



**FOUNDATION OF ROTARY CLUBS (S) LTD
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The Foundation of Rotary Clubs (Singapore) Limited was incorporated under the Companies Act (Chapter 50) on and from 12 February 1993 and as a public company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital.

Central Fund Number:	94-052/RFL
ROC Registration Number:	199300813R
Registered Address:	Blk 346 Clementi Avenue 5 #01-10 Singapore 120346
Board of Directors:	About one-third of the present Board of Directors was elected by the 10 TH AGM held on 14 November 2003. Full membership of the BOD is given below.
Banker:	DBS Bank
Auditors:	Chio Lim & Associates

OBJECTIVES

The key objectives of the foundation, summarized from the Memorandum and Articles of Association are:

- i. The relief in any manner of poverty, suffering and distress
- ii. The relief of human suffering and improvement of human living conditions and standards by the treatment, prevention, alleviation and combating of sickness and disease
- iii. The advancement and improvement of human living standards and social welfare
- iv. To aid, assist and give relief in any manner to charitable or educational institutions whose objects are similar to or comparable with the objects of the Foundation.

POLICIES FOR SERVICE

Rotary International's motto of Service above Self shall be the Foundation's guiding principle in its quest for service to mankind. The Foundation is committed to



establishing pioneering community service programmes for the benefit of the society it serves.

Foundation of Rotary Clubs(S) Ltd		
BOARD OF DIRECTORS		
	Name	Title
1	PDG Gerald Minjoot	Chairman
2	PP Lee Kay Beng	Secretary
3	PP Dr Chew Kia Ngee	Finance Director
4	PP Chong Choo Chai	Advisor
5	PDG Tan Geok Tian	Special Director
6	PDG Ben Chng Kee Cheng	Special Director
7	PDG Fong Hoe Beng	Special Director
8	PDG Dr Robert C K Loh	Special Director
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23	PP Leong Cheng Chit	Member
24	CP Gracie Lee	Member
25	PP John TY Tan	Member
26	PP Claire Chiang	Alternate Member
27	PP David Chung	Alternate Member
28	PP Erich Schneider	Member
29	CP Chew Ban Seng	Member
30	CP Anthony Thng	Alternate Member
31	PP Kimmis Pun	Member
32	DG Dr Ivor Thevathanan	Additional Director
33	IPDG David Tong	Additional Director



The Foundation shall partner the Government in identifying needs to enhance the welfare of society and in providing appropriate community services to reduce gaps in services. The Rotary Family Service Centre (established in 1997), Rotary Ayer-Rajah Student Care Centre (established in 1999) and Rotary Counselling Centre (established in 2002) are results of this partnership.

REVIEW OF FY 2003-04

The Foundation received \$288,366 from the Government, being 50% of government estimates for the operating cost of the Rotary Family Service Centre (Rotary FSC). The Foundation also received \$154,813 from Rotary Clubs to support the programmes and activities of the Rotary FSC, Rotary-Ayer Rajah Students' Care Centre (SCC) and Rotary Counselling Centre (RCC).

The Foundation carried out a Raffle Draw to raise funds for its projects raising a net total of \$35,362. The Foundation also received \$250,000 from a single donor who wishes to remain anonymous.

The Rotary FSC, through the Counselling Centre, continued to provide therapy programmes for juvenile delinquents and family violence for MCYS. It also conducted workshops for parents. A new programme for Single Mothers was initiated by the Rotary FSC for which it has received funding commitment from South West CDC.

A Public Relations Committee was constituted under the chairmanship of PDG Fong Hoe Beng. During the FY, membership of the Foundation rose significantly on account of the hard work of the PR Committee.

SUPPORT FROM ROTARY CLUBS

The Foundation of Rotary Clubs (S) Ltd would like to express its gratitude to all the Rotary Clubs in Singapore for their support. It is because of this support that we were able to provide a variety of programmes and services at the Rotary FSC, Rotary-Ayer Rajah SCC and RCC. Details of funds received from each Club are listed below.

The Rotary Club of Singapore West continued to support the food ration distribution programme for 30 needy families throughout the year. The Rotary Club of Jurong



Town, also continued to support the monthly social gathering of approximately 50 children from low income families with lunch from Mac Donalds or Kentucky Fried Chicken. The Rotary Club of Pandan Valley sponsored the mid-autumn festival for senior citizens and families.

