

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF Connecting Seniors Enriching Lives

> LIONS BEFRIENDERS ANNUAL REPORT 2019/2020

OUR VISION

A nation where every senior is active, healthy and happy.

OUR MISSION

To provide friendship and care for seniors to age in place with community participation, enabling them to enjoy meaningful and enriching lives.

OUR OBJECTIVES

- Relieve the loneliness, isolation and boredom of lonely seniors
- Facilitate integration of lonely seniors into the community
- Facilitate empowering of our lonely seniors
- Promote community participation in caring for the seniors
- Promote active and positive aging
- Encourage lonely seniors to age in place with community support

OUR CORE VALUES C.I.R.C.L.E.

COMMITMENT

We pledge to give our best to en<mark>rich the lives o</mark>f those we touch

INTEGRITY

We uphold trust and accountability in all we do

RESPECT

We honour the individual's rights and beliefs

COMPASSION

We serve with kindness and openness

LEADERSHIP

We inspire and empower change for a better future

EMPATHY

We listen, we feel, we care

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* All photos in this annual report were taken before and after the Circuit Breaker period.

Chairman's Report



PDG Anthony Tay PPA, PBM

Dear fellow Lions, Befrienders, Partners & Supporters of Lions Befrienders (LB),

The COVID-19 pandemic has left no one untouched. I am thankful to our many volunteers, corporate and individual donors, community partners and fellow Lions who have stepped up their support and united together to help our vulnerable seniors stay connected and cared for under difficult circumstances. I am also heartened by how our staff have adapted well and quickly during this critical period so that LB continues to protect and serve our beneficiaries.

LB has risen to the COVID-19 challenges, successfully turned crisis into opportunities and regained its leadership position in preventive eldercare. LB implemented innovative solutions ensuring our seniors received the best care possible in this trying period especially when protective measures were initiated by our government.

LB will continue to remain prepared for more challenges whilst holding true to its mission of *Connecting Seniors and Enriching Lives*.

CONTINUED CARE

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF CONNECTING SENIORS AND ENRICHING LIVES

Launched as a Lions District Programme in 1995, LB's initiatives and services have and continued to benefit more than 86,000 lonely and socially isolated seniors since inception. LB understands the need to keep our seniors holistically engaged by building up our social infrastructure in tandem with physical infrastructure, to enable our seniors to age confidently and gracefully in place.

PROVISION OF CARE DURING COVID-19 AND CIRCUIT BREAKER

We salute all our frontline staff of essential services who had continued to care for our seniors in the face of the uncertainty and risk exposure to themselves and their families. 50% of our programmes are whitelisted as essential services during Circuit Breaker (CB).



"...remaining prepared for more challenges whilst holding true to its mission..." We also thank our staff who worked round the clock from home, making minimum twice weekly telephone calls to ensure all seniors are safe and updated with the latest advisories. When allowed by authorities, staff and volunteers do physical checks on seniors who are at risk to themselves and others. When seniors cannot be contacted, the staff will make relevant checks with hospitals and nursing homes and do physical searches, if needed.

During this CB period, LB staff provided intervention in attempted suicides and to frail seniors who collapsed at home.

The love and care shown by our staff and volunteers have strengthened the bonds and trust with our seniors. LB will continue to ensure that our seniors are well-adjusted socially, emotionally, mentally and physically to the new post-CB life.

REOPENING OF SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTRES (SACS) IN PHASE 1

LB was one of the very few social service agencies to be approved by the Ministry of Health (MOH) and Agency for Integrated Care (AIC) for re-opening on the first day of the lifting of the CB on 2-6-2020. Our staff trained on all operational steps necessary to promote safety measures had facilitated smooth re-opening of all LB SACs. The resumption of activities for the at-risk seniors was critical as the CB had led to a decline in the emotional and mental health of seniors.

RESTRUCTURING PROGRAMMES & SERVICES

LB Community Outreach Services was restructured to be in line with AIC's new integrated eldercare model and the person-centred approach supported by National Council of Social Service (NCSS) with the aim of further strengthening LB's leadership in the preventive eldercare sector. This restructuring will allow us to identify gaps in LB's spectrum of integrated eldercare services and improve service quality to meet the evolving needs of seniors. We have streamlined the organisational structure to increase effectiveness, efficiency and achieve its strategic goals.

CENTRALISING PAYMENT SYSTEM

To improve efficiency and reduce costs, LB implemented the centralized payment system to standardise payment processes and provide effective payment control. In the year ahead, we will centralise our procurement system to reduce overhead costs, enhance the support of business continuity and lead to more efficient resource planning.

PARTNERSHIPS

LB CARE CONNECT @ QUEENSTOWN

LB was awarded a 3-year pilot project - LB Care Connect @ Queenstown by AIC at national level. With this programme, LB will establish a robust and integrated community care system where seniors can access a range of active ageing and preventive health programmes in the neighbourhood with LB as the touchpoint.

PUBLIC AWARENESS THROUGH EXTENSIVE MEDIA COVERAGE

During this crisis period LB received huge media and social media coverages over its initiatives on mitigating the effects of social isolation and helping seniors. LB secured over 60 media coverages through radio (CNA938, Love 97.2, Money FM 89.3), newspapers (The Straits Times, Lianhe Zaobao, TODAY) and TV interviews (CNA, Channel 8, Channel 5, Suria, Vasantham). These coverages have lifted LB's profile pervasively and positively, while encouraging our staff and instilling pride in their work as they continue to serve the vulnerable seniors in our community.

FUNDINGS

With a volatile economic outlook due to COVID-19, LB faced cancellation of physical fundraising events and reductions in donations as corporations, foundations and other organisations tightened their budgets. There was a 26% drop in donations.

