

CATHOLIC WELFARE SERVICES, SINGAPORE (CWS)

was founded in 1959 on the Spirit of the Good Shepherd – leading people to love and fulfillment, and the Spirit of the Good Samaritan – helping those who have fallen along the way.



Our Services & Projects

CWS has broad philanthropic objectives. It aims to enhance the quality of life and self-sufficiency of people, by providing relevant services to alleviate suffering due to poverty, disease, disability, old age or other reasons.

Food Relief

Started in 1959, CWS provides food rations to needy individuals and families, directly and through institutions, such as aged homes, children's homes and crisis centres. Besides food items, we also give out supermarket vouchers and cash grants to our beneficiaries regularly.

Financial Assistance

CWS provides various financial assistance programs to needy Singaporeans who face a hardship or setback in life so as to uplift their lives. This includes medical relief and educational help etc.

Scholarship Aid

CWS provides scholarships to needy Singaporean students to help defray costs for education fees and other related study expenses, such as textbooks, uniforms etc.

Nursing Homes

CWS runs three nursing homes to provide shelter, care and love for the aged sick and destitute. The three nursing homes are:

- ▶ **St. Joseph's Home**
- ▶ **St. Theresa's Home**
- ▶ **Villa Francis Home for the Aged**

The Homes provide a wide spectrum of services to meet the wholistic needs of the residents, including:

- ▶ medical and nursing care
- ▶ occupational and physiotherapy
- ▶ pastoral care
- ▶ recreational and social activities

Hospice care is also available at St. Joseph's Home to provide healthcare and support to the patients and their families.

Our three Nursing Homes serve a total of about 440 elderly.

Sheltered Homes

- ▶ **St. Vincent Home**
- ▶ **Gift of Love Home**

CWS gives ambulant elderly neglected by their families or without next-of-kin a roof over their heads in its sheltered homes. Support services and social or keep-fit activities are also organised to assist the residents to maintain their independence and overall well-being.

Together, St. Vincent Home and Gift of Love Home care for 50 elderly.

- ▶ **Good Shepherd Center**

Good Shepherd Center provides a continuum of services combining treatment, residential & educational services and spiritual support to help teenagers, women or unwed mothers & their children rebuild their lives after violence, abuse & victimization.

Youth & Adult Programmes

- ▶ **Youthreach**

YouthReach is a joint youth outreach project by Catholic Welfare Services (CWS) and Boys' Town to reach out to youths and help them utilise their strengths and resources to achieve their desired goals. Services of YouthReach include a drop-in centre in Tampines, counselling, home visits, and life skills workshops to schools and organizations.

- ▶ **Hearts@Work**

Hearts@Work provides vocational training and employment support to adults with intellectual challenges. We strive to establish a self-sustaining community where our trainees are nurtured and given a sense of dignity and belonging, so that they may live independently to their highest potentials.