

Dear Friends

Thank you for supporting Blossom Seeds.

Tribute to Healthcare Workers

We thank Minister Ong Ye Kung, Minister for Health and Adviser for Sembawang Central GROs and Ms Mariam Jaafar, Adviser for Woodlands GROs, together with our distinguished partners, supporting agencies, volunteers and beneficiaries, in singing "Tian Mi Mi 甜蜜蜜" to extend our appreciation to all the healthcare workers over the last two years in the global fight against the pandemic.





This is the 2nd year Blossom Seeds held our Flag Day online amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, to raise funds for our Medical Escort & Transport Service (MET).

We are also pleased to welcome our partners to our newly refurbished centre.

The fundraising campaign will end by 31 January 2022 and we are grateful to everyone, especially our donors for helping our seniors to stay active during this pandemic.

Yours Sincerely

Ms Ong Siew Chin CEO On behalf of the Board **Event Partners**

















Event Highlights 活动花絮

Sponsors for our 3rd **Wheelchair Enabled bus**

Our deepest gratitude to Mr Alex Ong and Ms Irene Lee for their generous donation of our third bus to cope with the increasing request for MET.





Testimonials



Penguin Dance of Unity

Led by Youth Corps Singapore (YCS) & Active.Sg, both guests onsite and at home did a hand washing steps penguin dance to prevent the spread of COVID-19.











Assyafaah Mosque & Covenant Evangelical Free Church







Community Partners

Warm and active participation of our partners at our newly refurbished centre to support this compassionate journey which made it possible for our beneficiaries.







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Zoom Participants

Many thanks to all our partners, guests, volunteers and seniors who joined us online.







Behind the Scenes

Kudos to the crew who worked behind the scenes.



























President's Star Charity 2021

We were excited when MediaCorp came over to film our senior volunteers and beneficiaries for the President's Star Charity 2021 aired on October 10. Blossom Seeds has been selected to showcase our ongoing services through this difficult period and urgent need for them.

















Media Platforms

Healthcare workers are last line of defence in pandemic I GROS battle, says Ong Ye Kung

ST+ news with benefits

Jessie Lim

Healthcare workers are the last Meanthcare workers are the fight line of defence in Singapore's fight against the pandemic, said Minis-ter for Health Ong Ye Kung yester-

day. Speaking during a virtual event organised by charity Blossom Seeds, Mr Ong said when all else fails, healthcare workers are next to the patient, saving every life. "If we try to have life go back to normal, actually this may cause more infections.

"And when people fall sick, they end up... (in bed) with a healthcare worker next to them as their last hope," he added.

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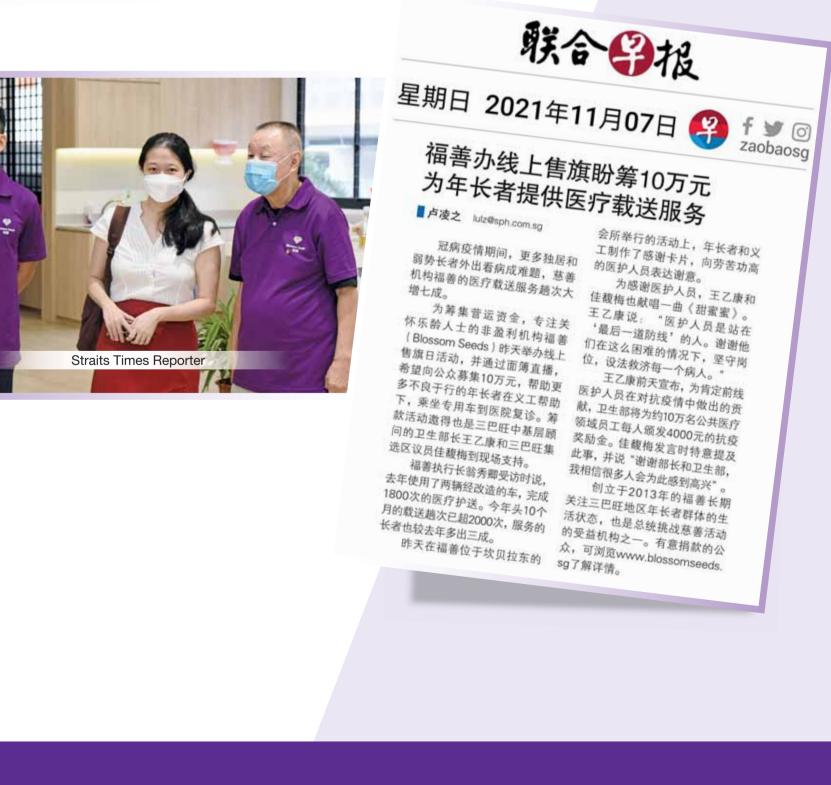
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I was at Blossom Seeds' hybrid event - A Compassionate Journey Made Possible 2021 Virtual Flag Day - at their active aging centre at Canberra this morning. Minister Ong Ye Kung was the Guest of Honour, while Ms Mariam Jaafaar was the special guest.

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It was the first physical event for me for a while. I enjoyed the well organised activity with safe management measures in place. They also recognised their donors who contributed a third MET Van to them. Thanks to Ong Siew Chin and her Blossom Seeds team!

Blossom Seeds is a partner of ours, running an Active Aging Centre and MET services, and building strong volunteerism and community based partnerships including with schools and religious organisations in the area.





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The extra bus will allow it to make 2,700 trips per year in total, so that more seniors can have someone accompany them to the hospital or polyclinic.

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Blossom Seeds chief executive Ong Siew Chin said: "Many (seniors) are disabled and with chronic conditions. Some are unable to buy their meals and groceries. "They may also be unable to seek help from their neighbours, should their







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