



**BUDGET
2020**

**OUR UNITY
BUDGET**

CHARTING A STEADY PATH

Amid global uncertainty ...

- COVID-19 situation • Geopolitical tensions • Economic shifts
- Ageing population • Technological disruptions
- Decline in support for globalisation

We have a
\$106 BILLION
FINANCIAL PLAN TO CHART OUR FUTURE
WITH CONFIDENCE





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Support. Transform. Care. Secure.

ADVANCING AS ONE SINGAPORE

With **Budget 2020**, we will seize opportunities and deploy our financial resources to:



Stabilise & Support
our enterprises and workers



Transform & Grow
our economy and enterprises



Care for & Nurture
Singaporeans of all ages



Build & Secure
our future

— **TOGETHER** —



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STABILISATION & SUPPORT

HELPING SECTORS HIT BY COVID-19

STABILISATION & SUPPORT PACKAGE

Enterprises in Tourism Sector

- **Temporary Bridging Loan Programme** for cash flow support
- **Up to 30% Property Tax Rebate** for 2020

Aviation Sector

- **Rebates** on aircraft landing and parking charges, assistance to ground handlers
- **Rental rebates** for shops and cargo agents at Changi Airport



HELPING SECTORS HIT BY COVID-19

STABILISATION & SUPPORT PACKAGE

Hawkers

- **One-month rental waiver** for those in Government hawker centres

Commercial Tenants

- **Half-month rental waiver** for qualifying commercial tenants in Government-managed properties

Point-to-Point Sector

- **Point-to-Point Support Package** for taxi and private hire car drivers



SUPPORTING WORKERS

STABILISATION & SUPPORT PACKAGE

Support for Jobs, Wage Increases, and Skills

- **Jobs Support Scheme** to provide one-off wage support to help enterprises retain their local workers
- **Wage Credit Scheme** enhanced to support wage increases for Singaporean workers
- **Adapt and Grow** redeployment programmes enhanced to support enterprises to retain and reskill local workers



SUPPORTING ENTERPRISES

STABILISATION & SUPPORT PACKAGE

Cash Flow Support for Enterprises

- **Enhanced Enterprise Financing Scheme-SME Working Capital Loan**
 - ❖ Temporary cash flow support
- **Corporate Income Tax Rebate** for YA2020
 - ❖ 25% of tax payable, capped at \$15,000 per company





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TRANSFORMATION & GROWTH

DRIVING GROWTH, TRANSFORMING ENTERPRISES

To help enterprises take their first steps for growth

TRANSFORMATION & GROWTH STRATEGY

Enterprise **Grow** Package

- Launch **GoBusiness**, a single touchpoint for G2B transactions
- **SMEs Go Digital programme** expanded to drive greater adoption of digital technology
- **Market Readiness Assistance (MRA)** enhanced to help more enterprises enter new markets





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DRIVING GROWTH, TRANSFORMING ENTERPRISES

To support mature enterprises to deepen transformation

TRANSFORMATION & GROWTH STRATEGY

Enterprise **Transform** Package

- New **Enterprise Leadership for Transformation Programme** to strengthen leadership capabilities in enterprises
- Scale up reach of **Enterprise Development Grant** to support more enterprises to transform



READYING OUR YOUTH FOR OPPORTUNITIES

MORE OVERSEAS EXPOSURE

- **“70-70” target** — 70% of local graduates from Institutes of Higher Learning to have overseas exposure, and 70% of the exposure to be in ASEAN, China or India
- New **Asia-Ready Exposure Programme** to support local youths’ visits to ASEAN, China, or India
- Enhance support for internships under **Global Ready Talent Programme**





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BOOSTING EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL

Fostering a culture of lifelong learning and skills mastery

NEXT BOUND OF **SKILLS**future

- **\$500 SkillsFuture Credit top-up** for adult Singaporeans aged 25 and above
- Support for firms to **train** and **redesign** jobs for workers
- ❖ New **SkillsFuture Enterprise Credit** to support firms in workforce and enterprise transformation
- ❖ Introduce job redesign support under **Productivity Solutions Grant**
- ❖ More than double the capacity of **SkillsFuture Work-Study Programmes** to boost industry readiness in our students





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BOOSTING EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL

Supporting career transitions

SKILLS *future* MID-CAREER SUPPORT PACKAGE

- **Special \$500 SkillsFuture Credit top-up** for Singaporeans aged 40 to 60
- Increase capacity of **reskilling programmes** to support more local workers in their 40s and 50s in career transitions
- **Hiring incentive for employers** who hire local jobseekers aged 40 and above through reskilling programmes



BOOSTING EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL

Supporting senior employment

SENIOR WORKER SUPPORT PACKAGE

- **Senior Employment Credit** to provide wage offsets for firms hiring Singaporean workers aged 55 and above
- **CPF Transition Offset** to offset half of the increase in employer CPF contribution rates for senior workers
- **Senior Worker Early Adopter Grant** to support enterprises that increase their Retirement and Re-employment Ages ahead of legislated changes
- **Part-Time Re-employment Grant** to encourage firms to formalise part-time re-employment provisions





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CARE & NURTURE

HELPING SINGAPOREANS WITH COST OF LIVING

CARE & SUPPORT PACKAGE

Care & Support – Cash

- **Up to \$300** for all Singaporeans aged 21 and above in 2020
- **Additional \$100** for each Singaporean parent with at least one Singaporean child aged 20 and below in 2020

PAssion Card Top-up

- **\$100** top-up for all Singaporeans aged 50 and above in 2020



HELPING SINGAPOREANS WITH COST OF LIVING

CARE & SUPPORT PACKAGE

Workfare Special Payment

- **Additional 20%** of Workfare payments for work done in 2019, with a minimum payment of \$100

