The Commissioner of Charities

**Assistance Schemes for Charities**

This document serves as a compilation of the key assistance schemes and grants available which are relevant and useful for charities. It can serve as a reference point for all charities, regardless of sector, to be aware of the support available and whom you can reach out to.

Amidst the many changes during this period, we will strive to keep this document as updated as possible, for you. Should you be aware of any other assistance that may be useful for your fellow charities, please let us know too.

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# **Applicable to all sectors**

## Funding schemes

| **Agency** | **Scheme** | **Details and Eligibility** | **Website / Contact Point** |
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| **Commissioner of Charities** | **VWOs-Charities Capability Fund (VCF)**  *Aims to enhance the governance and management capabilities of charities, as well as their operational efficiency.* | All registered and exempt charities and Institutions of a Public Character (IPCs) can apply.  The VCF has been expanded to include the following:   * Training:   + Supports up to 80% for online training courses. * Consultancy:   + Supports up to 80% for collaborative projects amongst charities that aim to enhance charities’ governance, management and operational efficiency. To qualify as a collaborative project, it must involve and benefit at least 2 charities concurrently. Applications may be submitted anytime throughout the year. * Info-Communications Technology:   + Supports up to 80% for digital solutions in areas such as remote working, volunteer and donor management, fundraising and cybersecurity.   + Supports up to 70% for basic infrastructure components/ tools such as computer, printer and office automation tools, website development costs, subscription charges of video and audio-conferencing tools for charities.   + Support up to 100% for one time on-boarding fees, and monthly subscription for the 1st 12 months for iShine IT solutions. * Shared Services:   + Increase funding from 25% to 50% of monthly charges for 1st year and up to 25% for 2nd year for the outsourcing of payroll, finance and accounting functions. | W:  [www.ncss.gov.sg/vcf](http://www.ncss.gov.sg/vcf)  E: [seri\_noryanna@ncss.gov.sg](mailto:seri_noryanna@ncss.gov.sg);  [gurdip\_kumar@ncss.gov.sg](mailto:gurdip_kumar@ncss.gov.sg) |
| **Commissioner of Charities** | **Crowdfunding Platforms’ Fees**  *Support for charities on crowdfunding platform.* | All charities.  Please write to the respective crowdfunding platform to enquire directly.   * Giving.sg (under NVPC): 3% fees waived till 31 Mar 2022. * Give.Asia: Does not charge a platform fee to charities. * SimplyGiving: Does not charge a platform fee to charities. * Ray of Hope Initiative Limited (ROHI): Have always been absorbing the platform fees. | **Giving.Sg**  W: <https://www.giving.sg>  E: [hello@giving.sg](mailto:hello@giving.sg)  **Give.Asia**  W: <https://give.asia>  E-form: <https://help.give.asia/contact>  **Simply Giving**  W: <https://www.simplygiving.com>  E: [hello@simplygiving.com](mailto:hello@simplygiving.com)  **Ray of Hope Initiative**  W: <https://rayofhope.sg>  E: [info@rayofhope.sg](mailto:info@rayofhope.sg) |
| **Infocomm Media Development Authority**  **(IMDA)** | **Our Singapore Fund for Digital Readiness**  *Aims to empower Singaporeans play a part in spearheading community projects to prepare fellow Singaporeans seize the benefits of the digital future.* | Projects must meet eligibility criteria and assessment criteria to be funded of up to 80% of supported cost, subject to a maximum of $20,000 per project. Projects that merit higher funding will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.  Organisation which may apply:   * Not-for-profit organisation that is a Public Company Limited by Guarantee with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA), or Registry of Societies (ROS), or Charitable Trust registered with the Commissioner of Charities (COC), or Co-operative registered with the Registry of Co-operative Societies, or Trade Unions, or Social Enterprise with raiSE. * Company that is registered with ACRA.   Groups of Individuals who may apply:   * minimum 2 Singaporeans or Permanent Residents * 18 years and above | W:  <https://www.imda.gov.sg/programme-listing/our-singapore-fund-for-digital-readiness>  E: [info@imda.gov.sg](mailto:info@imda.gov.sg) |
| **Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS)** | **Wage Credit Scheme (WCS)**  *Supports wage increments given to Singaporeans. Extension will bolster support for wage increments for companies to build up their local workforce.* | Extended by one year to 2021, with the government co-funding ratio remaining at 15% and the qualifying gross wage ceiling at $5,000.  Besides new qualifying wage increases in 2021, gross monthly wage increases (at least $50) previously given in 2019 and 2020 will continue to be co-funded if they are sustained into 2021.  Application not required, IRAS will notify eligible employers. | W: <https://www.iras.gov.sg/irashome/Schemes/Businesses/Wage-Credit-Scheme--WCS-/>  E: [wcs@iras.gov.sg](mailto:wcs@iras.gov.sg)  T: 1800 352 4727 |
| **Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS)** | **Jobs Growth Incentive (JGI)**  *Provide wage support to employers to accelerate their hiring of local workers, with a special focus on mature workers.* | The Jobs Growth Incentive (JGI) supports employers to accelerate their hiring of local workers from September 2020 to September 2021 (inclusive), so as to create good and long-term jobs for locals.    The JGI will provide up to 12 months of salary support for each non-mature local hire and up to 18 months of salary support for each mature hire aged 40 and above, person with disabilities or ex-offender hired by employers that fulfil the JGI’s qualifying criteria within the qualifying window.   * Up to 25% for all JGI-eligible local hires, subject to a cap * Up to 50% for JGI-eligible mature hires aged 40 and above, persons with disabilities, and ex-offenders, subject to a cap | W:  <https://www.iras.gov.sg/irashome/Schemes/Businesses/Jobs-Growth-Incentive--JGI-/>  T: 1800 352 4727 |
| **Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS)** | **Jobs Support Scheme (JSS)**  *Provide wage support to employers to help retain local employees (Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents) during this period of economic uncertainty.* | For firms in badly hit sectors by up to six months, covering wages paid up to September 2021, at further tapered support levels.  Enhanced JSS for affected sectors from 22 July to 18 August 2021   * JSS support is enhanced to 60% for sectors where the tightened measures require them to suspend many, if not all, of their activities. These include food & beverage (F&B) businesses, gyms, fitness studios, performing arts organisations and arts education centres. * JSS support is enhanced to 40% for sectors that are significantly affected by the restrictions. These include the retail sector, affected personal care services, tourist attractions, licensed hotels, cruise and regional ferry operators, MICE organisers, travel agents, museums, art galleries, cinema operators and other family entertainment centres. JSS support for these sectors will taper to 10% from 19 to 31 August 2021.   Application for the JSS is not required, IRAS will notify eligible employers. | W: <https://www.iras.gov.sg/irashome/Schemes/Businesses/Jobs-Support-Scheme--JSS-/>  Online enquiry Form: <https://go.gov.sg/payout>  T: 1800 352 4728 |
