



**The Garden of Wishes** 

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## **About AWS**

Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd is a charity organisation that celebrates the lives of terminally ill patients in Singapore, and support them - and their loved ones through the simple but deeply meaningful act of wish-granting. By helping to fulfil these wishes. AWS wants to transform the end-of-life experience for patients with a limited prognosis of less than 12 months, giving them and their families a measure of joy, peace and comfort. The work of AWS is an extension of the provision of care for the dying that goes beyond the walls of hospitals and hospices, to impact homes and hearts.

### **Our Mission**

To create positive end-of-life experiences for terminally ill patients through the fulfilment of their final wishes.

### **Our Vision**

To transform the end-of-life experience of terminally ill patients and their loved ones, beyond basic palliative care services.



# Chairman's Message

Dear friends, donors, supporters and fellow volunteers of Ambulance Wish Singapore,

2022 has been a beautiful journey filled with growth, compassion, and impactful achievements.

The fulfilment of wishes lies at the core of our mission, and in 2022, there was a 62 percent increase in the number of wishes granted, rising from 39 to 63, or about 4-6 wishes per month. This notable growth was made possible as Singapore slowly emerged from the challenges posed by the pandemic. It allowed us to realise more wishes that involved larger groups of people, such as hotel staycations and celebration parties.

But as the number of referrals grew, we needed to grow our ability to grant wishes.

One of the highlights of the year was the launch of our most ambitious and large-scale fundraising initiative to date: Cycle of Peace. With hearts full of determination and unwavering commitment, our AWS supporters, along with the kindness of all our donors, rallied together and helped us raise an impressive sum of \$245,956. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you who contributed to the success of this initiative.

The proceeds from our inaugural Cycle of Peace will serve as a powerful catalyst to propel our work forward, enabling us to continue making a difference in more lives of those impacted by terminal illness, bringing some measure of hope and putting smiles on their faces as they embark on their final journeys. In addition to Cycle of Peace, we successfully organised several other fundraisers throughout the year, thanks to the

generosity of our sponsors and the dedication of our volunteers.

Indeed, none of our achievements would have been possible without the invaluable contribution of our volunteers, who are the lifeblood of our mission. Their immense dedication and compassion have touched the lives of those in need, truly embodying the spirit of AWS. And in 2022, we continued to welcome new volunteers, with 102 who joined our ranks and played a vital role in our organization's growth and impact.

As we reflect on the past year, we are filled with gratitude for the support and generosity of our community. Your belief in our mission and your willingness to stand with us have been the driving force behind our success. Together, we have made a profound difference in the lives of terminally ill patients, providing them and their loved ones with positive end-of-life experiences.

Looking ahead, we are inspired by the accomplishments of 2022 and the possibilities that lie before us. We thank you for being an integral part of our journey, and we invite you to join us as we continue to transform the end-of-life experience for terminally ill patients and their loved ones. With your continued support, we are determined to expand our reach, touch more lives, and impact homes and hearts across Singapore.

Warmest regards,

#### **Dr Ong Yew Jin**

Chairperson Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd



# **Board Of Directors**

**Dr Ong Yew Jin** Chairman .....



**Carol Wee** Vice Chairman .....



**Aloysius Wee** Board Secretary .....





**Alan Chang** Treasurer .....



Director

**Grace Young-Diao** Director

Ai Ling Sim-Devadas





**James Sim** Director .....





**Prof Koo Wen Hsin** Director .....



Dr Kwek Kon Yew Director .....



**Dr Keith Goh** 













## **AWS In The News**

The coverage in various media outlets has further raised awareness on the impact of wish granting and the value it brings to palliative care in Singapore.











### 2022 Milestones



## **28 May**

#### **Cycle of Peace**

During our inaugural Cycle of Peace charity drive which was launched on 28 May 2022 by Mr Edwin Tong, Minister for Culture, Community and Youth, we raised \$245,956. The top fund-raiser was double-cancer survivor and amputee Ezzy Wang who raised \$25,396 on his own by hand-cycling. AWS is extremely grateful for the unstinting support from corporate donors including Mazars and Schroders.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Celebration

AWS turned three. We celebrated the occasion with over 70 board members, referrers, volunteers and partner, in conjunction with the launch of Cycle of Peace 2022.

### **08 Oct**

#### **Fireside Chat**

An online Fireside Chat was organised to commemorate World Hospice and Palliative Care Day. The chat was about the landscape of palliative care in Singapore and how communities could come together to support terminally ill patients and their last wishes.

The panellists included AWS Chairman Dr Ong Yew Jin, Senior Consultant, Dover Park Hospice, AWS volunteers Ms Jill Chua and Mr Willy Zhang as well as Mdm Catherine Soh, who is the family member of an AWS beneficiary. This session was moderated by AWS board member Mrs Ai Ling Sim-Devadas.