<i>Rotary Club of</i>	General Donations	Awards Scheme	Meals*	Total
Bugis Junction	500	1000	12030	13,530
Bukit Timah				
Changi				
Civi District Singapore				
Singapore East	1,000	1,000		2,000
Garden City	3373	2000		5,373
Jurong Town	1068	21000		22,068
Marina City	3001	5000		8,001
Singapore North	11,099			11,099
Orchard	1,175			1,175
Pandan Valley	649	1000		1,649
Queenstown	2500	1000	700	4,200
Raffles City	700			700
Serangoon Gardens	500			500
Singapore	22170	6000	800	28,970
Singapore South	275			275
Suntec City	275	5000		5,275
Tanglin	1000	2500		3,500
Singapore West	13498	2000		15,498
Victoria				
Inner Wheel of Singapore				
Inner Wheel of Singapore East	31000			31,000
Inner Wheel of Singapore West				
TOTAL	\$94,283	\$47,000	\$13,530	\$154,813
Individual Donations	\$275,000			\$275,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$369,283	\$47,000	\$13,530	\$429,813



REPORT ON PR COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

PDG Fong Hoe Beng was appointed Chairman of PR/Communications sub-committee under the BOD of the Foundation of Rotary Club (S) Ltd. In February 2004, the following members volunteered to be part of the committee:

CHAIRMAN – PDG Fong Hoe Beng	RC Singapore East
Deputy Chairman – PP Paul Heng	RC Bugis Junction
Secretary – Rtn Nidhi Swarup	Foundation Staff
PP Mansoor Hassanbhai	RC Singapore
Rtn Uttam Kripalani	RC Singapore
Rtn Lorraine Sim	RC Jurong Town
Rtn Dr Chandra Subramaniam	Foundation Staff
Rtn Penny Reutens	RC Suntec City

By end-June 2004, PP Eric Chan, RC Queenstown and President Michael Yee, RC Garden City agreed to join while Rtns Lorraine Sim (relocated) & Penny Reutens asked to be excused due to time constraints.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

To educate Rotarians regarding the Foundation
Emphasize that it is the Rotarians in Singapore who contribute to the Foundation
Increase Membership to the Foundation
Continuous dissemination of information on the 3 long-term projects of the Foundation, namely, RFSC, RCC & SCC

From the Committee's first meeting in January 2004 to June 2004, **Membership** to the Foundation increased from 55% to 66% of all Rotarians in Singapore. The 'Membership to the Foundation' application form was made available on the Foundation's website & proved to be quite useful.

As part of the committee's **Branding** exercise, all Rotary Clubs have been requested to submit 3 significant projects undertaken since their Charter date to the Foundation. A *booklet* will be compiled highlighting various contributions made by Rotary in



Singapore. Moreover, the same information will be used for a Newspaper Supplement planned for 23rd February 2005 to mark Rotary's Centennial Year.

Presentations were made by the Foundation at all Rotary Clubs except Tanglin, Orchard & Civic District due to scheduling problems. The PR Committee is reviewing the **presentations** made to various Rotary Clubs to improve its impact and information dissemination.

Information is being disseminated also through the Foundation's monthly **e-newsletter**, THE WHEEL. In addition to being sent electronically to about 900 Rotarians & Inner Wheel members, a print version is also created. The one-page print version is mailed to all Rotary Club Presidents (except RC of Queenstown as members are quite satisfied with the e-Version) for dissemination to members. The newsletter is also made available on the Foundation's website www.rotaryfoundationsing.org.

ROTARY FAMILY SERVICE CENTRE

Rotary Family Service Centre's Case Management service assisted 246 families in FY 2003/04. This figure represents 85 cases brought forward from the previous reporting period and 161 new cases. Families were provided with various types of assistance, including but not limited to financial assistance, help with job-seeking, budget management and advocacy.

RFSC has continued to run a varied portfolio of programmes for children. About 16 children were enrolled in the Toy & Book Library (for pre-schoolers), another 48 in the Sunshine Club (for primary school children) and another 18 students in the Study Heart Club (free tuition programme).

Programmes for adults have also been well received. One hundred and five seniors were registered with the physiotherapy programme, which has sessions on Wednesdays and Saturdays. About 20 attended the Thursday afternoon bingo games regularly and another 15 attended bi-monthly handicraft sessions.