| **Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS)** | **Rental Support Scheme (RSS)**  *Support businesses with rental costs.* | Rental relief to SMEs, and eligible NPOs with an annual revenue not exceeding $100 million, who are tenant-occupiers of qualifying commercial properties.   * Additional 4-week rental waiver for qualifying tenants on Government-owned commercial properties, * Additional 2-week rental relief cash payout for qualifying tenant-occupiers and owner-occupiers of privately-owned commercial properties   This will offset rent for the full duration of P2(HA) for Government-owned commercial properties, and half the P2(HA) duration for privately-owned commercial properties. | W:  <https://www.iras.gov.sg> |
| **Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS)** | **Extension of the 250% Tax Deduction for Qualifying Donations to Institutions of a Public Character (IPCs)**  *Encourages Singaporeans to give back to the community, and to provide strong support for the charity sector.* | Extend 250% tax deduction for qualifying donations made to IPCs and other qualifying recipients for another two years,   * i.e. for donations made during the period 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2023 (both dates inclusive). | Donors can visit IRAS website at [www.iras.gov.sg/IRASHome/Individuals/Locals/Working-Out-Your-Taxes/Deductions-for-Individuals/Donations/](http://www.iras.gov.sg/IRASHome/Individuals/Locals/Working-Out-Your-Taxes/Deductions-for-Individuals/Donations/)  Corporate donors can contact IRAS at 1800 356 8622; or email [ctmail@iras.gov.sg](mailto:ctmail@iras.gov.sg)  Individual donors can contact IRAS at 1800 356 8300; or email [taxqueries@iras.gov.sg](mailto:taxqueries@iras.gov.sg)  Interested IPCs can visit ([www.charities.gov.sg](http://www.charities.gov.sg)); contact Charities Hotline at 6337 6597; or email [MCCY\_Charities@mccy.gov.sg](mailto:MCCY_Charities@mccy.gov.sg) |
| **Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth (MCCY)** | **Our Singapore Fund**  *Supports meaningful projects by passionate Singaporeans that build national identity or meet social and community needs.* | Up to 80% of supported costs, subject to a maximum of $20,000, per project.  For individuals who must be a Singapore Citizen/Permanent Resident, who is 18 years old and above, and residing in Singapore  For groups, the organisation must be   * A company that is registered with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA); or * A not-for-Profit organisation that is a Public Company Limited by guarantee registered with * Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA); or * Society registered with Registry of Societies (ROS); or * Charitable Trust registered with the Commissioner of Charities (COC); or * Co-Operative registered with the Registry of Co-operative Societies; * or Trade Union registered with Registry of Trade Unions | W: [www.sg/oursingaporefund/getting-started](http://www.sg/oursingaporefund/getting-started) |
| **Ministry of Manpower (MOM)** | **Workfare Special Payment (WSP)**  *Provides support for eligible low-wage workers.* | Cash pay-outs of $3,000.   * Low-wage workers aged 35 and above in 2019 * Eligibility widened to those who received Workfare Income Supplement (WIS) for work done in 2020, and who are not already receiving the Special Payment. * New eligible recipients will receive the full one-off WSP of $3,000 from Oct 2020 onwards. | W:  <http://www.workfare.gov.sg>  E: [workfare@govtopup.gov.sg](mailto:workfare@govtopup.gov.sg)  T: 1800 227 1188 |
| **Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF)** | **COVID-19 Recovery Grant (CRG)**  *Provides cash assistance to workers who are presently unemployed or facing salary loss due to COVID-19.* | Provides cash assistance of up to $700 per month for three months.  (Application period from 18 Jan to 31 Dec 2021)  Singaporean or Permanent Residents who meet all the following criteria will be eligible for the COVID-19 Recovery Grant:   * Aged 21 and above * Fall into any of the following groups:   + Presently unemployed due to retrenchment or contract termination as a result of COVID-19, but was employed as a full-time or part-time permanent or contract staff prior to job loss   + Placed on involuntary No-Pay Leave (NPL) for at least three consecutive months   + Salary loss of at least 50% for at least three consecutive months   + Net Trade Income (NTI) loss of at least 50% on average for Self-Employer Persons, for at least three consecutive months * Prior to job or income loss, household income of not more than $7,800, or per capita household income of not more than $2,600 * Living in a property with annual value not more than $21,000 and does not own more than one property   Applicants must have worked for at least 6 months in 2019-2020, and actively participated in job search or training. Full-time National Servicemen (NSF), current recipients of ComCare, and current recipients of the COVID-19 Driver Relief Fund are not eligible for the COVID-19 Recovery Grant.  Applications open from 18 January 2021 – 31 December 2021, 9am to 10pm daily. | W:  [https://go.gov.sg/CRG](https://go.gov.sg/CSG)  T: 1800 222 0000 |
| **Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF)** | **COVID-19 Recovery Grant (Temporary) (CRG-T)**  *Provides one-off support for lower- to middle-income employees and self-employed persons who are financially impacted as a result of the tightened measures.* | * Up to $700 for those who were placed on involuntary no-pay leave * Up to $500 for those who lost at least 50% of their income for at least one month due to tightened safe management measures (since 16 May 2021). * Existing CRG-T recipients who continue to require assistance can apply for a second CRG-T support payout.   Applications open till 31 August 2021. | W: [www.msf.gov.sg/assistance/Pages/covid-recovery-grant-temporary.aspx](http://www.msf.gov.sg/assistance/Pages/covid-recovery-grant-temporary.aspx) |
| **Ministry of Transport (MOT)** | **COVID-19 Driver Relief Fund**  *Support for Taxi and Private Hire Car Drivers* | * CDRF provides eligible drivers with $10/vehicle/day for 60 days from July 2021, and $5/vehicle/day for the next 30 days. * Receive an additional $10/vehicle/day from 22 July to 31 August 2021, and an additional $5/vehicle/day in September 2021.   From 16 May 2021 to end-September 2021. | W: [LTA | News Room | news-releases | Additional $30 Million to Enhance the COVID-19 Driver Relief Fund to Support Taxi and Private Hire Car Drivers](https://www.lta.gov.sg/content/ltagov/en/newsroom/2021/7/news-releases/Additional_30m_to_enhance_the_COVID-19_driver_relief_fund.html) |
