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Over 2,500 gathered to celebrate the spirit of giving at the Community Chest Getai-Xinyao Charity Concert 2019

Singapore 27 April 2019 – Since its inception in 1983, Community Chest has been at the forefront of supporting those in need in our communities, working with different corporate partners, donors and volunteers to help build a more caring and inclusive Singapore. As part of its ongoing outreach efforts and to mark the Singapore Bicentennial celebrations this year, Community Chest presents the second edition of the **Community Chest Getai-Xinyao Charity Concert 2019**.



Artistes Cavin Soh, Brian Ng and Desmond Lim performing at Community Chest Getai-Xinyao Charity Concert 2019 (Photo: Community Chest)

A concert for the community by the community, the Community Chest Getai-Xinyao Charity Concert 2019 saw about 800 corporate partners and donors join social service users, foreign workers, volunteers, grassroots leaders and residents from Tanjong Pagar and those in the vicinity in a celebration of the spirit of giving through lively music and performances. More than 2,500 guests enjoyed two hours of rousing performances of Xinyao classic songs by some of

Singapore's most beloved Getai-Xinyao artistes including Hao Hao, Wallace Ang, Cavin Soh and Bao Bei Jie Mei. The OnWheels Dance Group, a wheelchair dance community comprising volunteers, persons with physical disabilities and a deaf individual, also showcased their talent and love for dance through a choreographed performance. To commemorate the Singapore Bicentennial, the concert will also showcase the evolution of the local Getai-Xinyao music scene.



***OnWheels Dance Group performing at Community Chest Getai-Xinyao Charity Concert 2019
(Photo: Community Chest)***

For the first time, the Community Chest Getai-Xinyao Concert 2019 also saw celebrity chefs coming together to give back by creating a delicious spread of local delicacies for concert guests. They included among others, Chef Eric Teo and Chef Daniel Koh. In support of their favourite chef and in the spirit of giving, concert guests were also encouraged to make a donation to raise funds to support Community Chest and its causes, namely children with special needs and youth-at-risk, adults with disabilities, families in need, vulnerable seniors and persons with mental health conditions, via mobile applications such as Singtel Dash Wallet and DBS PayNow.



Celebrity chef Eric Teo treated the crowd to his signature chilli crab at Community Chest Getai-Xinyao Charity Concert 2019 (Photo: Community Chest)

Joining the celebrations at the concert was Mr Desmond Lee, Minister for Social and Family Development. He was accompanied by special guests including Ms Indranee Rajah, Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Finance and Second Minister for Education; Mr Sam Tan, Minister of State, Ministry of Social and Family Development; and Members of Parliament Dr Chia Shi-Lu, Mr Melvin Yong and Ms Joan Pereira.



Minister Lee with special guests, service users and Community Chest reps sang the finale song at Charity Concert (Photo: Community Chest)

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About Community Chest

As the hallmark of care and share, Community Chest has been uniting the community to fundraise and serve those in need, since 1983. With the aim to enable every individual to live with dignity within a caring and inclusive society, Community Chest supports about 80 social service organisations to meet underserved, critical social needs. As our fundraising and operating costs are covered mainly by Tote Board Group, 100% of your contributions goes towards empowering the lives of:

- Children with special needs and youth-at-risk
- Adults with disabilities
- Families in need
- Vulnerable seniors
- Persons with mental health conditions

In 2019, as Singapore reflects on its progress and milestones since its founding 200 years ago, Community Chest aims to highlight the importance and power of community giving and sharing, and how it has been integral to the success of Singapore since its early days.

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