# The Garden Of Wishes



### And what a journey 2022 proved to be.

Not only in how AWS has grown in the number of wishes we fulfilled and the number of volunteers who are the lifeblood of our organisation, but in terms of sheer kilometres.

2022 was the year where we bravely launched our most ambitious and large-scale fundraising initiative to date: Cycle of Peace.

Through the enormous hearts, strong muscles, and dedicated commitment of AWS supporters, as well as the kindness from all our donors, we raised \$245,956. The proceeds from our inaugural Cycle of Peace will truly power the work that we have been doing as we continue to try and make a difference to even more terminallyill patients, bringing joy to them as we go all out to put a smile on their faces as they embark on their final journeys.

Along with Cycle of Peace, we ran several other fundraisers in 2022, thanks to our generous sponsors and volunteers.

And indeed, 2022 has been yet another year of growth.

#### **Fulfilling Of Wishes**

In 2022, there was a 62 percent increase in the number of wishes we granted – from 39 to 63. This was also the year when Singapore slowly emerged from the pandemic, and it became possible for us to realise more wishes which involved more people - a hotel staycation or celebration parties for instance.

#### **Huge Hearts**

This would not have been possible without the recruitment of new volunteers.

In 2022, 102 new volunteers joined our ranks, making a total of 215 volunteers.

Some of them might have joined after reading the story of AWS volunteer Laura Teng, who joined us in August 2021.

Even though she herself has a medical condition, Laura finds joy in bringing joy to others.

Her story was covered by Channel News Asia and she has helped to fulfil over 14 wishes to date.

#### Road Ahead

As more Singaporeans become aware of AWS and the meaningful work that we do, it is doubtless that we will continue to grow in the years to come. But for the road ahead, buoyed by a growing community of volunteers and supporters, we are excited about the journey.







### **Bringing his Wife to** where he Proposed

Mr Yazid wanted to bring his beloved wife to East Coast Park, where he proposed to her 24 years ago, on 26 February. A beautiful teepee was set up, which was a pleasant surprise for Mr Yazid and his wife. The ambience was further elevated by roses and balloons, and we further enhanced the wish experience with a personalised scrapbook, that was presented to Mr Yazid and wife.





## Family Portrait and a Baptism

Mdm Chin wanted to gather her immediate family for a portrait. As her condition started to deteriorate quite quickly, AWS had to realise this wish quickly, from marshalling a professional photographer to even producing a short video, all within the span of 24 hours. Mdm Chin was baptised during the occasion. A personalised photobook was presented to Mdm Chin right after Wish Day.



### Daughter's 21st Birthday

Mdm Wong's wish was to celebrate her daughter Hwee Ying's 21st birthday. It was a simple party, but it was filled with loving touches from AWS: Roblox cakes, Hwee Ying's favourite snacks, beautiful balloons, a gorgeous bouquet of roses, hair and make up for Mdm Wong and daughter as well as photographs from a professional photographer.







#### **Flowers Galore**

Mdm Leo's wish was to enjoy time with her family at the Gardens by the Bay. With a photographer in tow, arranged by AWS, she admired the flowers before ending the day at the Shashlik Restaurant, which is known for its Russian cuisine with a Hainanese twist – an arrangement that was much appreciated by Mdm Leo and family who are Hainanese.



### **Family Outing to** Marina Barrage

Mr Selamat missed recreational activities outdoors, and so his wish was simply to hang out with his family at the Marina Barrage. His five children played with bubble guns and kites as AWS volunteers presented him with a signed football and a biography of one of his favourite footballers, Fandi Ahmad. Mr Selamat also managed to go for a walk with his family and even took charge of the camera to snap photographs for his family.







# Marrying a Long-time Partner

After more than 40 years of togetherness, all Mr Goh wanted was to marry his long-time partner. Taking place at the lift lobby, Mr Goh's family members watched in delight as his marriage was solemnised right outside his flat. While the happy couple was more than content with simple proceedings, AWS volunteers pulled out all the stops to decorate the space, prepare food and drinks and auspicious red packets, and provide wedding bands engraved with the couple's names.





### **Comforting Beauty Rituals**

As Mdm Woo was not able to leave her home due to health reasons, AWS pulled out all the stops to pamper her via personal grooming services, as this was what Mdm Woo enjoyed. She had a haircut, manicure and pedicure, thanks to AWS partners. Her son wrote, "Thank you so much for making my mum pretty and showering her with love during her last few days".

### **Sofitel Staycation**

As Mr Xu had fond memories of staying at the Sofitel Xi An hotel previously with his wife, he wanted to re-create the experience with his family, including his daughters. AWS arranged for the staycation at Sofitel Sentosa and made it extra-special with room decorations, customised socks, flowers, a photoshoot and a lovingly prepared photo board.