| **National Council of Social Service (NCSS)** | **Community Chest (ComChest)’s SHARE as One programme**  *Encourages individual giving in a sustainable manner and create volunteering opportunities as part of corporate social responsibility (CSR) efforts.* | Provide dollar-for-dollar matching on new and incremental donations through SHARE over and above donation levels of FY2015, from FY2016 to FY2021.   * Extended for a further two years till FY2023 * Continue to match additional donations made through SHARE * Dollar-for-dollar matching will be given for new and incremental donations through SHARE over and above donation levels of the preceding year   For companies, 50% of the matching grant can be used to offset the costs incurred in advancing their CSR initiatives. This is capped at $10,000 per company per year. | W:  [www.comchest.gov.sg/share-as-one](http://www.comchest.gov.sg/share-as-one) |
| **National Council of Social Service (NCSS)** | **Change for Charity Grant**  *As part of the SG Cares movement, to encourage individuals to give as part of their daily lives, by incorporating giving opportunities into customer transactions.*  *Encourage businesses to match donations from their customers, as part of their corporate giving.* | * Match donations made by consumers through businesses’ payment platforms * Provide additional matching if businesses match their customers’ donations   + Businesses can receive a one-off enabler grant to cover a portion of the costs incurred when they enable giving capabilities through their payment platforms   Donations and matching grant proceeds will go toward ComChest to support critical social service programmes and services.  Programme will run for five years, from FY2021 to FY2025. The Ministry of Social and Family Development will provide more details at its Committee of Supply. | E: [NCSS\_ComChest@ncss.gov.sg](mailto:NCSS_ComChest@ncss.gov.sg)  T: 1800 210 2600 |
| **National Volunteer & Philanthropy Centre (NVPC)** | **Business and IPC Partnership Scheme (BIPS)**  *Supports corporate volunteerism.* | Businesses enjoy a 250% tax deduction on wages and qualifying expenses when their staff volunteer or provide services to IPCs, which includes secondments.  BIPS is extended for qualifying expenditure incurred for services or corporate volunteering up to 31 December 2023.  Volunteering projects have to be mutually agreed between the business and the IPC. These projects can include general activities and skills-based activities.  Qualifying expenditure is subject to a cap of $250,000 per business per year of assessment and a cap of $50,000 per IPC per calendar year. | Businesses can visit ([cityofgood.sg/organisations/](https://cityofgood.sg/organisations/)) or contact NVPC at [contact@companyofgood.sg](file:///C:/Users/MOFRKLA/AppData/Local/Microsoft/Windows/INetCache/Content.Outlook/C5ST06F7/contact@companyofgood.sg).    Interested IPCs can visit ([www.charities.gov.sg/Publications/Pages/Publications.aspx](https://www.charities.gov.sg/Publications/Pages/Publications.aspx)), contact Charities Hotline at 6337 6597, or email [MCCY\_Charities@mccy.gov.sg](mailto:MCCY_Charities@mccy.gov.sg). |
| **Temasak Trust (TT)** | **Oscar@sg Fund**  *Supports ground-up initiatives responding to significant and/or urgent community needs in Singapore arising from the COVID-19 pandemic.* | The funding may include:   * Direct Sponsorship: up to lower of 80% of qualifying project costs or S$5,000; and * Further “dollar-for-dollar” matching with other funding sources: up to lower of S$50,000 (or until 100% of project costs are covered), with provision to increase up to S$100,000 in exceptional cases.   Application is open for:   * An individual or groups of individuals * Non-Profit Organisations registered with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA) or the Registry of Societies (ROS) | W: [www.temasektrust.org.sg/Oscar](http://www.temasektrust.org.sg/Oscar) |
| **Tote Board (TB)** | **Enhanced Fund-Raising Programme (EFR)**  *Provides charities with additional support amidst the weak economic climate, so that they can continue to support their beneficiaries.* | Support dollar-for-dollar matching capped at $250,000 per applicant in FY2021 for eligible local charitable causes.   * This applies to donations raised on physical event platforms, approved digital platforms such as Giving.sg, and websites of individual charities.   Charity must be registered with the Commissioner of Charities.   * Qualifying donations are those raised through approved fund-raising projects commencing from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 (both dates inclusive * The fund-raising project should not have benefited from other Government matching funds, such as (but not limited to) the Cultural Matching Fund or the Bicentennial Community Fund. | W:  <https://www.toteboard.gov.sg/grants/fund-raising-programme>  E: [grants@toteboard.gov.sg](mailto:grants@toteboard.gov.sg) |
| **Workforce Singapore** | **Job Redesign Under Productivity Solutions Grant (PSG-JR)**  *Provides funding support for job redesign (JR) consultancy to complement and drive both their business and workforce transformation.* | * Up to 80% of JR consultancy cost, capped at $30,000 per enterprise, till 31 March 2022. * Thereafter, the funding rate will revert back to up to 70% of the JR consultancy cost capped at $30,000.   On top of the above funding support for PSG-JR, eligible enterprises can also tap on the SkillsFuture Enterprise Credit (SFEC) to defray out-of-pocket (OOP) expenses. Eligible enterprises will receive a one-off $10,000 credit per firm to cover up to 90% of OOP expenses for SFEC supportable schemes.   * For enterprises that use the consultancy services from a list of pre-approved job redesign (JR) consultants for their JR projects. * The non-business entities that are eligible for PSG-JR include registered charities and Institutions of a Public Character and Voluntary Welfare Organisations. | W: [www.enterprisesg.gov.sg/financial-assistance/grants/for-localcompanies/skillsfuture-enterprise-credit](http://www.enterprisesg.gov.sg/financial-assistance/grants/for-localcompanies/skillsfuture-enterprise-credit) |
| **National Council of Social Services (NCSS) – Tote Board (TB) –Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth (MCCY)** | **Tech-and-GO!**  *Support charities in adopting technology to improve work processes, enhance service delivery and leverage data for better planning and management, including project consultancy modules to help with change management in digital adoption.* | For all charities (excluding religious charities) may start applying for Tech-and GO! from August 2021.  Overview:   * [Start Digital](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/IT-Solutions): up to 80% capped at $30,000 for  [pre-scoped IT solutions](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/IT-Solutions)2. * [Go Digital](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/Funding/Go-Digital-Funding): up to 80% capped at $300,000 for large scale/specialised solutions. * Fully funded Technical Advisory and [Project Consultancy](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/Consultancy): capped at $40,000 for Digital Implementation Consultancy and Digital Strategy Planning * [Start Data Protection (DP)](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/Consultancy): fully funded and capped at $6,000 | W: <https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go> |

