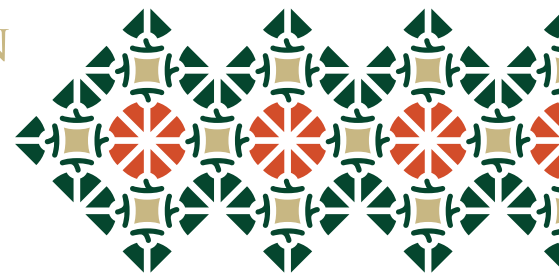


TAN CHIN TUAN
FOUNDATION

— REVIEW —
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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dr Tan Kheng Lian



In 2014 and 2015, the Tan Chin Tuan Foundation (TCTF) deepened its engagement with charities and partners through its grants and programmes. For instance, the YMCA-Tan Chin Tuan Community Service Programmes received a \$340,000 gift from the foundation over the two years, to fuel youth volunteer outreach and fund activities for the disabled, elderly and youth-at-risk. New leaders were groomed from these volunteers.

TCTF also facilitated cross-cluster collaborations with charities, to jointly benefit underprivileged children, lonely seniors and needy households. Over the last two years, the TCTF team doubled the impact of its signature programmes such as "Project Cheer" and "More Than Words". Consequently, more than 2,000 students and seniors from over 80 TCTF-supported organisations were linked through these meaningful activities.

Every year, a large number of needy litigants are not represented by lawyers, or are at a loss with the complexities of the judicial system. At the State Courts, a charity called The Community Justice Centre (CJC) has assisted over 30,000 needy litigants-in-person since it was started in 2013 with seed funding from the foundation. TCTF council member Chew Kwee San served as Deputy Chairman on the CJC Board and TCTF CEO Yap Su-Yin contributed to its

programmes committee by offering guidance and stewardship. With an additional donation from TCTF on top of the initial grant, coupled with growing support from lawyers, judges and other partners, the CJC will expand its services, and actively engage volunteers and community partners to render more well-rounded help to court users in distress.

Education remains a priority. Our endowments to Singapore's premier varsities, the National University of Singapore (NUS) and the Nanyang Technological University (NTU), are premised on the following objectives: to spur an acquiring intellect, to advance research, and to enhance knowledge-sharing amongst academics and educational institutions.

A \$20 million Tan Chin Tuan Centennial Fund at NTU, which was formed by the Singapore Government matching dollar-for-dollar our \$10 million endowed gift to NTU in 2008, was used to set up a professorship in Engineering and the Tan Chin Tuan Exchange Fellowship. The programme provided a conduit for faculty to establish cooperation and deeper ties with leading researchers overseas. During that period, the research fellow would work with colleagues in another research institution and in the process, foster ties. Over the years, we have supported more than 300 research fellows, and in the process



they have created 340 collaborations between NTU and about 150 universities and research institutions.

In 2015, the Yale-NUS College campus was officially inaugurated by Singapore's Prime Minister, Mr Lee Hsien Loong. An endowment of \$5 million from the foundation was channelled to kick-start two initiatives to promote greater understanding about China and Chinese civilisation. First, a Tan Chin Tuan Professorship in China and Chinese Studies; second, the Tan Chin Tuan Chinese Culture and Civilisation Programme for undergraduates, including scholarships for Chinese language immersion for six to eight weeks in China and Taiwan. In the new Tan Chin Tuan Lecture Theatre at Yale-NUS College

hangs a Tan Sri (Dr) Tan Chin Tuan quote that reminds undergraduates that "Life is a marathon, not a sprint".

Indeed, while a significant part of continuing Tan Sri (Dr) Tan Chin Tuan's legacy is in sharing what we have with the underprivileged, we wish also to share my late father's wisdom with younger generations. Hence, every year, we meet our scholars, eminent academics and other grant recipients at the Tan Chin Tuan Mansion. It is an occasion to get to know one another, for them to meet their benefactors, for us to pass on the values of the founder, and to have everyone, including the extended Tan family, to be more involved in the philanthropic journey of the Tan Chin Tuan Foundation.

CEO'S MESSAGE

Yap Su-Yin

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Actionable philanthropy goes beyond disbursing donations. In the years 2014 and 2015, the foundation donated to about 300 charities in Singapore and supported about 70 charitable causes

in the neighbouring ASEAN countries. Through as many as 211 activities, TCTF brought those in need closer to resources that were not at their disposal.





