Second Family Research Network (FRN) Forum: "Empowering Vulnerable Families"

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SECOND FAMILY RESEARCH NETWORK FORUM

EMPOWERING VULNERABLE FAMILIES

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Community Development Councils (CDC)

- Delegation of Social Assistance Function
 - Bridge between people and government
 - Ability to respond
- Trend of applications
 - increase in many folds since 2000



Assisting the Needy

- One of the 3 Key Thrusts of CDC
- Our Approach
 - holistic immediate relief, advice and coaching, monitoring
 - Complementary preventive and educational help

Sharing from personal experience from the Ground with case illustrations



Who are the needy family?

- Without means of support
 - No/little support
 - Permanently unable to work
- Just able to cope
 - Low-wage worker
- Dysfunctional family with multipleproblems

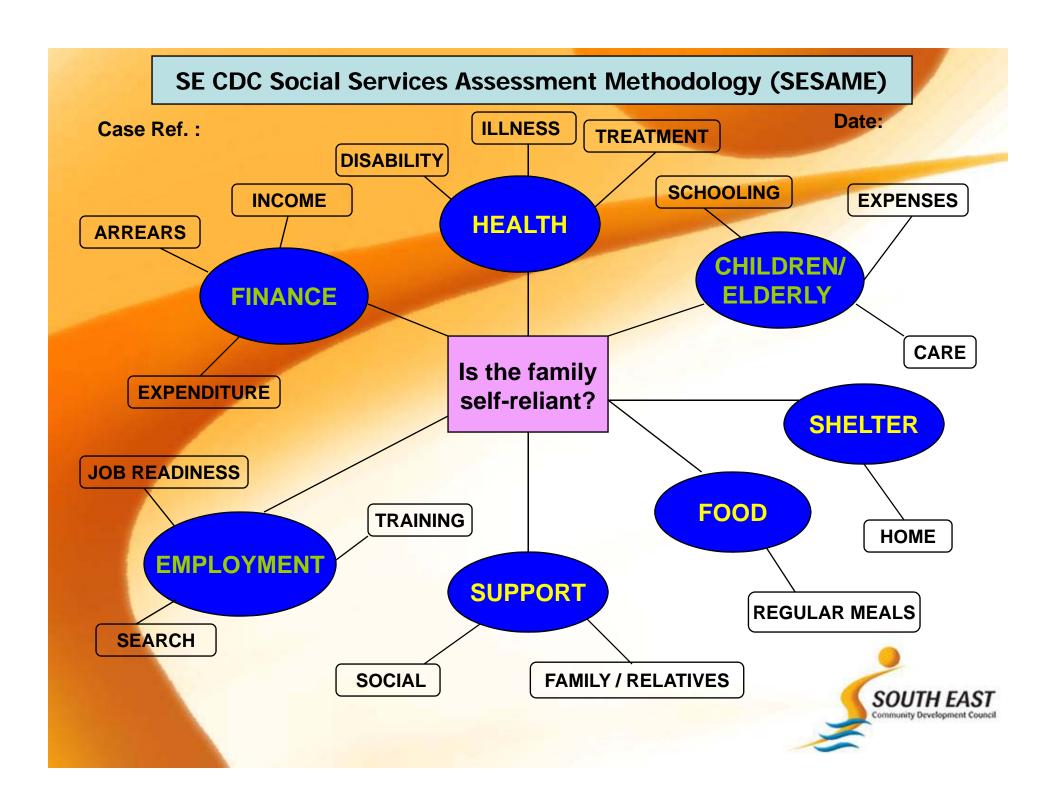


Help Approach

Goal – family is able to achieve self-reliance

"A self-reliant family is able to earn stable and sufficient income to cover its basic needs, including adequate education for the children, and lives within its means"





Challenges

Chronic issues

Single parent

Sandwich generation

Elderly with grown children



Building Resilience

Responsive Relief, Sustained Remedy

GROW

SELF-RELIANCE

ENABLE

NOW

We Care, You See

Food Vouchers

Power Up Vouchers

Transport Vouchers

Tembusu Transport

BEYOND

Edu-Bridge
Learning Family

MoneyWise Budgeting Workshop

MoneyWise Healthy Cooking Workshop

MoneyWise Stop Smoking Workshop Community Outreach
Programme for
The Elderly

EMPOWERMENT

PA Activity Fund

Home Care Assist



The End