## Meal at Home with his Wife

Since he was warded at Assisi Hospice, Mr Yeo missed home. Mr Yeo's wish was to have a meal at home with his wife. We were moved as Mrs Yeo lovingly welcomed her husband home. During the 3 hour session back home, Mr Yeo get to catch up with his wife while enjoying a simple meal prepared by the AWS volunteers — yam rice with cabbage and dried shrimps, as well as Mr Yeo's favourite hawker dishes including Lor Mee and soya bean drink.









### **Nature Outings and** a Surprise Dial In by a Celebrity

Mdm Ng loved nature. On Wish Day, AWS volunteers brought her and her three daughters to Gardens by the Bay and River Wonders which were two of her favourite attractions. Along the way, the AWS volunteers presented Mdm Ng with a beautiful crochet floral bag and scarf, and a gorgeous bouquet of flowers personally put together by our volunteer Jason. But the biggest surprise was a video call which the volunteers managed to arrange between Mdm Ng and her favourite local artiste Zoe Tay, who obligingly spoke to Mdm Ng in Teochew.



# Daughter's Wedding Tea Ceremony

Henry, a devoted and loving father, was able to witness the wedding tea ceremony of his daughter from his Assisi Hospice bed. With the bride dolled up, room set up, the gathered family members saw the couple present tea to the two sets of parents, including Henry. Henry, with the help of his wife, also presented a pair of beautiful pens to the couple to symbolize the couple writing their new life chapter together.



#### Children's **Graduation Photos**

All Adeline wanted was to take a family portrait with her sons in their graduation gowns, as she had missed the event due to the pandemic. It was extra-special for her as the widow, whose husband died 13 years ago, had singlehandedly raised her three children. As she looked at the photos of her sons and tears welled up in her eyes, AWS volunteers were also profoundly touched.





# Family Gathering at Orchid Country Club

After staying in the hospital for some time, all Mr Ang wanted was to meet his family. Arrangements were made at Orchid Country Club where Mr Ang was completely surprised to see about 20 of his family members when he arrived there. The group enjoyed lunch, chit-chat and took many photos together.







### Celebrating 22<sup>nd</sup> **Wedding Anniversary**

Together with her seven children, Mdm Rokiya had a very special celebration for her 22<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary with a staycation at D'Resort @ Downtown East. Packed with activities, the staycation encompassed a baking session where the family produced six basque burnt cheesecakes, a buffet dinner, and a BBQ. Mdm Rokiya was also presented with a bouquet of her favourite blue roses, cake and a handmade card.



We are immensely grateful to our volunteers who have supported us in our wish granting efforts and more. Thank you for your time and effort in creating such meaningful and memorable experiences for our patients. Your contributions have made a difference to the lives of people we serve. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.



First of a series of AWS EZ Link card – an impression of Mr Kew Yong Beng, our first wish beneficiary whose wish was to visit the beach.





































































































## **Raising Funds**



We are grateful for a wonderful network of generous partners who donate their time, talent and funds to support our wish-granting efforts.

### **Cycle of Peace**

Ambulance Wish's most ambitious fundraising effort to date raised \$245,956, skyrocketing past our initial goal of \$150,000. Cycle of Peace brought together individuals, families and friends to cycle and raise awareness on the lives of the terminally ill in our community while raising funds to support AWS's work.

Launched on 28 May 2022 by Mr Edwin Tong, Minister for Culture, Community and Youth, the cycling activities continued through June until 2 July. Some of the most compelling fundraising stories:

- The top individual fund-raiser was double-cancer survivor and amputee Ezzy Wang who raised \$25,396 on his own by hand-biking.
- A team from international audit, tax and advisory firm Mazars collectively contributed 3000km to our fundraising journey and were also a generous corporate sponsor.
- Edward and Dennis began as strangers at the beginning of Cycle of Peace, merely competitors who followed each other on COP Leader Board as the other constantly clocked longer distances.
   One day, they recognised each other mid-cycle and quickly "became friends on the road". They would continue to compete and motivate each other in "good fun and spirit," with Edward finally clinching the title of top distance covered - a whopping 3183.3km.





 A team of healthcare workers from the National Cancer Centre Singapore, motivated after witnessing the impact of wish granting on terminally ill patients, were part of our cycling fundraising warriors.

During the closing event on 14 August, Grace Young-Diao, AWS board member who chaired the Cycle of Peace, said, "For terminally ill patients, without the liberty of time, you can imagine just how much these wishes mean to them. From fulfilling an average of three wishes during the initial pandemic months, AWS fulfils more than double now!"