Adversity breeds altruism. We are very grateful to our generous and faithful donors, both corporations and individuals who have reached out to our seniors with both monetary and in-kind donations, which had helped our seniors overcome this very difficult period. And with additional funding from AIC, Community Chest, NCSS and other government agencies, LB was able to continue delivering critical services to the vulnerable seniors during COVID-19 and ensure that their needs are met.

LB MOVES AHEAD WITH TECHNOLOGY AND CAPACITY & CAPABILITY BUILDING

LB VIRTUAL BEFRIENDING @ SAC

COVID-19 presented a window of opportunity to serve our seniors differently, getting them to adopt modern technology and taking up new skills in order to continue engaging with others online.

LB Virtual Befriending @ SAC was launched with the partnership of DBS Bank. It is Singapore's largestever virtual befriending volunteer initiative. 1,000 DBS employees engaged 1,000 LB seniors through virtual conversations, sing-along sessions, simple home gardening projects and online games – offering our seniors dedicated attention and cognitive development as they stay connected and build friendships.

EMBARKING ON TELEMEDICINE

To allow 6,000 LB seniors to have continued access to essential primary health services during the COVID-19 pandemic, LB secured partnerships with 7 public hospitals (AH, CGH, KTPH, NUH, SGH, SKGH and TTSH) to provide telemedicine services so that our seniors can safely receive timely medical care in the comfort of their own homes or at LB's SACs.

MOVING SENIORS TOWARDS DIGITALISATION

As Singapore moves towards more digitalisation in our daily lives, LB recognised the need to ensure our seniors staying in rental flats are not left behind. Through collaborations with Infocomm Media Development Authority, LB will help all seniors to be familiarised with digital technology, so that they can lead engaged, informed and fulfilling lives via the Seniors Go Digital programme. AIC and CareLine have also partnered LB to distribute specially configured mobile phones for seniors. To assist seniors to have access to the knowledge, training and support to use this technology, LB will work with Maybank's staff volunteers to conduct digital clinics for our seniors so that they can carry out their daily tasks and social activities from their homes. With the availability of these phones, our seniors will have a peace of mind knowing that care is just a call away.

CONTRIBUTING TO ELDERCARE SECTOR THROUGH KNOWLEDGE SHARING

LB was invited to share our knowledge, practices and experiences during COVID-19 and the actions our society can undertake to better support the seniors through webinars organised by AIC, NCSS and other non-profit organisations.

HAVE CONTINUED CAPABILITY & CAPACITY BUILDING OF VOLUNTEERS

By 2021, LB's new Volunteer Training Centre at Block 163 Stirling Road will be established. It will be a place for volunteers to bond and attend trainings. With enhanced capability and capacity building of volunteers, LB aims to improve the quality and consistency of our services towards our seniors, increase awareness, advocate greater understanding and empathy in the larger community towards eldercare needs.

The effects of the COVID-19 situation are far from over and as we adjust to a new post COVID-19 world order, our hearts are much warmed by the many donors, sponsors, volunteers and partners whose outpouring of kindness provided moments of reprieve for our seniors during this tough time.

I am pleased to inform that LB currently has members from 54 Lions Clubs sitting on various committees. Thank you for being a part of LB's community and serving together to develop LB be a force in preventive eldercare services. Together, we can and will weather the storm and emerge stronger.

On behalf of LB, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the MOH, Ministry of Social & Family Development, AIC, NCSS and all social care partners for giving LB much needed support during this crisis period. Without your partnership and support, LB will not be where it is today.

Organisational Structure

(As at 31 March 2020)



- with effect from 1 July 2020.
- ² DED Karen Wee took over Befriending Services and Volunteer Management & Training with effect from 1 July 2020.

Management Board



PDG Anthony Tay PPA, PBM



Lion Wendeline Chong



Lion William Loh



Lion Alex Lim



Lion Ivan Ong



Lion Nancy Lye



Lion Daniel Ong





Lion Steven Goh





Lion Dr. Zhang Lei



Lion Ng Leng Choo



Lion Sarah Teo



Lion Joseph Low



Lion Heng Mong Yong

PCC Lim Hon Chee PBM



Lion Prof. Tjen Hian Ka

Lion Seet Kok Heng







Ms. Evelyn Goh

Lion Sally Ang



Lion Loh Yan Poh



Lion Francis Ng PBM





Lion Terence Lim



Lion Melvin Liu



DG Victor Yip



1st VDG Lesa Gan



2nd VDG Ho Sum Kwong





Lion Doreen Lee

















EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 1. PDG Anthony Tay PPA, PBM Chairman
- 2. Lion William Loh Immediate Past Chairman
- **3. Lion Alex Lim** 1st Vice Chairman

4. Lion Ivan Ong 2nd Vice Chairman Chairperson, Programmes & Services Subcommittee

5. Lion Daniel Ong Honorary Secretary Chairperson, Strategic Planning Subcommittee Chairperson, Research & Development Subcommittee

6. Lion Wendeline Chong Assistant Honorary Secretary Chairperson, Befriending Training Subcommittee

7. Lion Joseph Lui Honorary Treasurer Chairperson, Finance Subcommittee

8. Lion Lawrence Sew Assistant Honorary Treasurer Member, Finance Subcommittee Member, Befriending Training Subcommittee

DIRECTORS (ORDINARY)

9. Lion Nancy Lye Director Member, Facilities Management Subcommittee

10. Lion Jennifer Jern Director Chairperson, Human Resource Subcommittee

11. Lion Steven Goh

Director Member, Community Outreach Services Subcommittee

12. Lion Prof. Tjen Hian Ka

Director Chairperson, Media & Public Relations Subcommittee Chairperson, Tender Subcommittee

13. Lion Dr. Zhang Lei

Director Chairperson, Home Personal Care (Medical) Subcommittee

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST POLICY

If a member of the Management Board is directly or indirectly interested in any contract, proposed contract or other matter and is present at a meeting of the Lions Befrienders or of the Management Board, at which the contract or other matter is the subject of consideration, the member shall, at the meeting and as soon as practicable after it commences, disclose the fact, and shall not thereafter be present during the consideration or discussion of, and shall not vote on any question with respect to that contract or other related matter.

