

### SIKH WELFARE COUNCIL

**ANNUAL REPORT 2016** 

JAN KI SEVA UTTAM KAMMA (Service to Humanity is the Highest Deed)

### **Our Mission**



To improve the welfare and well-being of the community.

To meet this mission, we have expanded our :

- Programs
- Scope of Support
- Assistance to the Needy

**BUT MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE!** 

# Sikh Welfare Council (SIWEC)



- Registered Institute of Public Character (IPC). As such we do not only help SIKHS.
- A full-member of the National Council of Social Services (NCSS)
- Provided access to NCSS/Comcare database
- Does not belong to any individual or Sikh Institution, it <u>belongs to</u> the whole community.
- There is a greater need now for Welfare services due to the ageing population and economical/social challenges faced by the youth.
- Increase in the number of programmes/services we are providing.
- Works closely with other VWO's (AWWA, ASHRAM) and government agencies (SSO's, FSC's, SINDA, MSF) to tap in on their resources and expertise.

We are manning a 24 hour Emergency Hotline for the Community



# UPDATE ON SIWEC SUPPORT SERVICES



# FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES

## FAMILY SUPPORT SUMMARY OF CASES AS AT MAY 2017



	YTD 2017	2016	2015
A. Number of Families at the start of the period	20	16	18
B. Additions of families during the Period	1	8	3
C. Reductions of families during the Period		4 1 1 1	5 2 1 2
D. Number of Families at the end of the period	21	20	<b>16</b> 6

### **FAMILY SUPPORT** MONTHLY ASSISTANCE TO CLIENTS FA FR **Financial Only** 3 \$4,000 \$8,850 \$7,050 **Ration Only** \$5,090 \$8,040 3 \$2,350 \$66,485 Financial & Ration \$18,500 \$14,100 \$68,520 15 **Ad-Hoc Financial** 0 \$ 360 **Sub-Total** \$22,500 \$16,450 **Overall Total** 21 \$38,950 \$82,820 \$81,575

S/N	Туре	Year To		2016	2015
		Local	Foreign	Total	Total
1	Mediation with Employers	0	1	1	2
2	Mediation with Families	2	0	1	9
3	Community Mediation	0	0	NA	NA
4	Counselling & Advice	4	1	11	30
_	Referral to Government Agencies	4	0	9	15
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### Other Family Support Services



### Some of the areas SIWEC assisted included:

- Working with SSO's to find jobs for client or their spouse /child
- Mediation to help reconcile families
- · General Counselling
- Improvement of furnishings in homes
- Cleaning / Maintaining homes
- Befriending





### **COMMUNITY MEDIATION (CM)**



- Training was conducted by Lawyer Ms. Reena Kalpana Singh in February – April 2017
- Currently, 9 mediators are qualified to take on cases.
- S. Karpal Singh Mehli will be the first point of contact for any such cases.
- Certificate of attendance where presented to those who have attended either 2 sessions.







### EDUCATION SUPPORT SERVICES

### **EDUCATION SUPPORT**



### Academic Excellence Programme

- Improve children's performance in schools, particularly English, Mathematics, and Science.
- Partnership with Singapore Sikh Education Foundation (SSEF).
- We have an Education Project Officer.
- Children in Primary 1 to 5 who need help have been identified and are being helped in the areas of:
  - Tuition for children
  - Assistance to families
  - Counselling
- Currently we have 29 students.





### **EDUCATION SUPPORT**



### Financial Assistance For Punjabi Education

- Supporting \$400 per student for school fees, books and uniforms has increased to \$420 with effect 2017.
- Students living in 3-bedroom were also rendered assistance.

  Out of 102 students in 2017, 38 were living in 3-bedroom.
- Financial support given till date since 2014:

Year	2017	2016	2015	2014
Amount	\$42,840	\$33,600	\$32,400	\$43,200

 Holistic approach being adopted to determine if these students and their families need additional help.

### **EDUCATION SUPPORT**



Support for Children in Homes

### Chen Su Lan Methodist Children's Home

- 1 Sikh child currently in the home
- SIWEC has arranged for a Punjabi tutor to assist her in Punjabi Language

### Melrose Home Children's Aid Society

- 2 Sikh girls currently in the home
- SIWEC has arranged for a tutor to assist them in Punjabi language.



SIWEC Secretariat staff keep in constant contact with the children/social workers to tend to the socio-emotional needs of the child.



