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Celebrating the festive season with the community

In December 2025, the spirit of giving shone brightly at Joy Box 2025 at Tampines Changkat Community Club, as Singapore Pools joined hands with Tampines Changkat to bring moments of joy and connection to the community.

Launched in 2020, the Joy Box programme was created to spread cheer to seniors, families and individuals who may be going through a challenging period, especially during festive seasons. Over the years, more than 7,000 Joy Boxes have been lovingly prepared and delivered to beneficiaries across Tampines Changkat, as well as hospices, hospitals, women's shelters and children's homes – each box a simple but meaningful gesture of care and kindness.

The celebrations were made special through two community gatherings held on 12 and 16 December, including a session graced by Minister of State Desmond Choo. Seniors from Metta Day Rehabilitation Centre for the Elderly were warmly welcomed, receiving thoughtfully curated Joy Boxes and sharing in the festive cheer.

As part of our commitment to community giving, our #PeopleofSgPools iShine volunteers carefully selected and packed around 120 Joy Boxes and created joyful memories together with seniors.

Community giving takes on deeper meaning during the festive season. Through initiatives like Joy Box, we remain committed to standing alongside our partners and volunteers to uplift spirits, strengthen connections and bring hope and warmth to those around us.

Decking the halls with joy and laughter

In the festive season, the Hub With A Heart (HWAH) @ Bukit Merah came alive with laughter, music and togetherness as five Active Ageing Centres (AACs) brought seniors together to celebrate Christmas.

The special event welcomed beneficiaries from NTUC Health (Bukit Merah and Silat), Goodlife Studio, REACH Community Services, and PCS Cedar Tree AAC @ Jalan Bukit Merah. Through carnival-style booths, joyful singalong sessions and thoughtfully designed bonding activities, seniors spent the day engaging with one another, rekindling friendships and creating new memories.

For many, the occasion was more than a festive gathering. It was a chance to strengthen relationships, build familiarity across centres and experience the warmth of a larger, connected community.

Singapore Pools was glad to support the celebration by providing the community space at HWAH @ Bukit Merah, reflecting our dedication to uplifting communities and creating inclusive spaces where people can come together and feel a sense of belonging.

As the year drew to a close, moments like these remind us that the true spirit of the season lies in togetherness, care and shared joy, especially when celebrated together.

Celebrating expressions of healing and hope

Singapore Pools proudly supported the launch of the NAFA UAS Symposium 2025, contributing to an initiative that brings the arts and mental wellness together to strengthen care and wellbeing in the community.

The symposium marked the launch of Healing Arts Singapore, Asia's first national-level arts and health initiative that aims to embed the arts within systems of care. Through evidence-informed and scalable approaches, the initiative seeks to improve wellbeing across Singapore and the wider Western Pacific region.

Healing Arts Singapore is co-led by the National University of Singapore Centre for Music and Health at the Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music, the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts, the University of the Arts Singapore, and the Jameel Arts and Health Lab. This multi-year initiative forms part of the Jameel Arts and Health Lab's global Healing Arts campaign, produced in collaboration with the World Health Organisation.

The initiative began with a five-day programme from 8 to 12 December 2025, featuring academic symposia, policy meetings, capacity-building workshops and artist commissions. A key milestone of the launch will be the appointment of Asias first Healing Arts Centre of Excellence.

Supporting the symposium underscores our ongoing commitment to championing the arts and promoting mental wellness as a vital social cause, contributing to healthier and more inclusive communities through creativity and care.

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