



The Helping Hand

"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28)

HAPPENINGS

April - September 2024

Dear Friends,

The year 2024 has been an inspiring and uplifting season for The Helping Hand family.

We want to share some key moments from April to September that have propelled our mission forward in rehabilitating and reintegrating our residents.

37TH RIDE AND RUN TO RESTORE

The Ride & Run to Restore 2024 was an exciting event celebrating The Helping Hand's 37th anniversary. This fundraiser marked 37 years of transforming ex-offenders' lives. We are deeply thankful to everyone who made it a success.

Together, we raised over \$160,000, building a community bound by compassion and solidarity.

To our participants: Your determination and enthusiasm have inspired us all. Whether you rode, ran, or walked, your commitment to our cause has made a lasting difference.

To our donors: Your contributions and partnership have brought hope and light where there was once despair and darkness. Your support has transformed the lives of individuals and families in need, creating ripples of change within our community.

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Together, we have shown that when we unite as one, no challenge is too great. Your collective efforts have touched countless lives, offering hope, healing, and the promise of a brighter future.

We are filled with profound gratitude as we look back on this incredible journey. Thank you for your unwavering commitment, boundless generosity, and steadfast belief in our mission.

Your support enables Ride & Run to Restore to continue being a beacon of hope for those who need it most.

ALWAYS
**RIDE
& RUN**



EMPACT LEARNING JOURNEY

The Helping Hand recently teamed up with Empact to host a learning experience for 20 exchange students from China. The students visited our halfway house and learned about our rehabilitation programs and therapies.

During their visit, the students toured our halfway house and better understood our rehabilitation programs and therapies.

Additionally, some of our residents shared their personal stories, recounting their past struggles with drug abuse and the transformative impact of God in their lives.

They spoke about how their experiences led to significant changes, enabling them to now hold capable roles in the workforce outside of the halfway house.

This powerful sharing provided the students with a profound insight into the journey of recovery and reintegration.





14TH ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF AND DINNER

On the 28th of August 2024, we hosted our 14th Charity Golf event at the Classic Course of Laguna National Golf & Country Club to raise funds for our ministry work. We are excited to share that the event was a great success, generating an incredible total of \$420,000!

We want to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to this meaningful event. Whether it was through corporate sponsorship, purchasing golf flights, providing in-kind sponsorship, or making cash donations, your support has had a lasting impact on the individuals we assist. We are grateful for your ongoing partnership in our mission.



After our successful 14th Charity Golf event, we held a special dinner with Mr. Edwin Tong, Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Second Minister for Law, as our esteemed Guest of Honour. The evening included auctions and heartfelt stories from our residents, giving a deeper look into the impactful work of The Helping Hand.

It was a meaningful event, allowing guests to connect with our mission and better understand how we continue to make a difference in the lives of ex-offenders.





YELLOW RIBBON PRISON RUN

On September 1st, 2024, the Yellow Ribbon Prison Run (YRPR) brought communities across Singapore together. The event aims to create an inclusive society where ex-offenders and their families are given second chances during their reintegration journey.

Some of our residents joined the event by participating in the 5km run/walk categories and the 10km competitive run. It was a meaningful experience for everyone, reminding us of the important role we play in supporting our community and advocating for change.

MID-AUTUMN EVANGELICAL DEPUTATION SERVICE @ SHELTER BAPTIST CHURCH



On September 14, 2024, The Helping Hand led a Mid-Autumn evangelical service at Shelter Baptist Church. Nearly 40 people joined in a heartfelt time of worship led by our team, followed by an inspiring sermon delivered by Jason. One of our brothers shared a deeply moving testimony, reflecting on his journey through more than 30 years of imprisonment and how God transformed his life, freeing him from the grip of addiction.

After the service, we enjoyed a time of fellowship, connecting with the brothers and sisters of the church, who expressed how encouraged they were by the message and the worship. We are deeply grateful for the opportunity to serve and pray that God will continue to use our team as a channel of blessing to those around us. will continue to use our team as a channel of blessing to those around us.

SOFT LAUNCH

1. HANDS CAFE

The Helping Hand is proud to introduce Hands Cafe, our in-house café - the only cafe located within a halfway house in Singapore. We celebrated our soft launch on 9th September, and we invite you to drop by and enjoy our freshly baked treats made daily.

While you're here, take the opportunity to mingle with us and hear the inspiring stories of our residents as you learn more about the work we do at our halfway house.

Visit our Hands Cafe at 819 Upper Serangoon Road, Singapore 534678.

Opening Hours: 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM
(Monday to Saturday)



Our New Furniture Showroom
in Collaboration with

2. MYSEAT.SG

We are thrilled to also announce the soft launch of our newly revamped furniture showroom, in partnership with Myseat.sg. This collaboration introduces a modern aesthetic and an expanded selection of high-quality furniture, offering more choices to suit your style and preferences.

Through this partnership, we also aim to create additional employment and training opportunities for our team members, enabling them to gain valuable skills and experience in furniture retail and assembly.

Visit our showroom at 819 Upper Serangoon Road, Singapore 534678.

Opening Hours: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
(Monday to Sunday)

PRAY WITH US

The Helping Hand's prayer request and needs

1. Pray for the staff to live exemplary lives that will encourage the residents and glorify our God in heaven.
2. Pray for all residents passing through the gates of The Helping Hand's gates to encounter the amazing love of our Lord Jesus Christ.
3. Pray for God's continual leading and guidance throughout the year 2024.

WE ARE ACTIVELY RAISING FUNDS TO SUPPORT TWO KEY INITIATIVES:

1. Fire Safety Compliance: We are prioritizing the safety of our residents, staff and volunteers by ensuring compliance with fire safety regulations. These funds will help us complete the necessary works to obtain our Fire Safety Certification, creating a safer environment for everyone involved in our daily rehabilitation and reintegration efforts.
2. Work Therapy Program: Your contributions will also enable us to expand our work therapy initiatives, providing residents with valuable job skills and practical work experience. This fosters self-sufficiency and empowers them to build productive, independent lives.

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