

SEVENTY TIMES SEVEN ANNUAL REPORT





Seventy Times Seven (“70x7”) (previously known as “Life Anew!”) was registered with National Council of Social Service (NCSS) as a fund of Prison Fellowship Singapore (“PFS”) with the status of an Institution of a Public Character (IPC) on 1 November 2009. In January 2015, the Ministry of Social and Family Development approved the name change.

IPC Number : IP000680

Unique Entity Number (UEN): T09CC0007H

Registered Address: 50 Playfair Road #03-01, Noel Building Singapore 367995

Executive Director: Andrew Tay (appointed 21 March 2016)

Banker: Development Bank of Singapore Ltd

Auditor: Baker Tilly TFW LLP

ABOUT SEVENTY TIMES SEVEN (“70x7”)

70x7 is an initiative and a fund of Prison Fellowship Singapore Limited (PFS). It was set up to fund activities of PFS that are both non-religious and pro-social in nature. The programmes funded by 70x7 have the objective of journeying with inmates, ex-offenders and their families from brokenness into wholeness, regardless of their race and religion.



Vision

Our vision is reconciliation of love and justice.

Our core activities funded by 70x7 include:

strengthening the community partnership and engagement

creating and implementing programmes that bring inmates and the community together

educational and welfare assistance for inmates' families

Victim Empathy Programme in prison

coordinating the National Youth Achievement Award in Reformative Training Centre

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Name	Designation	Occupation	Date of Appointment
Ms. Melissa Kwee Mei Wan [^]	Member/ Chairman	CEO, National Volunteer & Philanthropy Centre	28 August 2013
Dr Ho Yew Kee	Member/ Chairman	Professor, Associate Provost, Singapore Institute of Technology	13 February 2014
Ms Ho Kah Yin	Member/ Treasurer	Group CFO, Acorn Marketing & Research Consultants (Group) Pte Ltd	4 June 2018
Dr. Yap Chee Meng	Member	Deputy Head & Senior Lecturer, Department of Industrial & Systems Engineering, National University of Singapore	1 June 2016
Mr Timothy Wong Kok Chee*	Member	Managing Director, Head Group Research/Asian Insight Office, DBS Bank	1 June 2016
Ms Lisa Theng	Member	Managing Partner, CNP Law LLP	23 Apr 2019
Mr David Koh	Member	Ex HR Director, Inchcape (South Asia)	23 Apr 2019

* Resigned on 23 April 2019

[^] Resigned on 23 April 2019 and joined PFS Board

Attendance at MC and Joint Board (with PFS) Meetings

Name	25 Feb 2019 Joint Board	02 May 2019	15 May 2019 Joint Board	23 Sept 2019 Joint Board	30 Oct 2019	02 Dec 2019 Joint Board
Ms Melissa Kwee Mei Wan	0	1	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned
Dr Ho Yew Kee	1	1	1	1	1	0
Ms Ho Kah Yin	1	0	1	0	1	0
Dr Yap Chee Meng	1	0	0	1	0	0
Mr Timothy Wong	0	1	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned	Resigned
Ms Lisa Theng	Not appointed Yet	Not appointed Yet	0	1	1	1
Mr David Koh	Not appointed Yet	Not appointed Yet	1	1	1	1

POLICIES

FUNDING SOURCES

70x7 is financially supported by donations from churches, organisations, individuals, foundations, and government grants.

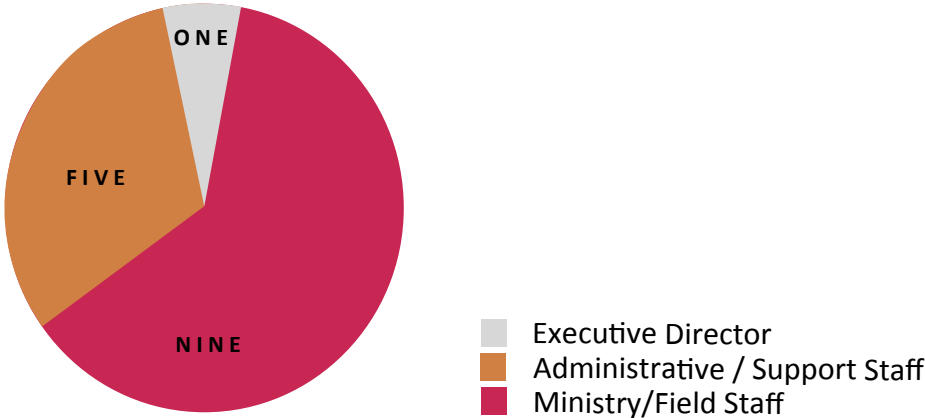
MANAGEMENT & AVOIDANCE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

We require members of the Management Committee to fill in and sign a Conflict of Interest Form each year and declare any potential conflict of interest situation.

STAFFING

70x7 is a fund of Prison Fellowship Singapore and not a legal entity. Therefore, it does not have any staff. The staffing information below pertains to Prison Fellowship Singapore:

As at 31 December 2019, there is a total of 15 staff, comprising 14 full-time and 1 part-time staff:



ACTIVITIES FUNDED AND MANAGED BY 70X7



THROUGH CARE MINISTRY

IN-CARE (FOR INMATES)

70x7 helps the prison authority to conduct a part of their Gang Desistence programme where inmates are shown ways by which they can renounce their gang affiliation and turn over a new leaf.

