

HELLO!

FROM FOO MEE HAR

Dear Residents of Ayer Rajah-Gek Poh,

I am pleased to launch another We Care initiative at Ayer Rajah-Gek Poh where my volunteer team and I gather every month to provide Singaporean households with Care Bags filled with a curated selection of daily essentials like eggs, cooking oil and cleaning supplies - all in a bid to help defray some of your living expenses. I am also glad to be able to catch up with all of you through these sessions. We are making our way around the neighbourhood in the months ahead and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

During the holy month of Ramadan, I was glad to have met many of our Malay Muslim residents during the grocery and porridge distribution sessions organised by our volunteers. I also took this opportunity to inform residents about our fundraising campaign to support civilians in Gaza by providing health services, relief, and shelter to those affected by the recent developments there. I am glad to see all of you in high spirits and truly cherish our interactions at these meet ups.

Over at Ayer Rajah, I am excited to share that there will be 1,070 flats available at the upcoming Jurong East HDB BTO project in June 2024. Located at the heart of Teban Gardens, this project not only caters to households of various sizes, but is also right next to the upcoming Jurong Region Line MRT station. I am also pleased to share that the Blk 52 Teban Gardens Senior Citizen Corner and the futsal courts at Pandan Gardens and Teban Gardens are now ready for the enjoyment of our residents.

At Gek Poh, I had the chance to host a fully-subscribed dialogue session together with JTC for residents at Gek Poh North to share about the progress of developments at Jurong Innovation District (JID). When JID is fully completed, it will bring about 95,000 jobs as well as exciting infrastructure developments to Jurong West such as the 11 km skybridge, and many recreation options. I also shared that Bulim Park is set to open by the end of 2024, bringing new F&B and leisure facilities. The Town Council team have also completed many projects ranging from the R&R at Blk 732-751 Jurong West St 73/75 and other infrastructure like the multi-purpose hall and Residents' Corner.

On the national front, the government has outlined plans for further cost-of-living measures for Singaporeans. I hope schemes like CDC Vouchers, GST Relief and the newly-launched Climate Vouchers will help out in your daily expenses. HDB's EASE 2.0 will offer a wider range of senior-friendly items under heavy subsidies to improve the safety and well-being for our older residents to age in place. Do refer to the official websites for more information, or simply reach out to our community staff and volunteers for assistance to help understand these schemes.

Wishing all of you well and till we next meet again at the next community event or house visit!

Let us continue to work together, hand in hand, to make Ayer Rajah-Gek Poh our best home!

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