We brokered conversations by tapping our philanthropic and business networks. This involved bringing people from varied segments of society – charities, academia and corporates – to contribute their gifts of time, money or know-how. We also fostered partnerships amongst charities that commonly would not be in the same network, for instance, charities serving the elderly with those serving youth-at-risk. We found that by interlocking social capital through both cash and in-kind assistance, we could go a longer way in cultivating our social ecosystem.

In all, 400 charities and 5,000 beneficiaries participated in TCTF-initiated programmes. These succeeded largely because of close collaboration with hundreds of charities, with many consulting the Tan Chin Tuan Foundation on how they could secure more donors, improve the way they raised funds, reach out to more volunteers, or better manage their programmes.

It has been about 40 years since the foundation was started in 1976, due to the foresight and generosity of its founder Tan Sri (Dr) Tan Chin Tuan. The late Tan Sri Tan, fondly referred to as “Mr Rock Solid”, was renowned as much for his compassion and integrity, as for his exemplary stewardship of various blue-chip companies.

Today, his family members remain active in the foundation. As council members, they make time to meet with charities and scholarship recipients and to personally host them at their family home, the Tan Chin Tuan Mansion. The personal touch is not lost on our numerous grant recipients. Throughout the year, they send us greeting cards, letters and emails, to convey their appreciation and to share how our assistance have helped them.

To help charities improve in the areas of accountability and good governance, we have funded initiatives where staff from charities could attend training to improve the way they raised funds or interacted with clients. We also sponsored charities that made efforts to strengthen their internal processes and regulatory compliance. And, aside from helping to develop the Charity Transparency Framework, I have served as a judge for the Charity Governance Awards since it began in 2012 as a national-level award to recognise charities that excel in good governance. This is because it is imperative that assistance to charities meet the intended outcomes efficiently and in impactful ways.

We will continue to walk this journey alongside the many individuals and entities devoted to helping the deserving and less privileged.



TCTF AS ENABLER



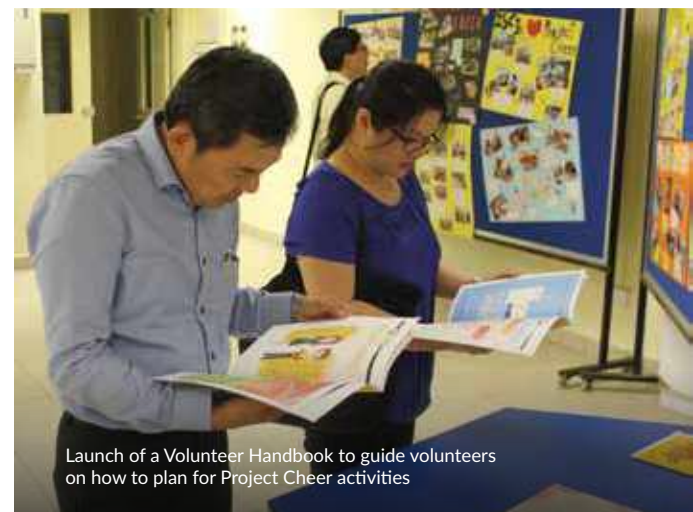
PROJECT CHEER

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
ANGLO-CHINESE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Exemplifying Values-in-Action, Project Cheer rallied over 300 students to plan their own community projects.

Anglo-Chinese Junior College students were introduced by TCTF to charities, enabling them to understand the needs of the beneficiaries before customising suitable befriending activities.

Groups that took on the “double-deck” challenge first carried out interactive activities with the children, before teaming up with them to bring cheer to the elderly. The dual challenge of bringing cheer to the young and old reiterated how sound values and planning can translate into positive action.





Student groups were evaluated based on crisis management, creativity, execution, enthusiasm and resourcefulness. The winning groups were commended for their efforts during the Project Cheer Closing Tea.



"TCTF certainly brought cheer to the elders. We love you for loving them as your own."

*Anita Coriana, Centre Manager
St Luke's Eldercare*

MORE THAN WORDS

More Than Words emphasised an imaginative approach to teaching and learning. TCTF encouraged children to read more and express themselves as they embarked on a meaningful and enjoyable learning journey with complimentary workshops and excursions.





TCTF arts partners presented upcoming programmes in speech and drama, dance, music and theatre offered under More Than Words. The introductory tea connected past, present and future collaborators, fostering communication between participants and practitioners.