Transform a final WISH to reality Create lasting moments that will be cherished

# Wish Upon a STAR

Make a donation of \$250 or more to contribute towards fulfilment of a patient's final wish We will acknowledge your donation in a STAR on AmbulanceWish webpage

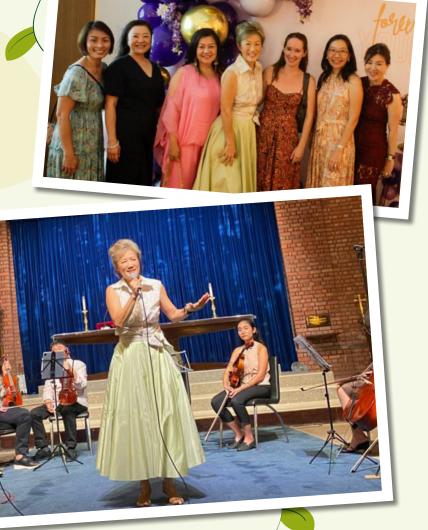
To donate, email
Connect@ambulancewishsingapore.com
Donation from now to 30 June will be matched by OurSG Grant

#### Wish Upon a Star

We launched "Wish Upon a Star", whereby donations would go toward wish fulfilment. All donors were featured on the AWS webpage as "stars" in a virtual galaxy.

### Grace Young's 60th Birthday

In celebration of her 60<sup>th</sup> birthday, AWS board member Grace Young hosted an event at the St George's Church featuring a charity concert where proceeds were donated to AWS.





#### **Gala Dinner**

During the ASEAN Legal Alliance Conference & Global Diaspora Business Summit 2022 Gala Dinner held on 23 November, over \$20,000 was raised for AWS, which was the adopted charity for the event.







#### **AWS Christmas Fundraiser**

Tapping on their culinary talents, a team of volunteers and partners came together in our annual Christmas fundraiser in December 2022 to raise funds via home creations including orange chiffon cake, sugee cake, cookies and shepherd's pie.

## **Donors and Supporters**

We would like to thank the following individuals and corporations for their generous contributions which help us to fulfil our patient's most heartfelt wish.

## 1 January – 31 December 2021 \$1,000 & Above

- Agnes Goh
- Caring Hearts Nursing
- Chew May Jin
- Chris Zhao
- Christ Methodist Church-WSCS A/C S
- Denise Phua
- Doris Sohmen Pao
- Heather Carmichael
- Hong Leong Foundation
- Hsu Jau Nan
- IQVIA RDS East Asia Pte Ltd
- Jo's Kitchen
- KT Foundation
- Dr Kwek Kon Yew
- Linda Wee
- Loh Boon Chye

- · Lucas Liew
- Mazars LLP
- Nicholas Chan
- · Project Gift of Song
- Robin Cheok
- Schroder Investment Management (Singapore) Ltd
- Shao Wentian
- Shi Hanzhi
- · Soh Shin Yann Susan
- Terry Chua
- Woo Sow Har
- · Yeo Keng Joon
- · Yeo Wee Leng
- · Yit Chee Wah
- Zu-Lin Temple Association



## **Donations In-Kind**

- AD Imaging Solutions
- Ang Chin Moh Foundation
- Amarjit & Sons Coach Services Pte Ltd
- Angeline Tan
- Atmosphere Thai Bistro
- · Bells Baking Studio
- · Blooms & Buds SG
- Blossom Restaurant

- Bob the Baker BoyCaring Hearts Nursing
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  - Carol Chia
  - · Clara Ooi
  - · Chow Cute Café
  - Chuhai
  - · D'Resort @ Downtown East
  - D Petals Delight







- · Derrick Koh
- Dolce Cakez
- Doraemon Fan Club
- Doraemon Gift Supplier RainAd
- Eastern Carpets
- Eu Yan Sang Singapore
- Eurasian Association and Eurasian Heritage Gallery
- Fairmont Singapore
- Far East Hospitality
- Firefly Connections
- Flower & Ko
- Gardens by the Bay
- Gillit Pte Ltd
- Give Fun
- · Goodwood Park Hotel
- Grand Mecure Singapore Roxy
- · Hallmark Flowers & Gifts
- · Happy Walkers Shoes
- Hibiscus Florists
- Ho Chee Lin
- Home Nails
- Hortus
- House of Seafood
- IdrisVisuals
- Irene Soh
- Janelle Yap
- Jiaén
- Joseph Chan
- Kathirah Bakery
- Kin May
- Kris Goh
- Kotuwa
- LÉLE Bakery
- Lenny Khairani
- Lien Foundation
- Linda Wee
- Lisabelle Ho
- Luxeal Studio