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## Additional Assistance (non-funding related)

| **Agency** | **Scheme** | **Details and Eligibility** | **Website / Contact Point** |
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| **Commissioner of Charities** | **Temporary measures for conduct of meetings during the COVID-19 situation**  *Pursuant to Section 27 of the COVID-19 (Temporary Measurers) Act 2020, various Orders were issued to prescribe alternative arrangements for the conduct of meetings of charities to enable meetings to be held via electronic means.* | All charities.  These arrangements are intended to help charities who face challenges in holding meetings while complying with the prevailing safe distancing measures.  The Orders were amended on 6 April 2021 to extend the alternative meeting arrangements beyond 30 June 2021 (their previous expiry date), until revoked or amended by MinLaw.  Compliance with these alternative arrangements will be deemed to be compliant with the relevant provisions of written law or legal instrument in respect of which the alternative arrangements are made. The alternative arrangements are permissive, not mandatory. | W: [www.charities.gov.sg/Pages/News-and-Notices/Newsroom/News/Further-Extension-Alternative-Arrangements-Meetings.aspx](http://www.charities.gov.sg/Pages/News-and-Notices/Newsroom/News/Further-Extension-Alternative-Arrangements-Meetings.aspx)  E: [MCCY\_Charities@mccy.gov.sg](mailto:MCCY_Charities@mccy.gov.sg) |
| **Commissioner of Charities** | **“Conduct of Meetings by Charities amid COVID-19” Guide**  *This guide is developed by the COC with the Chartered Secretaries Institute of Singapore.*  *Pursuant to Section 27 of the COVID-19 (Temporary Measurers) Act 2020, various Orders were issued to prescribe alternative arrangements for the conduct of meetings of charities.* | All charities.  The Guide titled “Conduct of Meetings by Charities amid COVID-19” provides more information about how the Orders apply to charities, shares best practices on conducting virtual meetings, and the relevant resources that can support charities on this front. This includes:   1. good practices and procedures to take note of when organising virtual meetings; 2. considerations for selecting an appropriate platform for such meetings; 3. information to be provided to members at general meetings; 4. grants that charities can tap on; 5. templates that charities may adapt for their use. | W: [www.Charities.gov.sg](http://www.Charities.gov.sg)  E: [MCCY\_Charities@mccy.gov.sg](mailto:MCCY_Charities@mccy.gov.sg)  CSIS also provides free consultation sessions for charities on annual submissions and governance related matters. Charities may contact [charities@csis.org.sg](mailto:charities@csis.org.sg) to arrange for a consultation session. |
| **Commissioner of Charities** | **Shared Services Initiative for Charities**  *The COC has worked with various organisations to set up shared services for charities. Services range from board advisory services, filing of annual submissions, technological support, etc.* | All charities.  Please write to the shared services partners to enquire for assistance on specific topics. | W: <https://www.charities.gov.sg/manage-your-charity/Pages/Shared-Services-Initiative-for-Charities.aspx> |
| **Commissioner of Charities** | **Infographics on Support for Charities affected by Covid-19**  *The COC recognises that COVID-19 has presented various challenges to our charities and will be sending one-page infographic on a regular basis to all charities’ contact person via email.* | The infographics can also be accessed via the Support for Charities Banner on the Homepage.   * Issue 1 – Assistance from COC * Issue 2 – Tips on Working Remotely * Issue 3 – Tools for Working remotely * Issue 4 - Steps to secure your home’s wireless (Wi-Fi) network * Issue 5 - Resource for Charities * Issue 6 - Protecting Data when Communicating through Email * Issue 7 – Effective Online Fund-raising (P.A.R.E.N.T) * Issue 8 – Enhancements to VWOs-Charities Capability Fund (VCF) | W: [www.charities.gov.sg/Pages/News-and-Notices/Newsroom/News/Support-for-Charities-affected-by-COVID-19.aspx](http://www.charities.gov.sg/Pages/News-and-Notices/Newsroom/News/Support-for-Charities-affected-by-COVID-19.aspx)  E: [MCCY\_Charities@mccy.gov.sg](mailto:MCCY_Charities@mccy.gov.sg) |
| **Commissioner of Charities** | **Series of Webinars**  *The COC will continue to roll out series of webinars for charities with our supporting partnering agencies.* | All charities.  Upcoming events will be emailed to the Contact Persons of all charities. | W: [www.charities.gov.sg/Pages/Resource-and-Training/Events-and-Speeches/Webinars.aspx](http://www.charities.gov.sg/Pages/Resource-and-Training/Events-and-Speeches/Webinars.aspx)  E: [MCCY\_Charities@mccy.gov.sg](mailto:MCCY_Charities@mccy.gov.sg) |