EVENTS

2014

- Critics' Club children engaged in a "Spot The Difference" interactive musical and watched their critiques and feedback come to life in a partnership with I Theatre
- Weekly instalments of "Training-the-Children" dance and music, storytelling, speech and drama workshops conducted by MoonShadow Stories, The Little Arts Academy and ACTs of life
- Creative writing workshop with Janus Education
- "Magic Porridge Pot" musical in partnership with I Theatre
- "Puss In Boots" musical in partnership with I Theatre

2015

- "More Than Words Tea Session" to introduce charities to the annual line-up of programmes and TCTF arts partners
- "Training-the-Trainers" workshops for charity staff in the social service sector in partnership with ACTs of life, SG Creations Etc. and Singapore Repertory Theatre
- "Training-the-Children" workshops for children under the care of TCTF-supported charities, in partnership with ACTs of life, The Little Arts Academy and former TCTF Scholar, Tran Thanh Xuan
- Mock Press Conference with cast and crew from Sri Warisan Performing Arts School in their production of "Magika Pak Pandir"
- Creative writing workshop with New Town CareHut
- Broadcasting Workshop – two-day interactive training of radio theory and technical skills with NUS Radio Pulze
- Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum visit in partnership with the National University of Singapore





PERFORMANCE & BOOK LAUNCH

Not many children are coached professionally to be stage performers or have the opportunity to become published illustrators and authors.

Hundreds of children served by TCTF-supported charities condensed their learning points into a showcase and a book publication.

To encourage creative learning, TCTF sponsored excursions and workshop training for children and adults.

Children showcased their learning to parents, charity supporters and other children.



Morning Star Community Services



Young guests read the More Than Words book written by children for children.

BE THE CHANGE YOU CAN BE

Our young beneficiaries' imaginations were fired up through creative writing workshops and story-telling sessions. They were encouraged to express themselves through words and illustrations.

The children not only opened up by sharing ideas, they also immersed themselves in penning stories, poetry and essays, and seeing their original works published in two books "Singapore 2114: My Dream, Our Future" and "C.H.A.N.G.E.".

Each participant was given a copy of the book, to read aloud and share with their friends and families, hence passing on their enjoyment for books, reading and writing.





Storytelling class with Kamini Ramachandran, co-founder of Moonshadow Stories.



Training-the-Trainers workshops with Singapore Repertory Theatre and ACTs of life.

TRAINING

In 2015, the foundation introduced “Training-the-Trainers” workshops for staff of charities to immerse themselves in techniques that could help them engage their beneficiaries better. Skills to help the children under their care included applied drama for conflict resolution, and games for reflection and self-awareness.

Children and teens from charities were connected to our network of art practitioners in dance, music, creative writing, story-telling, speech and drama, as well as brought on excursions to museums and musicals – opportunities that may be out of reach to many due to family circumstances.



PARTNERSHIPS

The foundation collaborated with voluntary welfare organisations, governmental and academic entities. We were able to share our expertise and resources with our beneficiaries. Our council members and senior management also shared best practices through talks, conferences and media interviews to improve the charity sector.

- Brahm Centre: Promote physical, emotional and mental well-being.
- Caregivers Alliance: Support families and caregivers of persons with mental illness.
- Community Justice Centre: Access to justice for needy litigants.
- YMCA-Tan Chin Tuan Community Service Programmes: Volunteer-driven programmes to bring cheer to charity beneficiaries.





TCTF seeded the set-up of the Community Justice Centre, in partnership with the Ministry of Social and Family Development, Ministry of Law, State Courts and the Law Society of Singapore, to offer pro bono legal and emotional support to needy litigants-in-person.



Tête-à-Tête @ TCTF series: Brahm Centre Executive Director, Ms Angie Chew



ENCORE! THE EUROPEAN SEASON IN SINGAPORE

With the support of TCTF as its founding partner, Encore! The European Season in Singapore (Encore!) continues to dedicate various educational shows and workshops to charitable organisations as a way of giving back to the local community through the sharing of European arts and culture.



"The children certainly enjoyed themselves! The school teacher and I were most impressed with the level of engagement that the Players Theatre produced – being able to use simple language and questions to draw out responses from the children."

Ms Elly Sim, CARE Singapore on TCTF's Critics' Club reviewing "Roald Dahl's The BFG" play



Clowning Workshop with YMCA
Student Care Centre @ East View
facilitated by Evolve Arts.



Tying in with the foundation's More Than Words programme, about 400 beneficiaries from 20 charities attended exhibitions, workshops and performances. The children's creativity and imagination were further encouraged through activities jointly organised with Encore!, which enabled the children to express themselves.



DreamWorks Animation Exhibition with PPIS
Student Care Centre (Bedok) and Yong-En Care
Centre at ArtScience Museum.