Grocery Vouchers

- **\$100 per year in 2020 and 2021** for Singaporeans aged 21 and above living in 1-room or 2-room HDB flats



HELPING SINGAPOREANS WITH COST OF LIVING

CARE & SUPPORT PACKAGE

Additional GST Voucher – U-Save

- **Double** the regular U-Save for all eligible HDB households this year
- **Larger households receive more**, at a total of 2.5 times their regular U-Save this year

S&CC Rebate

- Eligible HDB households will receive rebates to cover **1.5 to 3.5 months** of S&CC this year



NURTURING OUR YOUNG

ENHANCING SUPPORT FOR PRE-SCHOOL SERVICES

- **More** Government-supported **pre-school places**
- **Raise income ceiling** for the Additional Subsidy for pre-school and Kindergarten Fee Assistance Scheme (KiFAS) to **\$12,000 a month**
- **Higher pre-school subsidies** across all eligible income tiers
 - ✦ Low-income families pay **as little as \$3 per month** for full-day childcare at pre-schools operated by Anchor Operators



NURTURING OUR STUDENTS

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR EDUCATION

MOE Financial Assistance Scheme

- Annual pre-university bursary quantum raised from **\$900 to \$1,000**
- **Transport subsidies** increased for all students
- **School meals subsidies** increased for secondary school students

Bursaries for Higher Education

- **Higher bursaries** for students in polytechnics and autonomous universities
- **Increase of up to \$200 a year** in cash bursary quantum for full-time **ITE students**



HELPING SINGAPOREANS OWN HOMES

ACCESS TO QUALITY HOUSING

Enhanced CPF Housing Grant

- Up to **\$160,000 in housing grants** for first-time flat-buyers
- Monthly household income ceiling raised for subsidised flats and executive condominiums to **\$14,000** and **\$16,000**, respectively





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ASSURANCE FOR RETIREMENT

To help Singaporeans save for retirement

MATCHED RETIREMENT SAVINGS SCHEME

- Government will match CPF Retirement Account top-ups **dollar-for-dollar, up to an annual cap of \$600**, from 2021 to 2025
- For lower- to middle-income Singaporeans **aged 55 to 70** without the prevailing Basic Retirement Sum
- Eligible Singaporeans can receive **up to \$3,000 in matched savings** over the five years





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ASSURANCE FOR RETIREMENT

Helping those with less in retirement

SILVER SUPPORT SCHEME

- **Increase** quarterly **cash payouts by 20%**, from 1 Jan 2021
- Cash payouts of **up to \$900 per quarter**
- Broaden eligibility criteria to benefit more seniors, with a **new payout tier**

Tapping on housing assets for retirement

HOUSING MONETISATION

- Enhance the **Silver Housing Bonus** and **Lease Buyback Scheme**





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ASSURANCE FOR RETIREMENT

HEALTHCARE AND AGED CARE SUPPORT

- **Healthcare subsidies of up to 80%** at Public Healthcare Institutions and aged care services
- **Community Health Assist Scheme (CHAS), Pioneer Generation Package** and **Merdeka Generation Package** to provide assurance for healthcare costs
- **CareShield Life** and **Long-Term Care Support Fund** to strengthen support for long-term care
- **Seniors' Mobility and Enabling Fund** to provide support for assistive devices and home healthcare items



BUILDING A CARING & INCLUSIVE SOCIETY

SUPPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY

- **Community Capability Trust** to support social service sector partners in capability- and capacity-building
- **Enabling Employment Credit** to provide wage offsets to firms hiring Singaporean persons with disabilities
- Fund top-ups
 - ❖ **\$750 million** top-up to ElderCare Fund
 - ❖ **\$500 million** top-up to ComCare Fund
 - ❖ **\$200 million** top-up to MediFund





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HELPING SINGAPOREANS WITH GST INCREASE

Offsets to buffer Singaporeans against GST increase

ASSURANCE PACKAGE FOR GST

- Package will be implemented when GST rate increase takes effect, sometime from 2022 to 2025
 - ❖ Cash payout of **\$700 to \$1,600** over **five years**, for adult Singaporeans
 - ❖ Majority of Singaporeans households will receive offsets to cover at least **five years' worth of additional GST expenses**
 - ❖ **Lower-income households will receive more**, with those in 1- to 3-room HDB flats receiving offsets of about **10 years' worth of additional GST expenses**

GST
will NOT
increase in
2021





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BUILD & SECURE

SUSTAINABLE SINGAPORE

PREPARING FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

- **\$5 billion** for **Coastal and Flood Protection Fund** to protect against rising sea levels
- **Reduce carbon emissions**
- Develop a **low-carbon economy**
- **SG Eco Fund** for community partnerships on sustainability initiatives



SUSTAINABLE SINGAPORE

GREEN SINGAPORE, CLEAN ENERGY

- **HDB Green Towns Programme**

- ❖ All HDB towns to be eco-friendly by **2030**

- Incentives for lower-income households to buy **energy-efficient household appliances**

- **Cleaner-Energy Transportation**

- ❖ Expand charging infrastructure for **electric vehicles (EV)**

- ❖ **EV Early Adoption Incentive** — up to **45% rebate** on the Additional Registration Fee, **capped at \$20,000**



SINGAPORE TOGETHER

Harnessing our collective strengths

GOVERNMENT-CITIZEN PARTNERSHIPS

- Extend and top-up **Our Singapore Fund** for more ground-up initiatives
- Invest in expanding and scaling up **partnerships**
- Identify **major societal challenges** to galvanise good ideas and solutions from the public