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# **Sector-Specific Assistance**

## **Social & Welfare**

**Agencies:** Ministry for Social and Family Development (MSF), National Council of Social Services (NCSS)

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| **Schemes** | **Details and Eligibility** | **Website / Contact Point** |
| **COVID-19: Advisories and Resources for Social Service Agencies (SSAs)** | For Social Service Agencies. | W: <https://www.ncss.gov.sg/COVID-19>  E: [NCSS\_Membership@ncss.gov.sg](mailto:NCSS_Membership@ncss.gov.sg) |
| **Tech-and-GO!**  *Support SSAs in adopting technology to improve work processes, enhance service delivery and leverage data for better planning and management. SSAs can also choose project consultancy modules to help with change management in digital adoption.* | For Social Service Agencies.  Overview:   * [Start Digital](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/IT-Solutions): up to 80% capped at $30,000 for  [pre-scoped IT solutions](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/IT-Solutions)2. * [Go Digital](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/Funding/Go-Digital-Funding): up to 80% capped at $300,000 for large scale/specialised solutions. * Fully funded Technical Advisory and [Project Consultancy](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/Consultancy): capped at $40,000 for Digital Implementation Consultancy and Digital Strategy Planning * [Start Data Protection (DP)](https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go/Consultancy): fully funded and capped at $6,000   Non-SSAs (excluding religious charities) may start applying for Tech-and GO! from August 2021. | W: <https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/Tech-and-Go> |
| **The Courage Fund COVID-19 Relief Schemes**  *Provide relief and support to those affected by the current COVID-19 situation.* | For Individuals, Healthcare Workers, Frontline Workers, Community Volunteers and Lower-Income Household who have contracted COVID-19 or affected by COVID-19. | W: <https://www.ncss.gov.sg/Our-Initiatives/The-Courage-Fund> |