DIRECTOR (CO-OPTED)

14. Lion Ng Leng Choo Chairperson, Audit Subcommittee

15. Lion Doreen Lee Chairperson, Appointment & Nomination Subcommittee Chairperson, Community Outreach Services Subcommittee

16. Lion Heng Mong Yong Chairperson, Facilities Management Subcommittee

17. Lion Seet Kok Heng Chairperson, Community Engagement & Partnerships Subcommittee

18. Lion Michael Huang Chairperson, Community Relations Subcommittee

19. Lion Sarah Teo Chairperson, Volunteer Management Subcommittee

20. Lion Ying Wai Lin Chairperson, Constitution & By-laws Subcommittee

21. PCC Lim Hon Chee Рвм Member, Constitution & By-laws Subcommittee

22. Ms. Evelyn Goh Co-opted Member

DIRECTORS (CO-OPTED AND SAC/SCN/BFD PRESIDENTS)

23. Lion Loh Yan Poh President, Ang Mo Kio Senior Activity Centre

24. Lion Francis Ng рвм President, Bendemeer Senior Activity Centre

25. Lion Joseph Low President, Clementi/Bukit Timah Senior Cluster Network

26. Lion Sally Ang President, Queenstown Senior Cluster Network

- 27. Lion Terence Lim President, Tampines/Changi Senior Cluster Network
- **28. Lion Melvin Liu** President, Befriending Services

EX-OFFICIO (From 1 July 2020)

29. DG Victor Yip District Governor

30. 1st VDG Lesa Gan 1st Vice District Governor

31. 2nd VDG Ho Sum Kwong 2nd Vice District Governor

Ang Mo Kio SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTRE

Date of Appointment: 8 January 2020



Mr. Darryl David Chief Advisor



Mr. Chandrasekaran Pillai РВМ 2nd Vice President



Lion Shirley Ow Director



PDG Anthony Tay PPA, PBM LB Chairman, 2nd Advisor



Lion Jackson Ong Honorary Secretary



Lion Lawrence Sew Director



PC Lion Chan Chee Keong РВМ 3rd Advisor



Lion Marina Hong Assistant Honorary Secretary



Lion Sebena Lim Director

Mr Lim Chee Kong

Director

Lion Chan Chik Wai Alternate Member



Lion Loh Yan Poh President



Lion Benson Soh Honorary Treasurer



Lion Carmen Jansen Director



Lion Edward Ma 1st Vice President



Lion Lawrence Lim Assistant Honorary Treasurer



Lion Francis Woo Director



Mr. Robert Yan Director



Lion Irene Lee Alternate Member



Lion Richard Seah Director



Lion Teo Cheng Peow

Director

Lion Shirley Low Co-opted Member



Lion Daniel Lin Alternate Member



Lion Jessica Goh Alternate Member



PDG Nancy Lim Alternate Member



Lion Cecilia Goh Alternate Member



Lion Tan Soh Keng Alternate Member



Lion Michael Soh Alternate Member



Lion Tham Joi Pun Alternate Member



Lion Ng Teong Soon Alternate Member







Lion Alex Song Alternate Member



Bendemeer SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTRE

Date of Appointment: 8 January 2020



Mr. Heng Chee How Chief Advisor



Mr. Wee Pang Kiat JP, ввм, PBM 2nd Vice President



Lion Tan Eng Siong Assistant Honorary Treasurer



PDG Anthony Тау рра, рвм LB Chairman, Advisor



Lion Tomy Ng Honorary Secretary



Lion Albert Chua



Lion Francis Ng President

Lion Jennifer Chew PBM Assistant Honorary Secretary

> Lion Simon Chan Director





Lion Chua Soon Lee BBM Honorary Treasurer



Lion Dianna Olivia Lim Director



Lion Chris Chan Director



Lion Heng Mong Yong Alternate Member



Mr. Chia Cheng Ghee PBM Director



Lion David Sng Alternate Member



Lion Chua Soo Chiew Alternate Member



Lion Flora Wong Alternate Member

Clementi/Bukit Timah SENIOR CLUSTER NETWORK

Date of Appointment: 8 January 2020



Dr. Tan Wu Meng Chief Advisor



PDG Anthony Тау рра, рвм LB Chairman, Advisor



Lion Joseph Low President



Lion Yvonne Yuen 1st Vice President



Lion Shirley Lee Honorary Secretary



Lion Lily Tan Honorary Treasurer



Lion James Ko Assistant Honorary Treasurer (Till 31 May 2020)



Lion Helen Cheong PBM Alternate Membe



Lion Bensonn Ong Director



Lion Richard Khoo Director



Ms. Tan Lee Jee PBM Director





Lion Barbara Lim Alternate Member



Lion Nancy Quek Alternate Member



Lion Vijendran s/o Vijiaratnam Alternate Member (Till 25 June 2020)