AFTERCARE (FOR RELEASED MALE & FEMALE EX-OFFENDERS)

Aftercare activities commence at the prison gate on the day of an inmate's release. When requested by an inmate, he/she will be met by volunteers and/or staff at the time of his/her release ("Prison Gate"). The ex-offender will then be followed up through a journeying process which include support in the areas of skills upgrading, job placements and financial aid, etc. The objective of Aftercare is to journey with the ex-offender as he/she re-integrates into the society.

Activities funded in Aftercare include:

- Case management and referrals
- Job referrals and placements
- Skills upgrading talks/ workshops
- Bonding gatherings and birthday celebrations
- Financial and practical assistance

FAMILY CARE MINISTRY (FOR FAMILY MEMBERS OF INMATES AND EX-OFFENDERS)

We partner with churches, volunteers, and organisations to bring love and support to families of inmates to break the inter-generational cycle of offending. Through programmes designed to help the affected adults, youth and children, we hope to assist in the strengthening of the family units and providing an environment that is conducive for reconciliation of inmates and ex-offenders to their family members, and their eventual re-integration into society.

Practical support for inmates' families include medical visits, escorts to visit inmates in prison, social assistance referral and case management, financial aid, educational programmes for children, educational bursary and outings for children and family members.

Activities under Family Care include:

- Children and youth programmes
- Care Club (weekly children's programme with one-to-one tuition and group enrichment activities)
- School holiday programmes and outings
- Early Learning Programme – numeracy and literacy programme for weaker students
- Educational psychologist assessment
- Counselling and therapy
- Educational sponsorship
- Financial assistance, groceries support, Milk and Diapers programme
- Family bonding events / outings
- Share God's love
- Events and celebrations
- Case management and referrals; family visits
- Volunteer outings/ retreat

VOLUNTEER PARTNERSHIP & ENGAGEMENT

Volunteers are our valuable partners. It is through constant engagement with them that we will eventually see a community that embraces inmates, ex-offenders and their families. We aim to continue to work on enhancing our care and equipping of volunteers through training and various engagement activities.

ACTIVITIES FUNDED INCLUDE:

- Training and talks to equip volunteers to provide both practical and emotional support to inmates, ex-offenders and their families
- Engagement of volunteers to connect and express appreciation for their partnership and support
- Volunteer recruitment / interviews
- Bonding meetings/ events

TRAINING PROVIDED TO VOLUNTEERS:

- Parenting Principles
- Understanding the Use of Genograms
- Anti-Drug Advocate Program
- Managing Stress & Anger
- Mental Wellness & Self-care
- PDPA Data Protection
- Befriending Communication Skills
- Psychology of Substance User & Criminals

PFS AT A GLANCE

**PFS GALA DINNER:
CELEBRATING 66th ANNIVERSARY OF PRISON MINISTRY IN SINGAPORE**



**DATE:
28TH AUGUST 2019**

**VENUE:
MARRIOTT TANGS PLAZA HOTEL**

**PFS GALA DINNER:
CELEBRATING 66th ANNIVERSARY OF PRISON MINISTRY IN SINGAPORE**



ATTENDED BY:

Guest of Honour, Mr Desmond Lee, Minister of Social & Family Development

Special Guest, Mr Amrin Amin, Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs

Mr Desmond Chin, Commissioner of Prisons

Head of major religious denominations

Senior Pastors of various independent churches

Leaders of Christian Organisations

Volunteers, Beneficiaries

Donors

New & old friends of PFS

In all, about 500 guests



PLANS FOR 2019

70x7 will continue to focus on funding and running programmes that are pro-social in nature. It will also look out for opportunities to collaborate with like-minded agencies in the same sphere to deliver the best care and services to the beneficiaries.

REVIEW AND EXPLANATION

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATE AND EXPLANATION OF MAJOR FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS:

70x7 recorded a net surplus of **\$220,714** for the financial year ended 31 December 2019. This is attributed mainly to donations raised through the Gala Dinner event (held in celebration of the 66th anniversary of prison ministry in Singapore), as well as receipt of Care & Share grant disbursement from NCSS (National Council of Social Service).

REVIEW AND CHANGES IN THE POLICY

NIL

EXPLANATION OF THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE CHARITY'S ASSETS ARE HELD

PASSENGER VAN

The passenger van (purchased in 2016) which is held in trust by PFS for the benefit of 70x7 was used mainly for:

- Ferrying
 - ex-offenders and their family members to their home, halfway houses or for other purposes
 - children of ex-offenders to and from home for Care Club, KayCan and other activities
 - staff and volunteers for various activities
- Home visits and delivery of donated food or other items to beneficiaries
- Transport for festive celebrations, camps and other activities

FUTURE PLANS & COMMITMENTS

70x7 intends to fund and manage more pro-social, non-religious work amongst those whose lives have been affected by crime. Some highlights are:

- 1 Continue to support ex-offenders by equipping them with necessary skills, assist in job placements, and in meeting their social needs
- 2 To enhance the Prison Gate programme to boost the number of ex-offenders who will consider joining the support group activities
- 3 To plan new In-Care programmes that will reach more of the prison population
- 4 To continue reaching out to the families of inmates through the Family Care Ministry
- 5 Becoming more involved with other rehabilitative agencies and partners such as the CARE network

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Statement of accounts and reports for the financial year ended 31 December 2019 are as per our submission on the Charity Portal.



Thank You
and
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