# ELDERCARE & SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES



### ELDERCARE SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES SUNHERI SAHELIAAN / SUNHERAY PAL



Aimed at providing seniors with a medium to meet and embark on mini-workshops, which empower them with skills that may help them cope with their ailing health. These mini-workshops are divided between other leisurely activities and outings. Examples of activities are:

- ➤ Health talks
- Flower arrangement classes
- > Talks on legal issues
- Cooking classes
- Talks on the new pioneer generation scheme
- Visit to the Zoo, Malaysia (Machap & Batu Pahat Gurudwara)
- ➤ English speaking program for those unable to speak whereas for those who can speak English, they have games session.

# ELDERCARE & SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES



### Name of Talk/Workshops

Diabetic Health Ambassador by National Healthcare Group

Lady Sikh Warriors by Dr Jaswinder Singh

Talk on Downfall of Sarkar-E-Khalsa by Apinder Singh

Talk on Diabetes by Dr Tan Yong Seng

'Forget Us Not' on Dementia by Mr. Ivan Loke

Diet and Osteoporosis by Nutritionist Mdm Teo

'Nurture Your Mind Program (4 sessions)

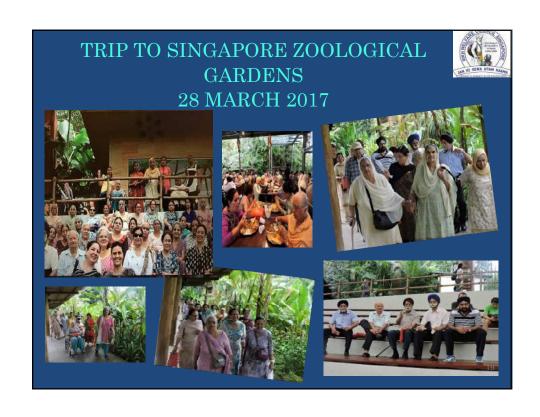
Talk on Incontinence by Tasneem (Ladies Only)

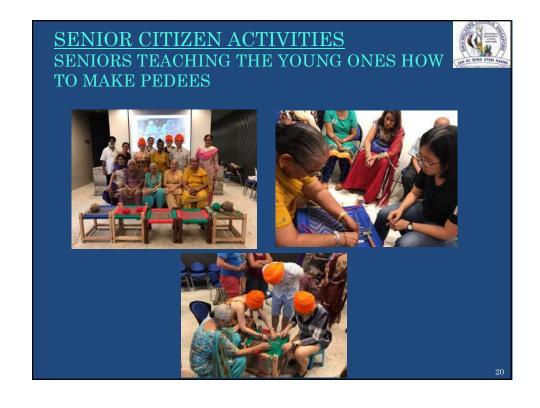
Talk on Sikh Emblem by Apinder Singh

The painful and unstable knee by Haris Mohamed (TTSH)

Osteoporosis, The Silent Killer by Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Simple Health Happiness Tips by C P Oberai







### HEALTHCARE SERVICES

# HEALTHCARE AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME







### **Creating Awareness**

- SIWEC has written to <u>all hospitals and stay in homes</u> to inform them about our services.
- All institutions are encouraged to make periodic announcement during their programmes to alert the public of our services

### **Source for Volunteers**

SIWEC currently has 15 active Health Care
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Have engaged a full time staff to regularly visit and befriend patients and residents at homes.

# **HEALTHCARE**NUMBER OF VISITS



Visits	Year to Date 2017	2016	2015
Visits to Institutions	178	192	195
Visits to Residences	47	68	38
Visits to Hospitals	75	<b>57</b>	56
Thye Hua Kwan Home	22	0	11
Total	322	317	300
Average Per Month	64	26	25

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# HEALTHCARE SIKHS IN NURSING HOMES



Institution		N	lo of Sikh	IS	Reasons/Remarks
	2016	Add	Less	YTD 2017	
Ju Eng Home	1	1	0	2	1 Destitute with Polio
TTSH - Ren Ci	1	1	1	1	Dementia transfer to United Medicare/ Bedridden (ADL Dependent)
Jamiyah	4	0	1	3	2 Destitute/1 No family support/ 1 transferred to PESH
Parkway East Shore Hospital	0	1	1	0	Advance Dementia transferred from Jamiyah than transfer to SASH
Sree Narayana Mission	1	0	0	1	1 Destitute with Osteonecrosis
Moral Welfare Home	3	0	0	3	2 Dementia/ 1 Disability
Ren Ci Nursing Home	2	0	1	1	1 Old Age/ 1 transferred to DPH
Society for the aged sick Hougang	2	1	0	3	1 Destitute/ Dementia/ Advance Dementia from PESH
Bukit Batok Home for Aged	3	0	1	2	2 Destitute/ 1 passed away
Residing in Own Homes	8	0	0	8	7 Ladies & 1 Man
CDC (Home Closed)	1	1	2	0	1 Lost Eye Sight/ 1 Destitute
Institute of Mental Health	3	0	0	3	2 Anger Management; 1 Psychotic with Major depression
United Medicare	1	1	0	2	1 Alcoholic & Family Issues/ Dementia transfer from TTSH – ReniCi
TOTAL	30	6	7	29	