Ms. Patricia Lau Co-opted Member

Queenstown SENIOR CLUSTER NETWORK

Date of Appointment: 8 January 2020



Mr. Eric Chua Chief Advisor, Mei Ling SAC



Mr. Christopher de Souza Chief Advisor, Ghim Moh SAC



PDG Anthony Tay рра, рвм LB Chairman, Advisor



Lion Sally Ang President



Lion Ong Ai King 1st Vice President



Mr. Foo See Keat PBM 2nd Vice President



Lion Yong Chiang Boon Honorary Secretary



Mr. Khew Nee Khweh Assistant Honorary Secretary



Lion Mak Yew Wing Honorary Treasurer



Lion Kan Ngee Meng рвм Assistant Honorary Treasurer



Ms. Yvonne Yee рвм Director



Lion Prof. Tjen Hian Ka Alternate Member



Ms. Celin Ong Director



Ms. Jeanisa Ng Director



Lion Alun Chow Director







Lion Mag Kwan Alternate Member



Date of Appointment: 8 January 2020



Mr. Baey Yam Keng Chief Advisor



PDG Anthony Тау рра, рвм LB Chairman, Advisor



Lion Terence Lim President



Lion Cash Tay 1st Vice President



Mr. Chris Yap 2nd Vice President

Lion Vincent Lim

Director



Lion Daisy Loh Honorary Secretary



Lion Henry Liang Director



Lion Bryan Koh Assistant Honorary Secretary



Lion Courtney Wu Director



Lion Johnny Lee Honorary Treasurer



Lion Jennifer Jern Director



Lion Roland Lim Assistant Honorary Treasurer



Lion Amber Sim Director



Lion Lim Teng Leong Alternate Member



Mdm. Rajisvary D/O Vairappan ввм Director



Lion James Wong Alternate Member



Lion Steven Yeo PBM Alternate Member



Lion Jenny Tan Alternate Member



Lion Lee Swee Ser Alternate Member



Lion Johnson Tong Alternate Member



Lion Amanda Wang Alternate Member



Lion Alvin Chan Alternate Member



Lion Dickie Khoo Alternate Member

Lion Elisa Koh Alternate Member





Befriending Services

Date of Appointment: 8 January 2020



PDG Anthony Тау рра, рвм LB Chairman, Advisor



Lion Ivan Ong LB 2nd Vice Chairman Chairperson, Programmes & Services Subcommittee



Lion Melvin Liu President



Lion Amon Lim 1st Vice President



Lion Cathleen Chang Director



Lion Vicky Yang Honorary Secretary



Lion Tan Siok Kang Director



Lion Serena Yuen Assistant Honorary Secretary



Lion Jennifer Chew PBM Co-opted Member



Lion Patricia Chua Co-opted Member



Lion Ong Yik Choon Co-opted Member

IMPACT BY NUMBERS

Befriending Services



befriendees served by

1,635 befrienders



583 befrienders attended

25 training sessions



31,214 attendees in activities

485 sponsored activities



1:2.63 befriender-befriendee ratio



IMPROVEMENT BY YEAR

7.9% more befrienders more befriendees

3.3%

IMPACT BY NUMBERS

Community Outreach Services



196,177 total number of participation

2,366 seniors served by LB's SACs

3,376 activities conducted at SACs

> 1,947 sponsored activities coordinated by SACs

187 centre volunteers

2.7% increase in membership

CLUSTER SUPPORT



SENIOR GROUP HOME



25 clients served 19% increase in clients served

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Buona Vista Indus Road Havelock Road Ghim Moh Dover Jalan Minyak/Jalan Kukoh/York Hill Chinatown Bedok Tampines Simei clients served Banda Street/ Kreta Ayer Bukit Merah West Coast Redhill/Lengkok Bahru Clementi Telok Blangah/Henderson Queenstown Strathmore/Dawson Tanglin Halt Commonwealth Holland

HOME PERSONAL CARE

Corporate Highlights



4 May 2019

donations.

LB Flag Day 2019

Over \$203,000 was raised

from the street collections and

MAY 2019



19 May 2019 "Empowering Employer" Award by Daughters of Tomorrow

LB was awarded the "Empowering Employer" trophy by Daughters of Tomorrow for helping lowincome women in Singapore gain a livelihood.

6 July 2019 LB Befriender Recruitment Roadshow

LB organised a roadshow to raise awareness of LB and senior isolation as well as recruit potential befrienders.



JULY 2019



27 July 2019 LB Befrienders' Day

The annual Befrienders' Day celebrates and affirms the befrienders' efforts for faithfully serving the befriendees under their care. The event saw LB management, staff and befrienders bonding over funfilled carnival games, food and performances.

1 September 2019 LB Charity Car Rally

Over 240 driving enthusiasts and benevolent individuals participated, which raised over \$129,000.



SEPTEMBER 2019



5 September 2019 Mei Ling SAC's 20th Anniversary Celebration

Mei Ling SAC celebrated 20 fruitful years of service since its official opening on 26 November 2000 with an anniversary dinner held at SAFRA Mount Faber.

10 October 2019 Magic Cares Van Community Programme

Since June 2019, LB's Toa Payoh befriendees have benefitted from the weekly music-making sessions under the SBS Transit Magic Cares Van Community Programme. They were invited to perform at the official launch held at Toa Payoh Bus Interchange.



17 October 2019 Immersive Room at Mei Ling SAC

The Immersive Room was soft-launched at Mei Ling SAC and is purposed to enhance the lives of the SAC seniors by connecting them to their environment holistically through stimulating, engaging or calming setups.



OCTOBER 2019



11 October 2019 LB Annual Appreciation & Awards Presentation

The annual LB Appreciation & Awards Presentation commemorates and recognises volunteers, donors and sponsors who have contributed time, energy and money to benefit LB seniors. Close to 800 guests attended the event.



25 October 2019 LB Cantonese Opera

To enrich the cultural experiences of LB's seniors, a Cantonese Opera jointly performed by professionals from Nanning, China and local artistes from the Kwok Sing Musical Association was staged with over 1,000 seniors in attendance.

