

## **ANNEX A - EXAMPLES OF GIVING**

### **1 “You’ll Never Walk Alone by Community Chest”**

A new campaign “You’ll Never Walk Alone by Community Chest” sees Speaker of Parliament and Advisor to the National Council of Social Service (NCSS), Mr Tan Chuan-Jin, organisations and individuals raising funds for some 80 social service agencies supported by Community Chest. As part of the campaign, there is also a silent auction of Liverpool memorabilia and collectors’ items like a pair of Nike iD Free Trainer 5.0 Custom Sneakers previously owned by Speaker Tan and donated to the charity initiative “In My Shoes” as well as an exclusive 3D model of a SAF Tank – Leopard 2SG painted by Speaker Tan.

"The song ‘You’ll Never Walk Alone’ has become an anthem of solidarity for many because of the COVID-19 situation. The lyrics are inspiring and an evergreen message of hope and call for unity. With this fundraising campaign, I hope to encourage everyone to keep supporting one another, particularly the vulnerable groups in our community. Caring for the disadvantaged should never cease, regardless of the circumstances,” said Mr Tan Chuan-Jin, Speaker of Parliament and NCSS Advisor.

### **2 Lockheed Martin**

Global security and aerospace company Lockheed Martin chose to donate their Job Support Scheme payments of more than \$280,000 to The Courage Fund and The Invictus Fund, which are managed by Community Chest. Despite having its headquarters in the USA, Lockheed Martin wanted to give back to benefit those in need.

“Lockheed Martin stands in solidarity with the people of Singapore in addressing and overcoming COVID-19. In support of our front-line medical and essential workers as well as vulnerable communities, we are pleased to contribute to The Courage Fund and The Invictus Fund as a gesture of our thanks and care. The unprecedented impact of the COVID-19 pandemic has had significant impact on many of the nations with whom we have the deepest partnerships, and we are committed to contribute to the relief efforts in the communities of which we are a part,” said Mr Andrew Linstead, Vice-President and Regional Executive for Asia, Lockheed Martin.

### **3 Blackstone Singapore**

Private equity firm Blackstone Singapore, its employees and Blackstone Charitable Foundation donated a total of \$837,000 to Community Chest to support at-risk communities, including foreign workers, low-income families, seniors and persons living with mental health conditions.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has had a devastating impact on millions of people around the world. Governments, multilateral agencies, civil societies and individuals, particularly health and social workers, have been working tirelessly to protect lives and livelihoods. It is in keeping with this spirit that we at Blackstone Singapore, together with the Blackstone Charitable Foundation, stand in solidarity with Community Chest to help those in Singapore who are most impacted by this pandemic,” said Mr Gautam Banerjee, Chairman of Blackstone Singapore.

4 Grapple MAX Pro Wrestling Fitness School

Although the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in the cancellation of a sold-out show with Grapple MAX providing refunds given to ticket holders, it did not deter them from wanting to do their part to help the community.

Confidence, fitness and positive change – these are values that Grapple MAX hopes to bring to the community in times of great need. In partnership with the Community Foundation of Singapore, the pro wrestling fitness school hopes that their values will help galvanise Singaporeans to fight and support our healthcare professionals defending Singapore against COVID-19.

In support of the Sayang Sayang Fund, Grapple MAX trainers and students came together to organise “FIGHTING SPIRIT”, a unique pro wrestling show streamed on Facebook, to show appreciation and raised \$6,000 for our healthcare professionals battling COVID-19.

5 Soul Group Project

Amanda Moo, an entrepreneur who started her online business only a few months before the onset of the pandemic contacted Community Foundation of Singapore to donate 10 per cent of her sales to Sayang Sayang Fund as her own contribution to help during the COVID-19 situation.

As a start-up, Amanda feels the pinch during this period but she also feels really blessed with the continuous support and encouragement from her loved ones and customers. She feels for others who are worse off or may also be facing a hard time. She designated May 2020 as “a month of kindness” and donated her 10 per cent of her sales to the Sayang Sayang Fund. It is her way of giving back to the community, and a reminder to help those in need during this challenging time.

6 The City of Good Show

NVPC launched the pilot City of Good Show on 9 May 2020. Galvanising a group of local comedians, the City of Good Show was a live stream fundraising variety show that garnered 88,000 views and donations of \$21,435 as of 18 May 2020.

NVPC also collaborated with Dream Academy to produce seven more episodes of the fundraising show in aid of a specific cause each week:

24 June – Arts & Heritage

1 July – Disability

8 July – Children & Youth

15 July – Social Service

22 July – Community

29 July – Children & Youth

5 August – Social Service

Well-loved comedians such as Selena Tan, Pam Oei, and Hossan Leong will come together with guest performers such as the cast of Crazy Rich Asians to bring comic relief, reminding us that even in these difficult times, everyone can play a part in making this a City of Good.