Tabulated below are significant community service projects and events:

2 Aug 2003	<u>'Cinematica 2003</u> 24 Children attended the event.	Sponsored by Rotaract Club of SMU
8 Aug 2003	<u>National Day Celebration</u> 29 Children attended the celebrations.	
1 Oct 2003	<u>Children's Day Celebration</u> 28 Children attended the celebrations.	
27 Sep 2003	<u>Deepavali Celebration</u> 246 Clementi and West Coast residents from different ethnic groups came together to celebrate the event.	Organised with the Family Resource & Training Centre and Pei Tong Primary School. Supported by MCDS.
22 Nov 2003	<u>Visit to the Chinatown Heritage Centre Cum Lunch</u> 46 senior citizens attended the event.	Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Pandan Valley
6 Dec 2003	<u>Visit to the Science Centre Cum Snow City</u> 36 children attended the event.	Sponsored by Rotary Club of Jurong Town.
13 Dec 2003	<u>Year End Celebration 2003</u> 25 children attended the event.	Sponsored by Rotary Club of Orchard & Inner Wheel Club of S'pore East
8 Feb 2004	<u>Bus Ride Around the Island cum Lunch</u> 24 senior citizens attended the event.	Sponsored by Rotary Club of Marina City & Alumni Association – Women's Chapter
14 Feb 2004	<u>Lunch Invitation for Needy Senior Citizens</u> 10 Senior citizens attended the lunch.	Sponsored by Pei Tong Primary School
21 Feb 2004	<u>ACJC Fun Fair</u> 13 children attended the event.	
17 Mar 2004	<u>Singapore International Art Festival By Prudential – "Clown Things"</u> 15 Children attended.	
17 Mar 2004	Screening Movie " After School" 19 Children attended the movie.	Sponsored by Rotary Club of S'pore East



4 Apr 2004	<u>Free Eye Screening</u> A total of 98 senior citizens attended this event.	Jointly organised by Rotary Club of Queenstown & Singapore Women's Association
18 Apr 2004	<u>Screening Movie "Cat In The Hat"</u> 11 Children attended the movie.	Sponsored by Rotary Club of S'pore West
24 Apr 2004	<u>Visit to the Botanic Gardens & Orchid Garden</u> 55 Senior citizens attended the event.	Sponsored by Alpha Financial Advisers Pte Ltd
23 June 2004	<u>Visit to the Jurong Bird Park</u> 23 children attended the event	Sponsored by Rotary Club of Bukit Timah

In addition to the above, Rotary Club of Jurong Town has sponsored once a month meal for Children from Sunshine and Bumblebee clubs.

ROTARY COUNSELLING CENTRE (RCC)

The premises for the Rotary Counselling Centre (RCC) were completed in May 2002. It is designed as a social enterprise providing quality clinical counselling services to the community, while generating revenue to support itself and the activities of the Rotary Family Service Centre. In this financial year the RCC through the following programmes generated an income of \$101,000:

- Domestic violence group work for perpetrators
- Domestic violence group work for survivors
- Counseling for individuals and families affected by domestic violence
- Social skills literacy training for young people on Probation Training Orders
- Communication skills training for parents of offenders under Mandatory Orders

The RCC counselling group dealt with 205 cases in FY 2003/04. This figure includes 65 cases brought forward from the previous reporting period and 140 new presentations. FY2003/04 saw the launch of two new programmes at RCC: PTO (Probation Training Order) for juvenile offenders and Group Therapy for Domestic Violence for Men and Women.



FUTURE PLANS OF ROTARY FSC & RCC

The FSC would be introducing new and innovative support programmes for its clients and their dependents. The direction of the FSC would be to enable its clientele to take responsibility for their present situations and take active measures to improve their living standards and the education of their children. To this end, more targeted family life education activities will be carried out with the support of MCYS. The Life Skills programme for Single Mothers is one that was developed by Rotary FSC and funded by South West CDC.

The RCC would widen its counselling programmes to reach a bigger group of people. The current programmes are part of the growing suite of workshops available at RCC. New programmes are continually being developed. Professional development courses are expected to drive revenue growth.

ROTARY AYER-RAJAH STUDENT CARE CENTRE

Funding

From the \$386,476 held by the Foundation on behalf of the Rotary FSC, the Student Care Centre received an advance of \$334,566 as working capital for the period 4 January 1999 to 30th June 2003. For the financial year July 2003-June 2004, no advance was given.