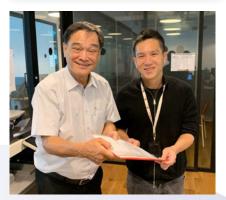
February 2020 Befriending Conversations

In February 2020, LB launched Befriending Conversations, a collection of personal narratives from 20 LB seniors, which aims to ignite a befriending movement.



FEBRUARY 2020

MARCH 2020



4 March 2020 SG Cares Community Partnership Grant by MCCY

LB was awarded the SG Cares Community Partnership Grant by Ministry of Culture, Community & Youth to encourage more community driven, ground-up initiatives, and foster partnerships among community partners.





Nick (LB staff) was there to talk to me when I felt moments of loneliness. I am thankful to have someone to share my problems with.

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Mdm Ko Lay Pheng, 67

Befriending Services

As someone with a history of depression and anxiety, Mdm Ko struggled with loneliness and was especially guarded in her interactions with people. Her battle with fibromyalgia affected her physical and social well-being, causing her to be even more withdrawn from society. Through the constant support and encouragement from the LB Befriending staff and volunteers over the past six years, Mdm Ko built the confidence to share her life openly and established meaningful connections with others.

Our island-wide Befriending Service reaches out to seniors who are at risk of social isolation by providing social and psychoemotional support through weekly home visits. It aims to help seniors age in place within the community, relieve loneliness and improve their well-being.



AT A GLANCE



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1,635 befrienders

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7.9%

more befrienders

3.3% more befriendees After I joined the centre, my health and mood improved. The many activities made my outlook in life more positive, and the friends I made from all walks of life also widened my perspective and knowledge.

Mdm Ng Ah Moi, 77

Senior Activity Centres

Estranged from her elder son and having lost her younger son to depression 12 years ago, Mdm Ng struggled through many lonely nights crying herself to sleep. Her life took a turn for the better when she joined Lions Befrienders' Senior Activity Centre and discovered the joy of crafting whilst forging new friendships with other like-minded seniors.

Our Senior Activity Centres aim to promote active ageing and continuous learning via a variety of senior-centric activities through providing a warm, receptive and familiar environment for our seniors.



AT A GLANCE



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The staff and volunteers always dote on me and will call or visit to check on my health.

•••

Mdm Lim Eng Kiew, 66

Cluster Support

Referred to LB by Khoo Teck Puat Hospital in 2015, Mdm Lim came under the Cluster Support programme to receive long term care and social support for her ailing health. She recounted how the LB staff went out of the way to check on her before sending her to the hospital. Viewing them as her own children, the constant presence and care from the staff and volunteers have deeply touched Mdm Lim and motivated her to live life with hope and joy.

Our Cluster Support is a step-up service for vulnerable seniors with no or weak family support. We provide social support through monitoring, casework management and counselling services in designated service boundaries and help seniors to age in place within the community for as long as possible.

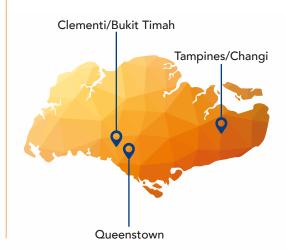


AT A GLANCE





41 'CAN' carers



Without the Home Personal Care programme, I will be in a lot of trouble as I cannot do many things on my own.

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Mr. Theodore Ding, 83

Home Personal Care

When Mr. Ding was first diagnosed with Parkinson's eight years ago, he did not know the life-changing effects the progressive condition would soon have on him. He was referred to the Home Personal Care service and is now receiving assistance for activities of daily living. He is extremely grateful to Jenerlyn (LB staff), who always ensures that he is well taken care of and has access to help whenever needed.

Our Home Personal Care services enable vulnerable seniors who require assistance to continue living well at home while supporting their caregivers in caregiving duties. Our trained care professionals assist the seniors with Activities of Daily Living in areas such as maintenance exercises, mind-stimulating activities and light housekeeping.

AT A GLANCE



197 clients served



I got to adapt to my current situation, but I am glad to have a roof over my head.

Mr. Joseph Goh, 80

Senior Group Homes

Due to mobility issues arising from a fall, Mr. Goh was referred to the LB Senior Group Home programme so that he could receive comprehensive support through a range of services and stay independent within the community. His zest for life, tenacity and courage as he deals with different health challenges is an inspiration to those around him. He is most appreciative to the LB staff for helping him to buy his three meals and ensuring that his needs are met.

Our Senior Group Home is an assisted living model that reaches out to frail seniors, enabling them to co-reside independently in designated HDB rental flats retrofitted with elder-friendly features. The aim of the Senior Group Home is to provide comprehensive support to seniors through services such as meals on wheels, medical escort transport and home nursing.



AT A GLANCE



ZJ clients served

19% increase in clients served

Governance Evaluation Checklist

S/N	CODE DESCRIPTION	CODE ID	COMPLIANCI
	GOVERNANCE		
1	Induction and orientation are provided to incoming Board members on joining the Board.	1.1.2	Complied
	Are there Board members holding staff appointments? (Skip items 2 and 3 if "No")		No ¹
2	Staff does not chair the Board and does not comprise more than one-third of the Board.	1.1.3	Not applicable
3	There are written job descriptions for their executive functions and operational duties which are distinct from their Board roles.	1.1.5	Not applicable
4	There is a maximum limit of four consecutive years for the Treasurer position (or equivalent, e.g. Finance Committee Chairman or person on Board responsible for overseeing the 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.		
5	All Board members submit themselves for re-nomination and re- appointment, at least once every 3 years.	1.1.8	Complied
6	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? (Skip item 7 if "No")		Yes
7	The charity discloses in its annual report the reasons for retaining the Board member(s) who have served for more than 10 consecutive years.	1.1.13	Complied
	Explanation for retaining board members for more than 10 consecutive years: Board members who are passionate, knowledgeable (i.e. have prior experience) and willing to avail their time are allowed to serve in these key positions for multiple terms to ensure Board succession and continuity as they are familiar with past and existing policies and procedures and are able to provide future directions for Lions Befrienders.		
8	There are documented terms of reference for the Board and each of its Board committees.	1.2.1	Complied