- Mandai Wildlife Reserve
- Marina Bay Sands
- Medical Assistance 4U
- MudFlame Photography
- One Heart Cleaning Pte Ltd
- Patricia Ow
- · Pet Master Paws 4 Splash
- Picture Perfect Productions Singapore
- · Project Cinderella
- Project Starfish
- · Quentin's Restaurant
- Rainforest Café @ D'Resort
- RuffCo
- Serangoon Broadway
- SG Pet Taxi by Bambi & Coco
- SG Wedding Favours
- Share A Cut
- Sin Tat Toys Import & Export Trading
- Soflle
- SOSD Singapore
- · Sofitel Singapore Sentosa Resort & Spa
- Stream Mobility Wheelchair Transport
- · Sunlight Ambulance
- SZ Painting Singapore
- The Bread Rack
- The Duo Planner
- · The Fat Farmer
- The Felicity Florals
- · The Interior Collections
- The Landmark
- The Lego Group
- The Plattering Co.
- The Walt Disney Company Southeast Asia Pte Ltd
- Wanderlust Hotel
- Windflower Florist
- · Wong Sing Wei
- · Ximula Sail



# **Financial Statements**

AMBULANCE WISH (SINGAPORE) LTD. (COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 201916704W)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd. **Statement by Directors** For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

The directors are pleased to present this report to the members together with the audited financial statements of Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd. (the "Company") for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **Opinion of the directors**

In the opinion of the directors,

- the financial statements of the Company are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the (a) financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2022 and the financial performance, changes in fund and cash flows of the Company for the year then ended; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

#### **Directors**

The directors in office at the date of this report are as follows:

Carol Wee Ping (Wang Ping) Wee Meng Seng Aloysius Koo Wen Hsin Kwek Kon Yew Sim Eng Huat Joseph Ong Yew Jin **Grace Young** Ai Ling Sim-Devadas Chang Chi Hsung

#### Arrangements to enable directors to acquire benefits

Neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose objects are, or one of whose objects is, to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of any other body corporate.

#### Other matters

As the Company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital, matters relating to the issue of shares or share options are not applicable.

# Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd. Statement by Directors For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

#### Independent auditor

The independent auditor, Integra Assurance, has expressed its willingness to accept re-appointment.

Joseph Ong Yew Jin

Director

On behalf of the directors

Wee Meng Seng Aloysius

Director

Singapore, 29 May 2023

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Only to the Members of the Company Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd. (Company Registration Number: 201916704W)

#### Report on the financial statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd. (the "Company"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, the statement of financial activities and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of Charities Act 1994 and other relevant regulations (the "Charities Act"), the Companies Act 1967 (the "Companies Act") and Charities Accounting Standards (the "CAS") so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2022 and of the financial performance, changes in accumulated funds and cash flows of the Company for the year ended on that date.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing (SSAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA) Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities (ACRA Code) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Directors' Statement.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Management and Directors for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Act, Companies Act and CAS, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair financial statements and to maintain accountability of assets.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors' responsibilities include overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether
  due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and
  obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The
  risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one
  resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions,
  misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing
  an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

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- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

# Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Companies Act to be kept by the Company have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act.

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Singapore 29 May 2023

# Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd. Statement of Financial Position As at 31 December 2022

	Note	<b>2022</b> \$	2021 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents		379,632	116,081
TOTAL ASSETS		379,632	116,081
CURRENT LIABILITIES Other payables	4	11,727	11,192
Income tax expense	•		384
TOTAL LIABILITIES		11,727	11,576
TOTAL NET ASSETS		367,905	104,505
ACCUMULATED FUNDS UNRESTRICTED FUNDS			
General fund		367,905	104,505
TOTAL UNRESTRITED FUNDS		367,905	104,505
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS		367,905	104,505

# Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd. **Statement of Financial Activities** For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Note	2022 \$	2021 \$
Income Voluntary donation Other income		386,020 860 386,880	123,541 1,443 124,984
Expenditure Cost of charitable activities Cost of generating voluntary income Employees benefits Other operating expenses		(38,082) (17,711) (64,034) (3,653) (123,480)	(21,407) (5,443) (33,668) (4,535) (65,053)
Net income before tax expense	5	263,400	59,931
Income tax expense	6	-	-
Net income		263,400	59,931
Reconciliation of funds  Total funds brought forward  Total funds carried forward		104,505 367,905	44,574 104,505

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

# Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd. Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income before tax expense	263,400	59,931
Changes in:		
Other payables	535	2,026
Cash from operations	263,935	61,957
Tax paid	(384)	(161)
Net cash from operating activities	263,551	61,796
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	263,551	61,796
Balance at beginning of the year	116,081	54,285
Balance at end of the year	379,632	116,081

These notes form an integral part of the financial statements. The financial statements were authorized for issue by the directors on the date of the accompanying Directors' Statement.

#### 1 **Principal activities**

Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd. (the "Company") is a company limited by a guarantee incorporated and domiciled in Singapore. The registered office of the Company is at 16 Raffles Quay, #17-30 Hong Leong Building, Singapore 048581.

The principal activities of the Company are those of charitable and other supporting activities aimed at humanitarian work, which includes but not limited to the following activities:

- to give each patient with life-limiting illness the attention that he/she desires by realising such patient's last wish before dying;
- to add quality to the patient's final period of life; and
- to bring communities together to care for the dying.