The total income for the financial year is \$ 122,654. The amount includes programme fees, subsidies granted to students under the Student Care Fee Assistance (SCFA) administered by South West CDC, and fees sponsored by Rotary Club of Singapore West and Rotary Club of Jurong Town. Five students were sponsored by the two Rotary Clubs.

Enrolment

The enrolment for the financial year is tabulated below:

2003						2004					
July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
52	46	47	46	47	45	52	53	54	46	46	50



The centre had an average enrolment of 49 students for the year ended 30th June 2004. 31 students were being subsidised under the Student Care Fee Assistance Scheme (SCFA), administered by South West CDC. This is about 63% of the average enrolment.

For the financial year, the enrolment of the centre decreased by 11% from an average enrolment of 55 (2003) to 49 students. The decrease is due to the BASC program set up by Pandan Primary School (beside the centre) which is offered free to their students.

Activities & Programmes

The following activities were carried out during the School Holidays:

Sep / Nov / Dec 2003

- a. Educational Visit to Sungei Buloh Park
- b. Fun at Escape Theme Park
- c. Excursions to Changi Airport and Pasir Ris Park
- d. Fun at Singapore Sentosa Island
- e. Joint Fun Fair at SCC with Teban Gardens Residents' Committees

March 2004

- f. Educational Visit to Asian Civilisation Museum
- g. Excursion to West Coast Park

June 2004

- h. Fun at Water Theme Park
- i. Educational Visit to Fish Ball factory
- j. Picnic and cycling at East Coast Park
- k. Excursion to West Coast Park
- l. Barbeque at the centre for parents/students

The following programmes were carried throughout the year:

- Online tutorials (www.i-tutor.net) based on school academic subjects are conducted for the students on every Tuesday and Thursday.
- Everyday, the centre conducts at least half-an-hour of reading programmes for the students.
- Story-telling contests are organised on every last Friday of the month.
- An 8-session Speech & Drama programmes was conducted at the centre for SCC students.



Publicity and Promotion

The amount incurred for the publicity and promotion of the centre is \$ 315. Two banners were put up at the centre. Leaflets to promote the services of the centre was distributed to the residents in Teban Gardens and Pandan Gardens estates. Leaflets were also distributed to Qifa Primary School, Pandan Primary School, Jin Tai Primary School and Yue Hua Primary School. An Open House was organised in November 2003 to facilitate recruitment of new students. A kiosk was set up in Qifa Primary School to display exhibits of the services and programmes of the centre, and at the same time to enrol new students.

Future

For FY 2004/05, the Centre would be embarking on a number of enrichment programmes and a children's camp to offer more choices to the residents of the neighbourhood, including residents of Jurong East and West. It is expected that with these programmes, student enrolment would increase significantly.

PUBLICITY OF FOUNDATION'S PROJECTS

The Foundation has continued its effort to create awareness amongst all Rotary Clubs in Singapore of its long-term projects. Presentations were made at Rotary Clubs giving programme details of the Rotary FSC, SCC and RCC. The President Elects were given a special briefing by the Chairman and members of the Board.

A monthly e-newsletter was initiated in May 2002. Besides being posted on the Foundation's website, www.rotaryfoundationsing.org, it is also sent electronically to all Rotarians in Singapore with e-mail accounts. Furthermore, a print version is also created every month and delivered to all Rotary Club Presidents for distribution to their members. The Foundation has received positive feedback from Rotary Club members regarding the content, presentation and modes of delivery.

During the Joint-Presidents' meetings, the Foundation provided continuous updates on the programmes and services. Details of programmes and services carried out at Rotary FSC, SCC and RCC were given together with funds required.



For the Centennial year, there was a general consensus that all Rotary Clubs could be involved in a joint project. As a result, the Meals from the Heart project was launched

Over the past year, the conference room of the Rotary FSC has been made available for all Rotary Clubs for their Board or Committee meetings. Furthermore, Rotary Clubs were encouraged to use the Rotary FSC as their Community Service platform. The facilities are also available for used for the Joint-Presidents' meetings.

FUTURE PLANS

Owing to the poor economic situation, the Board has placed on hold the development of the Rotary Youth Development Centre project which was reported at the last AGM. For this financial year, the Board would embark on two fund raising projects to build up its reserves.

PDG Gerald Minjoot
Chairman
Board of Directors