## **Health**

**Agencies:** Ministry of Health (MOH), Agency of Integrated Care (AIC), Health Promotion Board (HPB)

| **Schemes** | **Details and Eligibility** | **Website / Contact Point** |
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| **Community Care Training Grant**  *For staff training and upgrading needs in areas relevant to their work.* | Organisations that have received an award letter from AIC are eligible for this training grant. | W: <https://partners.aic.sg/manpower-development/cctg>  E: [manpower@aic.sg](mailto:manpower@aic.sg) |
| **Community Silver Trust (CST)**  *Dollar for dollar matching grant to enhance SSAs in the Community Care sector.* | Organisation must be i) an IPC and ii) receiving funding from MOH and/or MSF for the provision of Community Care Services. | W: <https://partners.aic.sg/funding-support/cst>  E: [cst@aic.sg](mailto:cst@aic.sg) |
| **Healthcare Productivity Fund**  *Support quality and productivity improvement efforts of services providers through technology adoption and process streamlining.* | For organisations providing community care services that are in line with MOH’s licensing or service requirements. | W: <https://partners.aic.sg/funding-support/overview/hpf>  E: [hpf@aic.sg](mailto:hpf@aic.sg) |
| **Tote Board Community Healthcare Fund**  *Equip non-profit organisations with the resources to implement and carry out their community-led preventive health and community care programmes. This fund seeks to build a healthier nation, enhance quality of life for patients and improve affordability and accessibility of healthcare services.* | Non-profit organisations that have programmes which strengthen preventive health, provide community care and/or build capabilities of healthcare services can apply. | W: [www.hpb.gov.sg/partners/grants/the-tote-board-community-healthcare-fund](http://www.hpb.gov.sg/partners/grants/the-tote-board-community-healthcare-fund)  E: [HPB\_TBCHF\_Secretariat@hpb.gov.sg](mailto:HPB_TBCHF_Secretariat@hpb.gov.sg)  W: <https://partners.aic.sg/funding-support/tbchf>  E: [tbchf@aic.sg](mailto:tbchf@aic.sg) |

## **Arts and Heritage**

**Agencies:** Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth (MCCY), National Arts Council (NAC), National Heritage Board (NHB)