The Company is a registered charity with the Commissioner of Charities under the Charities Act 1994.

The Board of Directors ("BOD") meetings and attendance by directors during the financial year are as follows:

Date	Type of meeting	Attendance
18.01.2022	<ul> <li>Matters arising from the last BOD – subsequent updates</li> <li>Management report for the forth quarter ended December 2021</li> <li>AWS Virtual Conference</li> <li>Ambulance Wish planning meeting</li> </ul>	Carol Wee Ping (Wang Ping) Wee Meng Seng Aloysius Koo Wen Hsin Kwek Kon Yew Sim Eng Huat Joseph Ong Yew Jin Grace Young Ai Ling Sim-Devadas Chang Chi Hsung
04.04.2022	<ul> <li>New Fundraising project -Cycle of Peace ("COP")</li> <li>Resignation of Ms Ean Yeo as executive director of the Company</li> <li>National Council of Social Services membership application</li> <li>Annual wage supplement</li> </ul>	Carol Wee Ping (Wang Ping) Wee Meng Seng Aloysius Kwek Kon Yew Sim Eng Huat Grace Young Ai Ling Sim-Devadas

Date	Type of meeting	Attendance
19.04.2022	<ul> <li>Management and finance report for the first quarter ended March 2022</li> <li>Taskforce update</li> <li>Workplan fo the financial year ending 31 December 2022</li> </ul>	Carol Wee Ping (Wang Ping) Wee Meng Seng Aloysius Koo Wen Hsin Kwek Kon Yew Sim Eng Huat Joseph Ong Yew Jin Grace Young Ai Ling Sim-Devadas
29.06.2022	<ul> <li>Confirmation of sections of the annual report for the financial year ended 31 December 2021</li> <li>Recommendation on recording of gifts inkind and expenses for granting of wishes</li> <li>Appointment of new executive director</li> <li>Accounting of COP</li> <li>Grant submissions to the Tote Board</li> </ul>	Carol Wee Ping (Wang Ping) Wee Meng Seng Aloysius Kwek Kon Yew Sim Eng Huat Joseph Ong Yew Jin Grace Young Ai Ling Sim-Devadas
07.11.2022	Management report     Year-to-date financial statements up to September 2022     Board matters	Carol Wee Ping (Wang Ping) Wee Meng Seng Aloysius Koo Wen Hsin Kwek Kon Yew Sim Eng Huat Joseph Ong Yew Jin Grace Young Ai Ling Sim-Devadas Chang Chi Hsung

# 2 Basis of preparation

# 2.1 Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the Company have been drawn up in accordance with Charities Act 1994 and Charities Accounting Standard (the "CAS").

# 2.2 Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except as otherwise described in the notes below.

# 2.3 Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Singapore dollars, which is the Company's functional currency.

### 2.4 Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with CAS requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies. It also requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions. During the financial year, there are no areas involving judgements made in applying accounting policies or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements.

### 3 Summary of significant accounting policies

### 3.1 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at banks.

### 3.2 Other payables

Financial liabilities are recognized as soon as there is a present legal or constructive obligation to the expenditure. Liabilities arise when there is a present obligation to make a transfer of value to another party as a result of past transaction or event.

Financial liabilities include other payables and accruals which represent unpaid liabilities for goods and services provided to the Company prior to the end of the financial year.

### **3.3** Fund

Unrestricted fund is the fund which management retains full control of the use of the funds in achieving any of the Company's charitable objectives. An expense resulting from the operating activities of a fund that is directly attributable to the fund is charged to unrestricted fund.

Common expenses incurred on a day-to-day basis for the Company's operating activities in order to achieve its charitable objectives are charged to general fund.

### 3.4 Revenue

Donations are recognised at point in time when the Company has unconditional entitlement to the receipts.

### 3.5 Expenditure

Expenditures are recognised in the statement of financial activities once the goods or services have been received unless the expenditure qualifies for capitalisation as assets such as property, plant and equipment. Expenditures are classified under the cost of generating funds and cost of charitable activities.

## Charitable activities

All resources applied in undertaking activities to meet the Company's charitable objectives are classified under the cost of charitable activities.

Cost of generating funds

All cost associated with generating income from all sources other than from undertaking charitable activities are included under cost of generating funds.

### 3.6 Employee benefits

### Defined contribution plans

The Company makes contributions to the Central Provident Fund scheme in Singapore, a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions to defined contribution pension schemes are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is performed.

### Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid if the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee, and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

# 4 Other payables

	2022 \$	<b>2021</b> \$
Other payables (non-trade)	8,721	3,089
Accrued expenses	3,006	8,103
	11,727	11,192

### 5 Net income before tax expense

This is arrived at after charging / (crediting):

	2022	2021	
	\$	\$	
Other income			
Special Employment Credit	(321)	(963)	
Jobs Support Scheme	_	(480)	

	2022 \$	<b>2021</b> \$
Cost of charitable activities		
Accommodation	3,417	2,265
Food and beverages	4,110	4,779
Gift	4,861	7,540
Ticket and entrance fee	4,355	1,120
Transportation	9,024	2,955
Cost of generating voluntary income		
Website related fee	15,176	3,609
Platform transaction fee	5,883	3,267
Defined contribution benefits included in employees		
benefits	(5,883)	3,267

#### 6 Income tax expense

No provision has been made for income tax as the Company is registered charity and the income is exempted from tax under Section 13(1) of the Income Tax Act.

#### 7 Significant related parties transactions

For the purposes of these financial statements, parties are considered to be related to the Company if the Company has the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the party or exercise significant influence over the party in making financial and operating decisions, or vice versa, or where the Company and the party are subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties may be entities or individuals.

# Key management personnel

Key management personnel are those persons having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company. The directors on the board and the executive directors are considered to be the key management personnel of the Company.

Key management personnel compensation comprised:

	2022 \$	<b>2021</b> \$
Short-term employment benefits of key management personnel		
- Salaries and bonus	41,229	14,333
- Defined contribution plans expense	4,443	1,863

### 8 Fair value

The fair value of financial instrument is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The carrying amount of financial assets (cash and cash equivalents) and liabilities (other payables) are reasonable approximation of fair values due to their short-term nature. Cash are deposited with reputable financial institutions which management perceived there is no credit risk faced by the Company.

# 9 Fund management

The Company's objectives when managing its funds are to safeguard and maintain adequate working capital to continue as a going concern. The funds of the Company comprise unrestricted funds which are described in details below:

# General fund

The fund is expendable at the discretion of the management in furtherance of the Company's objective.

The directors consider the accumulated fund as the capital of the Company and no changes were made to the Company's fund management objectives during the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

# **Corporate Governance**

The Board of Directors at Ambulance Wish Singapore is responsible for overseeing the operations of AWS. The Board provides mission-driven leadership and strategic governance to guide the direction of AWS.



The By-laws of the charity outline the duration of service for Board members. Throughout the year, no staff members were selected to join the Board of Directors. The charity has implemented a policy that clearly outlines specific matters that are reserved for the Board's deliberation.

# Management and Avoidance of **Conflict of Interest Policy**

The charity has a documented policy in place to manage and prevent conflicts of interest among directors, staff and volunteers. Each Board member is obligated to disclose any conflicts of interest to the charity annually at the beginning of their term.

As stated in the Foundation's By-laws, all AWS Board members do not receive any remuneration, except for reimbursement of reasonable expenses related to fulfilling wish granting expenses. Upon employment and on an annual basis, all employees are required to disclose any conflicts of interest. Furthermore, staff members are not involved in determining their own compensation. In order to ensure transparency, any conflicts of interest related to contracts with vendors, affiliations with other organisations, joint ventures, recruitment, and remuneration of staff with close relationships must be fully disclosed. Individuals with conflicts of interest are excluded from participating in discussions and approvals regarding such transactions.

# **Reserve Management**

The charity relies on its reserves to ensure financial stability and support the growth of its activities. The Board intends to maintain reserves at a level that adequately meets the organization's operational requirements. Regular assessments of the reserves are conducted to ensure they align with the ongoing obligations of the charity.

# **Remuneration of Executives**

The annual remuneration of the 3 highest paid staff is classified as follows:

Remuneration Band (S\$)	2022 No. of personnel
Between \$100,001 to \$200,000	Nil
\$100,000 and below	1

During the financial year, there was no paid staff who was a close member of the family of the Executive Head or a governing board member of this charity.

# **Whistle Blowing Policy**

Ambulance Wish (Singapore) Ltd is dedicated to upholding robust corporate governance practices and fostering a culture of openness and transparency. The organisation provides a platform for employees, vendors, clients, and other stakeholders to report any instances of serious misconducts, especially relating to fraud, controls and ethics.





