



Building & Bridging Communities

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Mr Lee's Vision for PA

GOVT. WILL ESTABLISH A PEOPLE'S ASSN. — LEE

THE Prime Minister, Mr. Lee Kuan Yew, today said that the Government had decided to set up a "People's Association" to keep in constant touch with the people at non-government level.

In this association, he said, representation would be on the one hand from the mass organisations and on the other hand, from the elected political leadership.

Mr. Lee was speaking to the first batch of 14 youths who are undergoing a seven-week leadership training and orientation course at the National Recreation Centre.

Formally opening the class, he said: "This is the first time in the history of Singapore that a Government sets out to bring itself and its activities to the people. You as organisers must bring the Government closer to the people in their recreational, cultural, educational and other group activities."

Separate entities

"In the past, the Government was something distinct and separate. The people and their activities were one entity on the ground and the Government and the administration were something separate over and above, giving orders, downwards. In between were the 'brokers' who acted as middlemen between the Government and the people."

"These were the committees of social, cultural and other organisations." The Government would accept or reject their representations, he said.

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Mr. Lee said that part of the process of making the people participate in the Government was for the administrative organs "to grow roots in the hearts and minds by closer participation of the representatives of the Government

views.

Keeping in touch

"In other words, no longer is the Government to wait until there is a request from the ground organisations before it acts."

"It is necessary to keep in constant touch with the people not only to know what their grievances are but also to inculcate in them social qualities which will be useful in the building up of our society."

"In the present phase of political development it will be easier to do this at a non-government level. For this reason, we have decided to set up the People's Association."

Present at the opening ceremony were the Minister for Labour and Law, Mr. K. M. Byrne; Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister, Mr. Chan Sun Wing; Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Health, Dr. Sheng Nam Chin, and the Director of Social Welfare, Mr. W. S. Woon.

"To bring Government and its activities to the people."

"To keep in constant touch with the people to know their grievances"

"To inculcate social qualities... in building up society"

PM Lee Kuan Yew,
The Straits Times, 26 Apr 1960

Uncertain Global Environment; New Threats; Greater Societal Contestation & More Vocal Populace



**SYONAN
GALLERY**
WAR AND ITS LEGACIES

Indonesian police foil rocket attack plot on Marina Bay;
Singapore steps up security



Diverse and New Communities

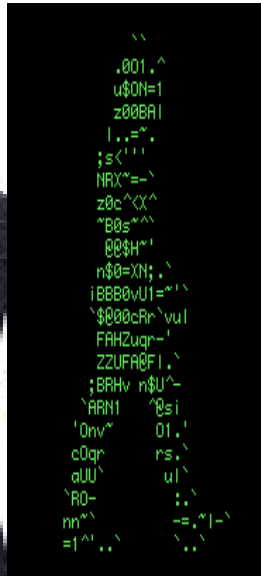
Frequents KiasuParents.com



Food Lover and Blogger



Shops Online



Resident Profile:

Mr Jin Bo Eng
42 Year Old PMET

Church-goer



Avid Cyclist



Volunteers at ASD



Enjoys Family Holidays



Too Much, Too Complex, No Time

How Lease Buyback works

34 years 30 years

\$27,500
+ \$900 per month



NEW EDUSAVE AWARDS FOR ITE & POLYTECHNIC STUDENTS IN 2017

AWARDS	ITE	POLY	CRITERIA
EDUSAVE SKILLS AWARD	\$500	\$500	For up to 10% of graduating students who have demonstrated excellent application of course-specific skills and soft skills in the course of their studies.
EDUSAVE GOOD PROGRESS AWARD	\$400	\$400	For the top 10% of students from each level and course from each school in terms of academic performance improvement.*
EDUSAVE MERIT BURSARY	\$500	\$500	For the top 25% of students in each level and course from each school in terms of academic performance, whose household income does not exceed \$5,000 (or per capita income does not exceed \$1,500).

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GST Voucher - U-Save and Special Payment for January 2015

Flat Type	Jul 2014*			Oct 2014*			Jan 2015			Apr 2015		
	Regular GSTV - U-Save	Special Payment	Total	Regular GSTV - U-Save	Special Payment	Total	Regular GSTV - U-Save	Special Payment	Total	Regular GSTV - U-Save	Special Payment	Total
1-Room	\$65	\$130	\$195	\$65	\$65	\$130	\$65	\$130	\$195	\$65		\$65
2-Room	\$65	\$130	\$195	\$65	\$65	\$130	\$65	\$130	\$195	\$65		\$65
3-Room	\$60	\$90	\$150	\$60	\$60	\$90	\$60	\$90	\$150	\$60		\$60
4-Room	\$55	\$55	\$110	\$55	\$55	\$55	\$55	\$55	\$110	\$55		\$55
5-Room	\$50	\$50	\$100	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$100	\$50		\$50
Executive	\$45	\$45	\$90	\$45	\$45	\$45	\$45	\$45	\$90	\$45		\$45

Note: Households whose members own more than one property are not eligible for the GSTV - U-Save.
* Rebates have already been paid out.



GST Voucher - U-Save for April 2016

Flat type	Rebate for Apr 2016	To be given in Jul 2016	To be given in Oct 2016	To be given in Jan 2017	Total rebate annually
1- and 2-Room	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$260
3-Room	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$240
4-Room	\$55	\$55	\$55	\$55	\$220
5-Room	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$200
Executive/Multi-Generation	\$45	\$45	\$45	\$45	\$180

Note: Households whose members own more than one property are not eligible for the GST Voucher - U-Save.



Enhanced Lease Buyback Scheme



CONCESSIONS ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT

NO CHANGE to fare structure

NEW: Off-Peak Monthly Travel Pass (level of pass and cost)

Public Transport Vouchers (PTV) for Special Needs

CDA First Step Grant and Total Government Contribution

Birth Order	Existing	New (For children born on or after March 24, 2016)		
	Co-savings caps (A)	CDA First Step grant - NEA (Deposited by the Government) (B)	Adjusted co-savings caps (Government matches savings deposited by parents dollar-for-dollar up to the caps below) (C)	Maximum amount provided by Government (B + C = A)
1st and 2nd	\$6,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$6,000
3rd and 4th	\$12,000	\$3,000	\$9,000	\$12,000
5th and higher	\$18,000	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$18,000

Source: Ministry of Finance STRAITS TIMES GRAPHICS

CDA First Step Grant

When you open the CDA, you have a CHOICE:

WAIT

WAIT till 1 July 2016 before saving in the CDA to enjoy CDA First Step

Enjoy new grant

OR Receive existing benefits

Start saving before 1 July 2016 to receive current Govt matching. But NO CDA First Step

Our Underlying Purpose remains Unchanged

*To Build and to Bridge communities in achieving
One People, One Singapore*

Nation

1. Racial Harmony
2. Social Cohesion
3. National Resilience

Individual

1. Sense of Identity
2. Sense of Belonging
3. Togetherness

The Grassroots Triangle

P-P: Bonding & Building Communities

People

People



*G-P:
Communicating &
Assuring;
Mobilising the
Community*

*P-G: Reflecting
Voice of People*

Government

1. Creating Common Spaces; Bringing People Together



Photo Credit: 25 years with the people 1990-2015, People's Association 25th Anniversary Publication

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2. Deepening Engagement with Residents




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MediShieldLife

 Coverage for All

All Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents will be automatically included in 2015

 Coverage for Life

 Better Benefits

MediShield Life pays more of your hospital bills



3. Doing With, not Doing For



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Beyond SG50, Towards SG100

1. Resident-Centricity
2. Residents helping Residents
3. Creating the space & platforms to empower residents

