

# SP Group brings Chinese New Year cheer to 2,300 underprivileged families

## Singapore

THE Chinese New Year period is not only a time for loved ones and friends to gather, but one to give back to the community.

With that in mind, some 300 SP Group staff volunteers, who call themselves SP Heart Workers, handed out gift packs to more than 2,300 families in Buona Vista, Geylang Bahru, Punggol North, Tampines West, Toa Payoh-Balestier, Woodgrove and Yio Chu Kang.

Each family received a “Power Pack” containing essential food items such as rice, Milo, biscuits and canned food – items donated and packed by SP employees.

SP Group has been organising distribution drives for such gift packs since 2015.

Many of these families live in districts

where SP’s Heart Workers regularly spend time and resources supporting seniors and families from underprivileged backgrounds.

Among the recipients were 200 residents in Toa Payoh West-Balestier, an area where SP Heart Workers regularly serve lunches to seniors at Meeting Point@128, a senior activity centre that SP Group helped to set up a year ago.

These volunteers host a range of activities that include game and craftwork sessions, and even digital clinics on the use of smart phones and mobile applications; they also promote awareness of electrical and gas safety, and take the seniors on outings to places of interest.

On Jan 17, the seniors were invited to a carnival held at SP Group’s headquarters.



**SP Group’s chief corporate officer Wong Chit Sieng (left) and volunteer Gladys Lie (right) with Francisca Katherine d/o Andrew (second from right) and her family. PHOTO: SP GROUP**