# Governance Evaluation Checklist

# **Board Governance**

1.	<b>Induction and orientation</b> are provided to incoming governing board members upon joining the Board.	Complied
	Are there governing board members holding staff <sup>1</sup> appointments? (skip items 2 and 3 if "No")	No
2.	Staff does not chair the Board and does <b>not comprise more than one third</b> of the Board.	
3.	There are written job descriptions for the staff's executive functions and operational duties, which are distinct from the staff's Board role.	
4.	The Treasurer of the charity (or any person holding an equivalent position in the charity, e.g. Finance Committee Chairman or a governing board member responsible for overseeing the finances of the charity) can only serve a maximum of 4 consecutive years.	Complied
	If the charity has not appointed any governing board member to oversee its finances, it will be presumed that the Chairman oversees the finances of the charity.	
5.	All governing board members must submit themselves for <b>re-nomination and re-appointment</b> , at least once every 3 years.	Complied
6.	There are documented terms of reference for the Board and each of its committees.	Complied
Conflict of Interest		
7.	There are documented procedures for governing board members and staff to declare actual or potential <b>conflicts of interest</b> to the Board at the earliest opportunity.	Complied
8.	Governing board members <b>do not vote or participate</b> in decision making on matters where they have a conflict of interest.	Complied
Н	uman Resource and Volunteer <sup>2</sup> Management	
9.	The Board approves documented human resource policies for staff.	Complied
Financial Management and Internal Controls		
10.	There is a documented policy to seek the Board's approval for any loans, donations, grants or financial assistance provided by the charity which are not part of the charity's core charitable programmes.	Complied
11.	The Board ensures that <b>internal controls for financial matters</b> in key areas are in place with <b>documented procedures</b> .	Complied

12.	The Board ensures that reviews on the charity's internal controls, processes, key programmes and events are regularly conducted.	Complied
13.	The Board approves an <b>annual budget</b> for the charity's plans and regularly monitors the charity's expenditure.	Complied
	Does the charity invest its reserves (e.g. in fixed deposits)? (skip item 14 if "No")	No
14.	The charity has a <b>documented investment policy</b> approved by the Board.	
Fu	undraising Practices	
	Did the charity receive cash donations (solicited or unsolicited) during the financial year? (skip item 15 if "No")	No
15.	All collections received (solicited or unsolicited) are <b>properly accounted for</b> and <b>promptly deposited</b> by the charity.	
	Did the charity receive donations in kind during the financial year? (skip item 16 if "No")	Yes
16.	All donations in kind received are <b>properly recorded</b> and <b>accounted for</b> by the charity.	Complied
Di	sclosure and Transparency	
17.	The charity discloses in its annual report —  (a) the number of Board meetings in the financial year; and  (b) the attendance of every governing board member at those meetings.	Complied
	Are governing board members remunerated for their services to the Board? (skip items 18 and 19 if "No")	No
18.	<b>No</b> governing board member is involved in setting his own remuneration.	
19.	The charity discloses the <b>exact</b> remuneration and benefits received by each governing board member in its annual report.  OR	
	The charity discloses that no governing board member is remunerated.	
	Does the charity employ paid staff? (skip items 20 and 21 if "No")	Yes
20	No staff is involved in setting his own remuneration.	Complied
21.	The charity discloses in its annual report —  (a) the total annual remuneration for <b>each of its 3 highest paid staff</b> who each has received remuneration (including remuneration received from the charity's subsidiaries) <b>exceeding \$100,000</b> during the financial year; and  (b) whether any of the 3 highest paid staff also serves as a governing board member of the charity.	Complied
	The information relating to the remuneration of the staff must be presented in bands of \$100,000.  OR  The charity discloses that <b>none</b> of its paid staff receives more than \$100,000 each in annual remuneration.	

Notes:

<sup>1</sup> Staff: Paid or unpaid individual who is involved in the day to day operations of the charity, e.g. an Executive Director or administrative personnel.

<sup>2</sup> Volunteer: A person who willingly serves the charity without expectation of any remuneration."



# Ways to Support Us

Everyone can help terminally ill patients fulfil their most heartfelt wish, giving them one last hurrah through this simple but meaningful act of wish granting.

Regardless of patient diagnosis and background, fulfilling their final wishes brings the patient and families comfort and closure. That is what we want to achieve – improve the quality and enjoyment of life for those in their final days.

Your contribution means we have the funds and opportunities to continue reaching out to these patients.

# **Donate**

Your generous contribution will help us reach more patients in our community, to make a meaningful difference to them. Scan here to make a donation.



# Volunteer



We believe every person can be a force for good and make positive changes with your compassion and commitment to serve. There are many ways you can help, and every bit helps. To volunteer, email us at contact@ambulancewishsingapore.com





# Partner us

The work of Ambulance Wish Singapore is made possible because of the generous contributions from individuals, corporations and others who share our belief that every patient deserves the opportunity to have their wishes fulfilled. Every gift we receive will make a difference in our wish granting work.

We invite you to learn more about the impact that your gift can make and partner with us to further the work of Ambulance Wish Singapore.

# **Fundraising**

Do what you love and make it count! Creating your own fundraiser is fun and easy! We have a slew of ideas for your pick, or simply come up with your own. Whatever you decide, we are here to help every step of the way. For enquiries, email us at contact@ambulancewishsingapore.com

# **Legacy Giving**

We hope you will consider including Ambulance Wish Singapore in your estate or financial plans. By leaving a meaningful legacy, you will not only leave a lasting footprint, your contributions will help the work of Ambulance Wish Singapore continue for years to come. For enquiries, email us at contact@ambulancewishsingapore.com. All request for information will remain confidential.



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