S/N	CODE DESCRIPTION	CODE ID	COMPLIANC
ONFL	ICT OF INTEREST		
9	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
10	Board members do not vote or participate in decision-making on matters where they have a conflict of interest.	2.4	Complied
TRATE	GIC PLANNING		
11	The Board periodically reviews and approves the strategic plan for the charity to ensure that the activities are in line with its objectives.	3.2.2	Complied
UMAI	N RESOURCE AND VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT		
12	The Board approves documented human resource policies for staff.	5.1	Complied
13	There is a documented Code of Conduct for Board members, staff and volunteers (where applicable) which is approved by the Board.	5.3	Complied
14	There are processes for regular supervision, appraisal and professional development of staff.	5.5	Complied
	Are there volunteers serving in the charity? (Skip item 15 if "No")		Yes
15	There are volunteer management policies in place for volunteers.	5.7	Complied
NAN	CIAL MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS		
16	There is a documented policy to seek Board's approval for any loans, donations, grants or financial assistance provided by the charity which are not part of its core charitable programmes.	6.1.1	Complied
17	The Board ensures internal controls for financial matters in key areas are in place with documented procedures.	6.1.2	Complied
18	The Board ensures reviews on the charity's internal controls, processes, key programmes and events are regularly conducted.	6.1.3	Complied
19	The Board ensures that there is a process to identify, regularly monitor and review the charity's key risks.	6.1.4	Complied
20	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? (Skip item 21 if "No")		Yes ²
21	The charity has a documented investment policy approved by the Board.	6.4.3	Complied

S/N	CODE DESCRIPTION	CODE ID	COMPLIANCE
UNDR	AISING PRACTICES		
	Did the charity receive cash donations (solicited or unsolicited) during the year? (Skip item 22 if "No")		Yes
22	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? (Skip item 23 if "No")		Yes ²
23	All donations-in-kind received are properly recorded and accounted for by the charity.	7.2.3	Complied
ISCLO	SURE AND TRANSPARENCY		
24	The charity discloses in its annual report: i) Number of Board meetings in the year; and ii) Individual Board member's attendance.	8.2	Complied
	Are Board members remunerated for their Board services? (Skip items 25 and 26 if "No")		No ³
25	No Board member is involved in setting his or her own remuneration.	2.2	Not applicable
26	The charity discloses the exact remuneration and benefits received by each Board member in its annual report. OR The charity discloses that no Board members are remunerated.	8.3	Not applicable
	Does the charity employ paid staff? (Skip items 27, 28 and 29 if "No")		Yes
27	No staff is involved in setting his or her own remuneration.	2.2	Complied
28	The charity discloses in its annual report: i) The total annual remuneration (including any remuneration received in its subsidiaries), for each of its three highest paid staff, who each receives remuneration exceeding \$100,000, in bands of \$100,000; and ii) If any of the three highest paid staff also serves on the Board of the charity.	8.4	Complied
	OR		
	The charity discloses that none of its staff receives more than \$100,000 in annual remuneration each.		

S/N	CODE DESCRIPTION	CODE ID	COMPLIANCE		
29	The charity discloses the number of paid staff who are close member of the family of the Executive Head or Board Members, who each receives remuneration exceeding \$50,000 during the year in bands of \$100,000. OR	8.5	Complied ⁴		
	The charity discloses that there is no paid staff who are close members of the family of the Executive Head or Board Member, who receives more than \$50,000 during the year.				
PUBLIC IMAGE					
30	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		

- ¹ There are no board members holding staff appointments.
- ² The charity invests in fixed deposits.
- ³ Board members are not remunerated for their Board services.

⁴ There is no paid staff, being a close member of the family of the Executive Head or Board Member of the charity, who has received remuneration exceeding \$50,000 during the year.

Personal Data Protection Act Policy

Lions Befrienders (LB) views our responsibilities seriously and are committed to protecting the privacy of our employees, stakeholders and clients. The information we collect is strictly for the purpose of operating LB and not used for any commercial purpose.

Conflict of Interest Policy

LB has put in place its Conflict of Interest Policy to protect the Association's welfare. The policy will be read by employees upon onboarding, and committee members annually as an acknowledgement of having understood the policy, he/she will fully disclose to the Executive Director when a conflict of interest arises. The Management Board shall determine whether a conflict exists and in the case of an existing conflict, whether the contemplated transaction may be authorised as just, fair and reasonable to LB. The decision of the committee and their concerns must be the welfare of LB and the advancement of its purpose.

Reserves Policy

LB targets to maintain its reserves for three years and at a level sufficient for its operational needs. The Management Board reviews the level of reserves regularly for the Association's continuing obligations.

Whistle Blowing Policy

LB is committed to high standards of corporate governance and compliance in financial and legislation requirements. We require the management, staff, partners, volunteers and other stakeholders to comply with the law and regulatory requirements and internal policies. In line with this commitment, LB has put in place a Whistle Blowing Policy to provide a channel for employees and external parties to raise concerns and offer them reassurance that their identity will be kept confidential and protected from reprisals or victimisation for acting in good faith.

The Governance Evaluation Checklist is extracted from the Code of Governance for Charities and Institutions of a Public Character issued by The Charity Council, April 2017.