| **Scheme** | **Details and Eligibility** | **Website / Contact Point** |
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| **Enhanced National Support Measures for Arts and Culture Sector during Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) and Phase 3 (Heightened Alert) – Enhanced Jobs Support Scheme** | MOF will enhance and extend the Jobs Support Scheme support for the various segments within the arts and culture sector as per below:   |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Sectors** | **JSS Support under Phase 2 (Heightened Alert)** | **Extended JSS support under Phase 3 (Heightened Alert)** | | **Extended JSS support due to Reversion to Phase 2 (Heightened Alert)** | | | **16 May – 20 June** | **21 June – 11 July** | **12 – 21 July** | **22 July – 18 August** | **19 – 31 August** | | Performing Arts & Arts Education | 50% | 50% | 10% | 60% | 10% | | Museums, art galleries, historical sites | 30% | 30% | 40% |   Please refer to the IRAS JSS website (<https://go.gov.sg/jss>) for further details on eligibility and support. | W:  <https://www.nac.gov.sg/whatwedo/support/sustaining-the-arts-during-covid-19/Sustaining-the-arts-during-COVID-19.html> |
| **Enhanced National Support Measures for Arts and Culture Sector during Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) – COVID-19 Recovery Grant (Temporary)** | Self-employed arts and culture practitioners who have experienced an income loss of at least 50% for at least one month, during the period between 16 May 2021 and 31 August 2021, may apply for COVID-19 Recovery Grant (Temporary) [CRG-T]. Eligible individuals may receive a one-off payout of up to $500. Existing CRG-T recipients who continue to require assistance can also apply for a second tranche of CRG-T support in August 2021.  Please refer to the MSF website for further details on eligibility and support. | W:  <https://www.msf.gov.sg/assistance/Pages/covid-recovery-grant-temporary.aspx> |
| **Enhanced National Support Measures for Arts and Culture Sector during Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) – Rental Relief** | For the periods 16 May to 13 June 2021, and 22 July to 18 August 2021, eligible organisations will benefit from rental relief. For Government-owned commercial properties, the Government will grant 4 weeks of rental waiver for qualifying tenants. For privately-owned commercial properties, the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS) will disburse a 2-weeks rental relief cash payout directly to qualifying tenants as part of the Rental Support Scheme.  Qualifying tenants will be informed if they are eligible. | W:  <https://www.nac.gov.sg/whatwedo/support/sustaining-the-arts-during-covid-19/Sustaining-the-arts-during-COVID-19.html> |
| **National Arts Council –**  **Arts and Culture Resilience Package: Self Employed Person Grant (SEPG)**  *The SEPG is a time-limited scheme that aims to provide support to Arts SEPs affected by COVID-19. Through the grant, it is hoped that work opportunities for arts SEPs can be generated, as arts SEPs come together and work on projects, especially projects that can make a longer-term impact on arts SEPs’ practices, professionalism and livelihoods.* | The grant supports up to 100% of supportable costs, capped at $50,000 per project.  The SEPG is open to:   * Self-Employed Persons that are Singapore citizens or Permanent Residents residing in Singapore and working in the local arts scene. * Arts organisations that are registered with Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA) or Registry of Societies (ROS).   Please refer to the website for more details on grant information and eligibility. | W:  <https://www.artsresourcehub.gov.sg/opportunities/self-employed-person-(sep)-grant>  E:  [SEPG@nac.gov.sg](mailto:SEPG@nac.gov.sg) |
| **National Arts Council, National Heritage Board –**  **Arts and Culture Resilience Package: Organisation Transformation Grant (OTG)**  *The OTG is a time-limited scheme that aims to provide support for grounds-up interest among arts and heritage organisations for the digital and non-digital aspects of transformation. The OTG also encourages arts and heritage organisations to come together to address common pain points and co- create solutions.* | The grant supports up to 80% of supportable costs, along two tracks –   * Up to $30,000 per project for company-specific organisation transformation efforts, and * Up to $200,000 per project for co-solutioning projects involving multiple arts organisations, or for projects with potential for wider industry spin-offs.   The OTG is open to arts and heritage organisations that are registered with Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA) or Registry of Societies (ROS).  Non arts and heritage organisations that support and work with arts and heritage organisations for the benefit of the arts and heritage sector will also be eligible.  Please refer to the websites for more details on grant information and eligibility. | W:  Arts organistions: <https://www.nac.gov.sg/whatwedo/support/sustaining-the-arts-during-covid-19/acrp/organisation-transformation-grant.html>  Heritage organisations:  <https://www.nhb.gov.sg/who-we-are/media-centre/committee-of-supply-announcements/2021>  E:  Arts organisations: [OTG@nac.gov.sg](mailto:OTG@nac.gov.sg)  Heritage organisations: [NHB\_OTG@nhb.gov.sg](mailto:NHB_OTG@nhb.gov.sg) |
| **National Arts Council –**  **Arts and Culture Resilience Package: Venue Hire Subsidy** | MCCY has extended the 80% subsidy for venue hire and in-house production costs until end-September 2021. This subsidy is for arts and culture activities permitted to resume in the Esplanade, National Gallery Singapore, National Heritage Board museums and heritage institutions, STPI Creative Workshop & Gallery, Singapore Chinese Cultural Centre, Singapore Conference Hall, as well as those managed by Arts House Limited. It is also extended to select arts centres with shared facilities under NAC.  Venue hirers for arts and culture activities | W:  <https://www.nac.gov.sg/whatwedo/support/sustaining-the-arts-during-covid-19/Sustaining-the-arts-during-COVID-19.html> |
| **National Arts Council –**  **Regular Grant Funding** | * *Organisational development funding, e.g. Major Company Scheme* * *Presentation and Participation Grant* * *Market and Audience Development Grant* * *Capability Development Grant* * *Creation Grant* * *Production Grant* * *Research Grant*   The Council funds artists and arts organisations across various fields, who are actively engaged in one or more of the following:   * Establishing new or existing arts organisations; * Producing or presenting art and/or encouraging participation in the arts; * Training, research and development; * Market and audience development (locally and/or internationally).   Please refer to the various grant guidelines for the detailed eligibility criteria for each scheme. | W: <https://www.nac.gov.sg/whatwedo/support/funding.html> |
| **Arts Resource Hub**  *Enabling sustainable careers for arts freelancers.* | While the useful information shared will benefit the wider arts community, the ARH’s focus is on arts freelancers, i.e. an individual who makes a living (e.g. earns income) from being a freelancer in the visual, literary and performing arts sector(s). This would include:   1. Full-time freelancers in the arts (who may be sole proprietors) 2. Part-time freelancers (i.e. employed in other capacities and who freelance in the arts on a part-time basis) 3. People who go through phases in their careers as a freelancer and employee 4. Arts students about to enter the arts workforce/industry | W: [www.artsresourcehub.gov.sg/](http://www.artsresourcehub.gov.sg/)  E: [artsresourcehub@nac.gov.sg](mailto:artsresourcehub@nac.gov.sg) |