### HEALTHCARE SIKHS IN NURSING HOMES



Institution			No of Sikhs		Reasons/Remarks
	2016	Add	Less	YTD 2017	
Brought Forward	30	6	7	29	
Bright Hill Evergreen Home	0	1	0	1	1 Destitute
Banyan Home	0	2	0	2	2 Destitute
Acacia Home	0	1	0	1	1 Destitute
Angsana Home	5	0	0	5	5 Destitute
Thye Hua Kwan Home	0	4	3	1	2 Rehabilitation/ 3 Discharge
Dover Park Hospice	0	1	0	1	1 Diabetic & Cellulitis
St Andrew's Nursing Home (Buangkok)	0	2	0	2	Dementia
Orange Valley (Marsiling)	0	1	0	1	Family didn't give consent to visit
Orange Valley (Changi)	0	1	0	1	Family didn't give consent to visit
Kwong Wai Shu Hospital	0	4	0	4	2 Home Care, 2 Residence
TOTAL	35	23	10	48	

- Discussing with authorities and Kwong Wai Shu Hospital to try and transfer more Sikhs to Kwong Wai Shu Home next to CST.
  - Punjabi Food once a week by well wisher
    - Birthday Celebrations at the Home

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# PRISON COUNSELLING & AFTERCARE PROGRAMME

### Prisons/Counselling and Aftercare Programme



This program focuses on the following activities:

### **While in Prison**

- Provide spiritual and rehabilitative counselling to inmates.
- Address the needs of the inmates.

### **Post Release**

- Assist in finding meaningful employment through organisations like SCORE/SACA.
- Follow up counselling.
- Collaboration with aftercare associations like THE ASHRAM.

Counsellors meet inmates on a weekly / fortnightly basis.



### Prisons/Counselling and Aftercare Programme



- Employed full-time Counsellor
- Focus for 2017/2018
  - ☐ Ongoing weekly counselling sessions
  - ☐ Counseling for families of inmates
  - Befriending/Aftercare
- Events at the Prison Annually
  - ☐ Vesakhi celebrations
  - ☐ Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Birthday Celebrations



# REHABILITATION & AFTERCARE SESSIONS



Visits	Year to Date 2017	2016	2015
Number of Counsellors	18	19	14
Counselling Sessions	80	356	175
Inmates	48	<b>50</b>	48

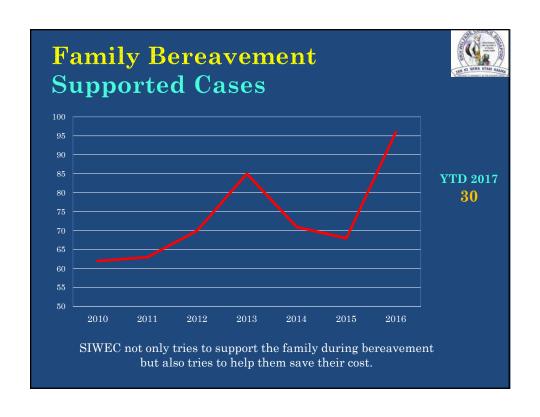
### Increase in counselling sessions:

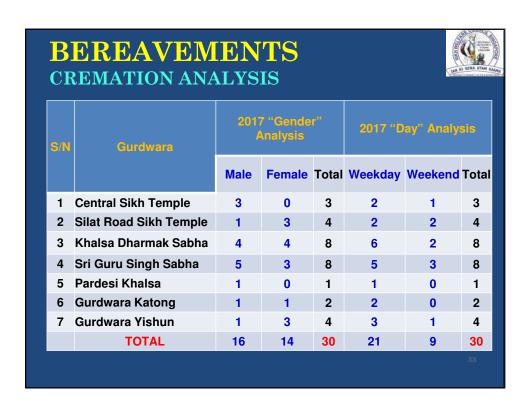
- 1. More Counselling Sessions were given in both men and women prisons
- 2. Increase in counselling volunteers
- 3. Prison Counsellor conduct pre-release sessions on weekdays.