Board Attendance

Board Meetings from April 2019 to March 2020

23 April 2019	25 June 2019	27 August 2019
15 October 2019	19 November 2019	8 January 2020

Lions Befrienders held its 25th Annual General Meeting on 28 September 2019.

Attendance in FY2019/2020 (Apr 2019 – Oct 2019)

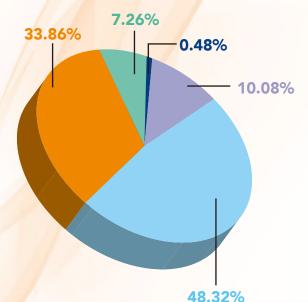
BOARD MEMBER	DESIGNATION	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	% OF ATTENDANCES	REMARKS
Lion William Loh	Chairman	1 Nov 2017	100	
Lion Richard Koong	Immediate Past Chairman	1 Nov 2017	100	
Lion Chia Lai Soon	1st Vice Chairman Chairperson, Befriending Services Management Committee	1 Nov 2017	100	
Lion Ho Sum Kwong	2nd Vice Chairman Chairperson, Media & Public Relations Subcommittee	1 Nov 2017	75	
Lion Yeo Siew Yam	Honorary Secretary Chairperson, Training Subcommittee	1 Nov 2017	0	Resigned w.e.f. 25 August 2018
Lion Shirley Lee	Assistant Honorary Secretary Chairperson, Outreach Subcommittee	1 Nov 2017	100	
Lion Alex Lim	Honorary Treasurer Chairperson, Finance Subcommittee	1 Nov 2017	100	
Lion Joseph Lui	Assistant Honorary Treasurer	1 Nov 2017	100	
Lion Jeffrey Yang	Ex-officio Immediate Past District Governor (Apr 2019 to Jun 2019)	1 Jul 2019	0	Absent due to exigencies
Lion Gareth Goh PBM	Ex-officio District Governor	1 Jul 2019	0	Absent due to exigencies
ion Victor Yip	Ex-officio 1st Vice District Governor	1 Jul 2019	75	
_ion Lesa Gan	Ex-officio 2nd Vice District Governor	1 Jul 2019	50	
Lion Simon Lim	Director	1 Nov 2017	75	
ion Dr Chey Chor Khoon	Director	1 Nov 2017	25	Absent due to exigencies
_ion Nancy Lye	Director	1 Nov 2017	100	
Lion Victor Lee	Director Chairperson, Strategic Planning, Constitution & By-Laws Subcommittee	1 Nov 2017	100	
_ion Ivan Ong	Director	1 Nov 2017	75	
ion Sarah Teo	Director Chairperson, Fundraising Subcommittee	1 Nov 20 <mark>1</mark> 7	50	
ion Wendeline Chong	Co-opted Director	1 Nov 2017	25	Absent due to exigencies
_ion Jennifer Jern	Co-opted Director	1 Nov 2017	50	
ion Ng Leng Choo	Chairperson, Audit Subcommittee	1 Nov 2017	75	
ion Heng Mong Yong	Chairperson, Facilities Management Subcommittee	1 Nov 2017	50	
Lion Lawrence Sew	President, Ang Mo Kio Senior Activity Centre	1 Nov 2017	75	
ion Ronald Chua	President, Bendemeer Senior Activity Centre	1 Nov 2017	75	
Lion Bensonn Ong	President, Clementi/Bukit Timah Senior Cluster Network	1 Nov 2017	0	Absent due to exigencies
ion Alun Chow	President, Queenstown Senior Cluster Network	1 Nov 2017	100	
Lion Henry Liang	President, Tampines/Changi Senior Cluster Network	1 Nov 20 <mark>17</mark>	75	

Attendance in FY2019/2020 (Nov 2019 - Mar 2020)

BOARD MEMBER	DESIGNATION	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	% OF ATTENDANCES	REMARKS
PDG Anthony PPA, PBM	Chairman	1 Nov 2019	100	
Lion William Loh	Immediate Past Chairman	1 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Alex Lim	1st Vice Chairman	1 Nov 2019	50	
Lion Ivan Ong	2nd Vice Chairman Chairperson, Programmes & Services Subcommittee	1 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Daniel Ong	Honorary Secretary Chairperson, Strategic Planning Subcommittee Chairperson, Research & Development Subcommittee	1 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Wendeline Chong	Assistant Honorary Secretary Chairperson, Befriending Training Subcommittee	1 Nov 2019	50	
Lion Joseph Lui	Honorary Treasurer Chairperson, Finance Subcommittee	1 Nov 2019	50	
Lion Lawrence Sew	Assistant Honorary Treasurer Member, Finance Subcommittee Member, Befriending Training Subcommittee	1 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Gareth Goh PBM	Ex-officio District Governor	1 Jul 2019	100	
Lion Victor Yip	Ex-officio 1st Vice District Governor	1 Jul 2019	50	
Lion Lesa Gan	Ex-officio 2nd Vice District Governor	1 Jul 2019	50	
Lion Nancy Lye	Director Member, Facilities Management	1 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Jennifer Jern	Director Chairperson, Human Resource Subcommittee	1 Nov 2019	50	
Lion Steven Goh	Director Member, Community Outreach Services Subcommittee	1 Nov 2019	50	
Lion Prof. Tjen Hian Ka	Director Chairperson, Media & Public Relations Subcommittee Chairperson, Tender Subcommittee	1 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Dr. Zhang Lei	Director Chairperson, Home Personal Care (Medical) Subcommittee	1 Nov 2019	0	Absent due to exigencies
Lion Ng Leng Choo	Chairperson, Audit Subcommittee	19 Nov 2019	0	Absent due to exigencies
Lion Doreen Lee	Chairperson, Appointment & Nomination Subcommittee Chairperson, Community Outreach Services Subcommittee	19 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Heng Mong Yong	Chairperson, Facilities Management Subcommittee	19 Nov 2019	0	Absent due to exigencies
Lion Seet Kok Heng	Chairperson, Community Engagement & Partnerships Subcommittee	19 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Michael Huang	Chairperson, Community Relations Subcommittee	19 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Sarah Teo	Chairperson, Volunteer Management Subcommittee	19 Nov 2019	100	
Lion Ying Wai Lin	Chairperson, Constitution & By-laws Subcommittee	19 Nov 2019	100	
PCC Lim Hon Chee PBM	Member, Constitution & By-laws Subcommittee	19 Nov 2019	0	Absent due to exigencies
Ms Evelyn Goh	Co-opted Member	27 Nov 2019	0	Absent due to exigencies
Lion Loh Yan Poh	President, Ang Mo Kio Senior Activity Centre	8 Jan 2020	-	
Lion Francis Ng PBM	President, Bendemeer Senior Activity Centre	8 Jan 2020	-	
Lion Joseph Low	President, Clementi/Bukit Timah Senior Cluster	8 Jan 2020	-	
Lion Sally Ang	President, Queenstown Senior Cluster Network	8 Jan 2020	-	
Lion Terence Lim	President, Tampines/Changi Senior Cluster Network	8 Jan 2020	-	
Lion Melvin Liu	President, Befriending Services Management	8 Jan 2020	-	

