



**SPHERE+**

# AGENDA

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# Introduction



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## WHAT

Ground-up Initiatives

## WHO

Collaboration:  
Schools, SACs and/or Community Partners

Funded by Singapore Pools and facilitated by HDB

## HOW

Ground-up projects, planned and undertaken by students guided by teachers and facilitated by HDB (Intergenerational Bonding)

## WHY

Benefit Seniors' overall well-being

## WHY

Promote **Intergenerational Bonding** between Youths and Seniors

## WHY

Initiate **Intergenerational Bonding** to build community ties



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SINGAPORE



**HOUSING &  
DEVELOPMENT  
BOARD**

## **SPHERE+ TARGET AUDIENCE:**

- 1. HDB senior residents** that regularly attend, or reside near Senior Activity Centres (SAC) / Active Ageing Centres (AAC)
- 2. MOE Schools** and/or **Institutes of Higher Learning** (e.g. ITE, Polytechnics, Universities)

## To encourage students

to develop community projects, in order to build stronger intergenerational ties between youth and seniors

*Up to \$5,000 depending on scale/duration*



Bonding Sessions with Elderly



Senior-Friendly Programming

## VENUES TO CONDUCT SPHERE+ :



Senior Activity Centres  
(SAC)/Active Ageing  
Centres (AAC)



School Premises



HDB Void Decks  
next to SACs / AACs

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## Past Projects by Our Youth



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# PAST PROJECTS

- A terrarium making or designing a tote bag with senior residents.
- **Highlights:**
  - Encourage elderly residents to be active in aligned with Age Well SG
  - Promote mental wellness
  - Foster connections among fellow elderly and youth



Seniors showcasing their finished product



Senior participating in terrarium making



Senior participating in terrarium making

# PAST PROJECTS

- A Sessions that focus on enhancing the physical and mental wellness of the elderly in alignment with Age Well SG.
- **Highlights:**
  - Strength/Mobility
  - Flexibility



Students and Seniors performing a strength/mobility exercise



Students and Seniors performing flexibility exercises



Students and Seniors performing flexibility exercises

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## Sample Programme & Budgeting



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# SAMPLE PROGRAMME

Timing	Activity	Remarks
15 mins	<b>Set-up</b>	
30 mins	<b>Befriending with elderly (breaking the ice)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students introduce themselves, before providing an introduction on the intent of their programme, and interacting with the seniors to foster relations and build rapport.</li> </ul>
1 hour	<b>Bonding Time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activity 1</li> <li>Activity 2</li> </ul>
15 mins	<b>Feedback / Chit Chat Time</b>	<p>Students to fill up survey form on their experience and interview the elderly (with quotes and photos)</p> <p><i>(inclusive of distribution of snack pack for individual consumption, where applicable)</i></p>
<b>Total: 2 hours</b>		

# SAMPLE COSTINGS

Item	Cost of session	Remarks
Activity  <i>Materials for Workshops/ activities. E.g. stationery, crafts kits, game kits, tokens for participation</i>	\$900	An activity session usually involves ~25 to 40 seniors & 30 to 40 students, which roughly costs about \$800-1,000.
Transport	\$400	<i><u>25% of the budget</u> (falls within the 30% budget cap)</i>
Snacks and prizes	\$300	<i><u>18.8% of the budget</u> (falls within the 20% budget cap)</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,600</b>  <b><i>\$15 to \$20 per pax (capped*)</i></b>	<b>*prices inclusive of GST</b>

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## Key Criteria & Guidelines



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# KEY CRITERIA



Activities to **strengthen intergenerational bonds** between students and seniors



**Transport** costs are capped at **30%** of the total project cost, and can only be used for the elderly beneficiaries



Activity/event **not for profit**



**F&B, and prizes** must not exceed **20%** of total project cost



**Not** for programmes or activities with **existing funding sources**



Project volunteers must meet a minimum amount of **community match value**, which begins at **30%** of the project budget/cost

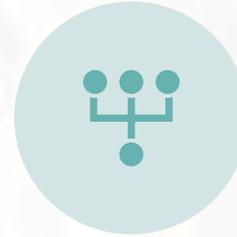
*\* Volunteering time (e.g. students, teachers) is valued at **\$25 per hour**\*  
All donated materials and supplies (food, tools, etc.) can be valued at their retail prices.*

# OTHER GUIDELINES

The Fund **cannot** be used for:



Overseas projects



Hiring/ outsourcing the project works/ activities fully to events companies



Event t-shirts



Out-of-city travel expenses, or any lodging/ hotel expenses, private transportation expenses including mileage, car rentals, etc.

# COMMUNITY MATCH

How does the community value/match operate?

Scenario:			Total Project Cost	Amount of Volunteers /Students	Total Amount of Volunteer Hours	Total Community Match Value (Total Hours x \$25)
A	(Hypothetical): 2 Hour Session	Community Match Value = \$25 per Volunteer Hour	\$3,000	200	200 x 2 = 400 hrs	\$10,000 (Exceeded Min)
B			\$1,500	150	150 x 2 x \$25 = \$7,500	\$7,500 (Exceeded Min)
C			\$800	100	100 x 2 x \$25 = \$5,000	\$5,000 (Exceeded Min)

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## Key Stages



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**A  
Planning**

The school first **scopes and details the proposed project in collaboration with the SAC(s)/AAC(s)** before applying to HDB for SPHERE+ funding.

*HDB facilitate process /  
Link up with AACs*

**B  
Post-Planning**

**Post-planning**, the school is to provide **quotations, budget and detailed activity plans** to HDB for approval.

*AOR → Incurrence → LOA*

**C  
Post-Approval**

**Post-approval**, the school shall conduct **preparations for the event**, to execute intergenerational **engagements on site**

*Audits / Surveys*

**D  
Post-event**

School to provide **photos, feedback after project completion and before seeking reimbursement** from HDB

*Verification of documents  
/Approval for reimbursement*

**3-4 months for approval of project**  
*(includes the refinement of the project, budget and programme)*

# THANK YOU!

To know more, do contact:

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