## **Sports**

**Agencies:** Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth (MCCY), Sports Singapore (SportSG)

| **Scheme** | **Details and Eligibility** | **Website / Contact Point** |
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| **Broad-Based Support for Phase 2 (Heightened Alert)** | * 60% JSS for the period from 22 Jul to 18 Aug 2021; 10% JSS for the period from 19 Aug to 31 Aug 2021 * Up to 1-month rental relief * Up to $500 one-off payout under the CRG-T scheme for eligible Self-Employed Persons (SEPs)   **Job Support Scheme (JSS)**  Gyms, fitness studios and other sports facilities that must:   * Be classified under SSIC 93111, 93119, 93120 or 85410; **and** * Operate sports- and/or fitness-related programmes that are (i) conducted indoors without masks on prior to P2(HA); or (ii) for those 18 years and under prior to P2(HA).   **Rental Relief**  SMEs, and eligible NPOs with an annual revenue not exceeding $100 million, who are tenant-occupiers of qualifying commercial properties.   * For Government-owned commercial properties, the Government will grant one month of rental relief for qualifying tenants. * For privately-owned commercial properties, the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS) will disburse a 2-week rental relief cash payout directly to qualifying tenants as part of the new Rental Support Scheme.   **COVID-19 Recovery Grant (Temporary) (CRG-T)**  Self-employed persons in the sport and fitness sector who have experienced income loss of at least 50% for at least one month since 8 May 2021 may be eligible to receive a one-off pay-out of up to $500. | W: <https://www.mof.gov.sg/news-publications/press-releases/support-package-to-help-workers-and-businesses-during-phase-two-(heightened-alert)> |
| **Training Allowance Grant**  *Recognised training* includes CCE courses facilitated by CoachSG, and selected courses offered under Union Training Assistance Programme (UTAP) endorsed by the National Instructors and Coaches Association (NICA). | Provides $7.50/hr training allowance to coaches and fitness instructors*.*  Coaches**:**   * Must be Singapore Citizen or Permanent Resident * Valid NROC membership (full or provisional) during the time of registration of the Continuing Coaching Education (CCE) events (e.g. workshops, e-workshops, seminars, webinars) organised by CoachSG * Completed the following CCE hours based on their membership category and updated on SportSync.sg or submitted to CoachSG.   + Provisional Coach and/or Coach: 5 hours   + Senior Coach: 8 hours   + Master Coach: 10 hours * Full attendance at the CCE events and complete post CCE event obligations.   Instructors:   * Must be Singapore Citizen or Permanent Resident * Submit valid fitness instructor qualifications * Submit documentary evidence on work as a result of COVID-19 restrictions * Submit documentary evidence of completion of 5 hours of CCE efforts since 1 Jan 2021 * Full attendance at the CCE events and complete post CCE event obligations. | W:  <https://circle.myactivesg.com/industry/support/sports-resilience-package/continuing-coach-education-training-allowance?hsCtaTracking=4a1c906d-9f12-4a23-af07-e5c18cf0afb3%7C06733f73-19d6-413d-a018-ce2efc62d52a>  E: <https://members.myactivesg.com/feedback> |
| **Structured Mentorship Programme**  *Promotes the value and culture of mentoring and supporting coaches in practice, encouraging more coaches to upgrade themselves, and fostering interaction and support amongst coaches.* | Mentees and mentors can expect to receive $400 and $600 per month for 6 months respectively under the programme.  Singapore Citizens or Permanent Residents  Eligible only for coaches registered under the NROC, and Coach Developers who are active at the point of application and disbursement. | W:  <https://circle.myactivesg.com/industry/support/sports-resilience-package/continuing-coach-education/structured-mentoring?hsCtaTracking=a8d82dcf-e317-4a53-b923-3c5166b0b096%7C962b82e7-f01e-4561-8585-faf94236a2d3>  E: <https://members.myactivesg.com/feedback> |
| **Sport Resilience Package –**  **Blended Programmes Grant 2.0**  *Extension of the Sports Resilience Package where the key intent is to strengthen the industry’s capability and capacity to deliver quality competitions and leagues in the new normal* | Planning and implementation of age-group competitions for basketball and football in five geographical zones from October to December 2021.   * Up to 90% of qualifying costs, capped at a maximum of SGD$200,000.00 per sport per zone or assigned stage(s) of the competitions, whichever is the lower amount.   *Proposals for other types of sports competitions (not limited to basketball and football) can also apply for this grant.*  Application period: 5 July 2021 – 10 Aug 2021 | W:  [Sport Resilience Package - Blended Initiative - Blended Programmes (myactivesg.com)](https://circle.myactivesg.com/industry/support/sports-resilience-package/blended-initiative/programmes?__hstc=165096928.c2f829500f7bee9170d06ad6da8c8101.1627455023866.1627455023866.1627455023866.1&__hssc=165096928.10.1627455023867&__hsfp=407304874&hsCtaTracking=eb8fb26e-fdf2-4777-aad4-3ceeebe15b49%7C6dc38379-c837-4376-882b-f6b37b1665be&filter=eligibility) |
| **ActiveSG Circle**  *A virtual sports centre in the form of an online platform. This will enable citizens to stay connected and active with an expansive, a wide, offering of content such as exercise videos, programmes, talks, workshops and even races through a virtual space.* | Interested individuals or companies can approach SportSG to inquire about the partnership opportunities available. | W: <https://circle.myactivesg.com/circuit-breaker>  E: [Sport\_CRM@sport.gov.sg](mailto:Sport_CRM@sport.gov.sg) |
| **Coach Development Grant (CDG)**  *Financial assistance for coaches to cover course or registration fees.* | The CDG provides financial assistance to individual sport coaches who wish to upgrade their coaching knowledge and skills via attending coaching attachments, conferences, short-term courses, workshops and seminars as well as obtaining a Degree or Diploma. | W: <https://www.sportsingapore.gov.sg/athletes-coaches/coaches-corner/funding/coach-development-grant>  E: [Sport\_coaching@sport.gov.sg](mailto:Sport_coaching@sport.gov.sg) |