Sources of Income

LB regularly monitors its expenditure against its annual budget for the Association's plans, and is committed to ensuring accountability and prudence in its operations.



DONATIONS & FUNDRAISING: \$687,114

ACTIVITIES INCOME:

\$45,511

OTHER INCOME: \$953,820

GOVERNMENT SUBVENTION - MOH & MSF:

\$4,570,661

other grants: \$3,203,441

FY2019/2020 TOTAL INCOME: \$9,460,547

Breakdown of Charity Dollar

In addition to government subvention and grants, LB relies on donations and funds raised as a major source of income.

Out of every dollar LB spent in FY2019/20, about 85 cents went directly to fund the programmes and activities that benefit our seniors.

PER DOLLAR ON OPERATIONS: **\$0.149**

PER DOLLAR ON FUNDRAISING: **\$0.004**

PER DOLLAR ON CHARITABLE

\$0.848

Operations Costs

- Rental
- Utilities
- Printing
- Maintenance
- Public relations
- Bank charges
- Audit and professional fees to support direct services

Fundraising Costs

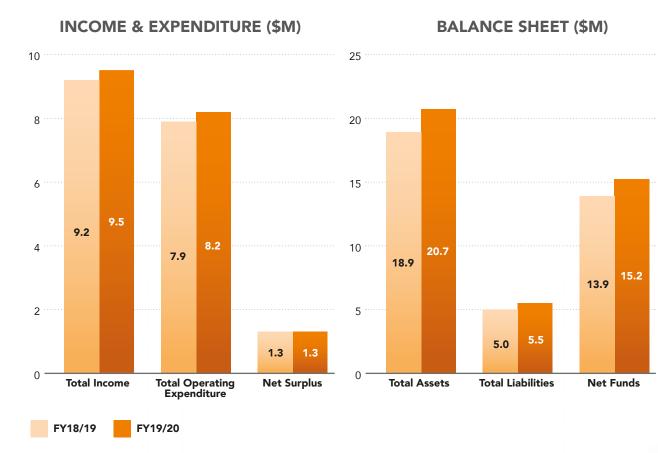
• Costs incurred to raise funds to support our direct services

Charitable Activities Costs

- Staff costs of providing services
- Running of programmes for our seniors

Operations and fundraising costs are all covered by fundraising income.

Financial Statements





Please scan the QR code to view the detailed financial statements.

Auditor

RSM Chio Lim LLP



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Senior Activity Centres (SAC)

LB SAC @ 318 Ang Mo Kio Blk 318 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 1 #01-1453, S(560318)

LB SAC @ 32 Bendemeer Blk 32 Bendemeer Road #01-799, S(330032)

LB SAC @ 420A Clementi Blk 420A Clementi Avenue 1 #02-03, S(121420)

LB SAC @ 366 Clementi Blk 366 Clementi Avenue 2 #01-527, S(120366)

LB SAC @ 344 Clementi Blk 344 Clementi Avenue 5 #01-132, S(120344)

LB SAC @ 150 Mei Ling Blk 150 Mei Ling Street #01-53, S(141150)

LB SAC @ 18 Ghim Moh Blk 18 Ghim Moh Road #01-115, S(270018)

LB SAC @ 434 Tampines Blk 434 Tampines Street 43 #01-77, S(520434)

LB SAC @ 499C Tampines Blk 499C Tampines Avenue 9 #01-256, S(523499)

LB SAC (SA) @ 494E Tampines Blk 494E Tampines Street 43 #01-544, S(525494)

Cluster Support (CS) Offices

LB CS @ Queenstown Blk 151 Mei Ling Street #01-01, S(140151)

LB CS @ Clementi/Bukit Timah Blk 426 Clementi Avenue 3 #01-486, S(120426)

LB CS @ Tampines/Changi Blk 494E Tampines Street 43 #01-544, S(525494)

Senior Group Homes (SGH)

LB SGH @ Queeenstown Blk 151 Mei Ling Street S(141151)

LB SGH @ Tampines/Changi Blk 499C Tampines Avenue 9 S(523499)

Home Personal Care (HPC)

LB HPC @ Queenstown Blk 151 Mei Ling Street #01-01, S(140151)

Befriending Services

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