### FAMILY BEREAVEMENT SERVICES

# Family Bereavement Services SIWEC Guides Families in: Booking of the crematorium Arrange for the hearse and driver Assisting with obituaries Making transport arrangements for condolers Assisting in bathing the body Booking the Gurdwara for prayers Providing follow up grief counseling Foreign persons – repatriation assistance





### **BEREAVEMENTS** AGE ANALYSIS **Female** Male **Female** Male **Total Total** Up to 40 years 41 to 60 years 61 to 70 years 71 to 80 years 81 to 90 years Over 91 years **Average TOTAL**

### **BEREAVEMENTS**



### **CAUSE ANALYSIS**

	Cause	Year To Date 2017			2016		
	Cause	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	Cancer	2	2	4	1	10	11
2	Heart Disease	9	2	11	15	10	25
3	Pneumonia	1	5	6	6	13	19
4	Accident/ Injury	0	0	0	2	2	4
5	No Certificate	0	1	1	12	3	15
6	Others	4	4	8	10	12	22
	TOTAL	16	14	30	46	50	96

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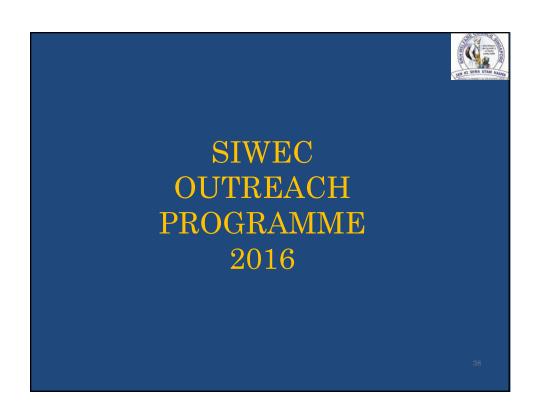


# OVERALL CLIENT SUMMARY

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### SIKH WELFARE COUNCIL **OVERALL CLIENTS SUMMARY** Year to Date **Programs** Financial Assistance **Bereavement Services** Children Home In House - Counselling SIWEC Tuition Program Academic Excellence Program **Prison Counselling** Healthcare - Institutional Homes Healthcare - Residence Senior Citizens Program MOE - FAS Students Health Screening Talks and Workshops

**TOTAL** 



### SIWEC Outreach Programme



• Throughout the year, SIWEC has been presenting our programmes to the Sangat in the Gurdwaras / Sikh Institutions.



SIWEC Outreach Activities
2016



Location	Date	Events
PKDD	March 27	SIWEC Presentation to Sangat of Pardesi Khalsa
CST	April 10	SIWEC Booth set up to create awareness of programs
CST	April 12	Health Screening by NKF
Sunlove Home	June 25	Presentation of Cheque and Lunch for the residents sponsored by well wishers from Katong Gurudwara
SRST	July 06	Health Screening by NKF, Booth by SANA, Booth by SCS, Booth by SIWEC
CST	November 13-15	SIWEC Booth, NAMS Booth and lecture
Naam Ras @ EXPO	December 23-26	SIWEC Booth, NAMS Booth, AWARE

NKF: National Kidney Foundation

SANA: Singapore Anti Narcotics Association

SCS: Singapore Cancer Society

NAMS: National Addiction Management Services AWARE: Association of Women for Action and Research



### Other SIWEC Activities

Some of the activities conducted by SIWEC that benefitted the society at large include:

These included Welfare/Health days that encompassed:

- talks on writing of wills
- making a Lasting power of attorney (LPA)
- Coping with Arthritis and a myriad of health checks.
- Talk On Medshield life
- Talk on benefits of Pioneer Generation. Talk on Benefits of the Pioneer Generation

Planning another 3-4 activities this year.

### SIKH WELFARE COUNCIL RIDE FOR CHARITY (RFC) 2018



Tentative Date of Event: 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018 to 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018

**Training Dates: Every Saturdays** 

Administrative support will be provided from SIWEC Secretariat.

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# 4. PRESENTATION & ADOPTION OF 2016 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# INCOME & EXPENDITURE JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2016



	2016	2015
INCOME		
Total Tax Exempt Receipt Income	\$417,771	\$462,348
Total Other Income	\$726,546	\$183,288
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,144,317	\$645,636
EXPENSES		
Total Operating Expenses	\$425,564	\$381,427
Total Administrative Expenses	\$97,511	\$98,977
Total Other Expenses	\$17,276	\$7,087
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$540,351	\$487,491
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	\$603,966	\$158,145

