and surpluses generated through our social enterprises. These reserves will ensure that our ability to serve the community is not subjected to the vagaries of the economy.

The restricted funds and their purposes are as follows:

- I. Building Asset Capitalisation Reserve to match amounts on capital projects undertaken with past donations designated for that purpose. This fund will be amortised in line with the depreciation policy of the underlying capital projects.
- II. Disaster Relief Fund to support the volunteer relief and rehabilitation works undertaken by the Association in Sri Lanka, following the 2004 Indian Ocean Earthquake & Tsunami.
- III. YMCA-Seet Hiong Kiat & Kuah Siew Eng Education Funds to fund tertiary education for overseas needy students.
- IV. ISP Project Fund set up for the International Service Programmes (ISP) and it is to be used for future ISP projects.
- V. Project Bridge Fund supports Project Bridge programmes which aim to provide personal development and counselling for early school leavers and youth-at-risk.
- VI. Rebuilding Community @ Dujiangyan Fund set up for the purpose of supporting YMCA's rebuilding programmes in Sichuan, China.

VII. ITE Elevate Fund – to engage, equip and empower disadvantaged students from ITE towards completing their education and improving their prospects for employment or future education. This programme contributes to an increase in overall resilience to cope with stresses and reduction of risk behaviours for youth who are at risk.

YMCA has also other designated and unrestricted funds set aside for various community programmes listed in the Notes to the Financial Statements. YMCA has also designated a percentage of our annual surpluses from our social enterprises for large scale asset renewal as our capital replacement fund.

## **INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

The Investment Committee is governed by the Investment Charter and the Investment Policy which are constantly reviewed to allow for flexibility according to the market environment. It is appointed by the BOD to exercise prudence and good stewardship in relation to the investment of the Association's funds to look into generating higher returns in the long run with a reasonable amount of risk.

During the financial year, the Association appointed a professional asset manager to invest and manage the surplus from the general funds. The Asset Manager has been given full discretionary mandate subject to investment guidelines, and reports the investment holdings and performance to Management and Investment Committee on a regular basis. The details of the investments are listed in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

#### **DISCLOSURE AND TRANSPARENCY**

There is a Conflict of Interest policy endorsed by the Board. Annually, the Board Directors and Management Staff make declarations of actual or potential conflicts of interest to the Board.

It is compulsory for all Board members to make annual declaration of interests, to be signed and acknowledged by the President of the Association and presented to the Board.

At committee meetings, the General Secretary of the Association will announce potential conflict of interest and Board members who are faced with a conflict situation are excluded from decision making processes relating to the matter.

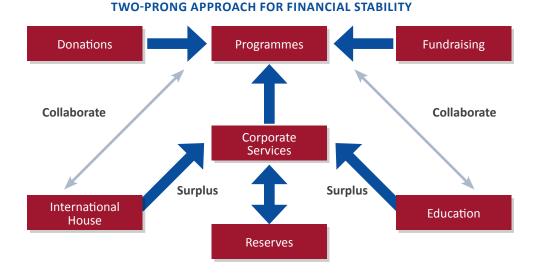
## **FUNDRAISING PRACTICES**

The Association has established guidelines on fundraising. These guidelines are based on the best practices set out by the National Council of Social Service and the Charity Council.

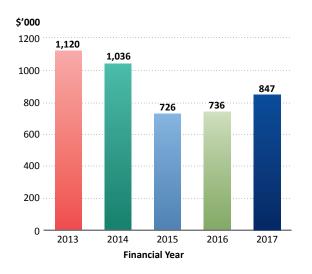
Our fundraising policy is to raise funds for specific community programmes and never for general purposes.

The committee for each fundraising event consists of volunteers and is supported by staff. The donors are informed of our objectives and targets.

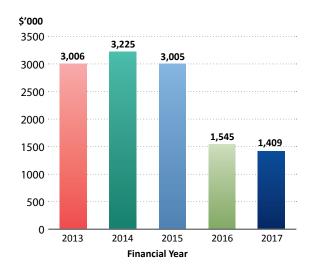
The operating surpluses of social enterprises in YMCA International House and YMCA Education Services, as well as the support of regular donors and fund raising, has allowed YMCA to adopt a two-prong approach to achieving financial stability.



## NET SURPLUSES FROM DONATION AND FUNDRAISING



## **NET SURPLUSES FROM SOCIAL ENTERPRISES**



## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

For the year ended 31 December 2017

The full audited financial statements can be viewed at the YMCA of Singapore's corporate website www.ymca.org.sg.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

|  | 2017    | 2016    |
|--|---------|---------|
| STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION            | S\$'000 | S\$'000 |
| Non-Current Assets                         | 8,607   | 12,392  |
| Current Assets                             | 26,779  | 21,599  |
| Total Assets                               | 35,386  | 33,991  |
| Total Liabilities                          | (5,238) | (4,129) |
| TOTAL FUNDS                                | 30,148  | 29,862  |
| STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME          |         |         |
| Revenue:                                   |         |         |
| Education                                  | 13,151  | 12,585  |
| International House                        | 5,826   | 5,894   |
| Membership and Corporate Activities        | 406     | 446     |
| Community Services                         | 567     | 552     |
| Volunteer & Youth Development Programmes   | 537     | 388     |
| International Service & Outdoor Programmes | 2,408   | 2,296   |
| Donations & Fund Raising Events            | 1,049   | 863     |
| Other Income                               | 983     | 818     |
|  | 24,927  | 23,842  |
| Costs                                      |         |         |
| Education                                  | 10,764  | 10,039  |
| International House                        | 6,804   | 6,894   |
| Membership and Corporate Activities        | 710     | 742     |
| Community Services                         | 1,874   | 1,876   |
| Volunteer & Youth Development Programmes   | 975     | 892     |
| International Service & Outdoor Programmes | 2,458   | 2,314   |
| Donations & Fund Raising Events            | 202     | 127     |
| Other Operating Expenses                   | 836     | 662     |
| Non-Operating Expenses                     | 168     | 131     |
|  | 24,791  | 23,677  |
| TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME                 | 136     | 165     |

## STATEMENT OF CASHFLOW

| Net cash effect of operating activities     | 1,316   | 481    |
|---|---------|--------|
| Net cash effect of investing activities     | (9,722) | 298    |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents     | (8,406) | 779    |
| Cash and cash equivalents as at 1 January   | 19,898  | 19,118 |
| Cash and cash equivalents as at 31 December | 11,492  | 19,898 |

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