TAN CHIN TUAN NURSING AWARDS FOR ENROLLED NURSES

Initiated by D.S. Lee Foundation in 2006, this annual award recognises exemplary enrolled nurses who bring comfort to the sick. The award was set up in honour of the late eminent banker and philanthropist, Tan Sri (Dr) Tan Chin Tuan.

Singapore General Hospital Principal Enrolled Nurse Mr Sozhavalavan s/o Govindasamy Pillai Suppayan received the highest accolade for enrolled nurses in Singapore from Ms Chew and Speaker of Parliament Mdm Halimah Yacob in 2015.

"We honour and thank you for your dedication and passion in caring for your patients and in supporting their caregivers. Your achievements are an inspiration to us all."

Ms Chew Gek Khim, Deputy Chairman, Tan Chin Tuan Foundation expressed appreciation for enrolled nurses.



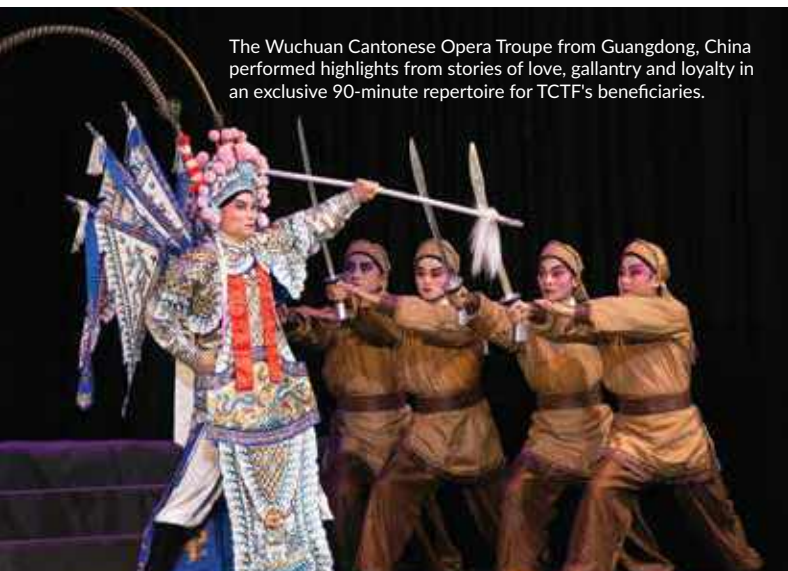
9th Tan Chin Tuan Nursing Award for Enrolled Nurses



CANTONESE OPERA

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ACRE ACES LIMITED AND THE RICE COMPANY

The launch of the Tan Chin Tuan Caring Series in 2015 brought close to 1,000 elderly beneficiaries for a cultural treat with “An Afternoon of Cantonese Opera” at Kreta Ayer People’s Theatre.



The Wuchuan Cantonese Opera Troupe from Guangdong, China performed highlights from stories of love, gallantry and loyalty in an exclusive 90-minute repertoire for TCTF's beneficiaries.

“In organising this matinee exclusively for charity, we express our appreciation for those active in charity work, and especially the older generation who toiled to give us a peaceful and prosperous Singapore.”

*Ms Yap Su-Yin
CEO, Tan Chin Tuan Foundation*



CAPACITY BUILDING

TCTF was presented with the Singapore Tatler Community Service Award for Family Philanthropy on 7 August 2014. Council member Ms Chew Gek Hiang received the award and shared about the importance of strategic giving and the impact of our work.

Drawing inspiration from her grandfather, Tan Sri (Dr) Tan Chin Tuan, Ms Chew spoke about how the foundation's present-day leadership believes in "social investing", channelling its support to achievable, measurable and sustainable causes.

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- ACT! Conference on At-Risk Youths organised by CARE Singapore.
- Balancing a Governance Triangle organised by Shared Services for Charities.
- Charity Governance Conference.
- CASE (Council for Advancement and Support of Education) Asia Pacific Conference in Hong Kong.

TCTF CEO Ms Yap Su-Yin has been a judge for the Charity Governance Awards since 2012 and a panellist for the Charity Governance Conference.

At a talk on “Balancing a Governance Triangle” organised by Shared Services for Charities, Ms Yap elaborated on best practices in charity governance.

Ms Yap also introduced TCTF's More Than Words programme to educators and social workers in a workshop on “Creativity, Communication and Mindfulness in Building Resilience for Youths” at the ACT! Conference on At-Risk Youths.



Charity Governance Conference 2015



Balancing a Governance Triangle



ACT! Conference on At-Risk Youths

