

## **HELLO!** FROM PATRICK TAY

Dear Pioneer Residents.

We recently concluded our Post-Budget 2024 Dialogue with the Pioneer SMC and West Coast GRC Advisers and volunteers. This engaging session offered valuable insights into the concerns of our residents and provided an opportunity to clarify the reasoning behind the decisions in Budget 2024. We hope this session has empowered them to effectively address any questions you might have.







**Education Merit Awards Ceremony** 

## Care

We presented the Pioneer Education Merit Awards to eligible students residing in our Pioneer Community. It was encouraging to see many students qualify for and receive these awards. During the event, we also shared updates on various developments within the Pioneer Constituency. Thank you, parents, for always showing up for your child. I am sure it means a lot to them.

Our monthly free haircut service for senior residents has been warmly received, and as usual, we had a great turnout.

## Connect

We held our inaugural Pioneer Eco Fest 2024 at The Frontier CC and I am glad to see a diverse group of residents attend the event, enjoying all the complimentary sustainability-theme workshop and performances. The event highlighted our community commitment towards sustainability with activities focused on recycling and upcycling.

Thanks also to our Malay Activity Executive Committee and our various grassroots teams, we were able to distribute porridge to our Pioneer Constituency residents, spreading warmth and community spirit during the month of Ramadan. We have also started an open-mic initiative called "Pioneer Crescendo" and just completed the first show on Mother's Day weekend at the ever popular Jurong Point/Boon Lay MRT station. Look out for more innovative events coming your way!



Ramadan Porridge Distribution

## Create

On the topic of sustainability - we too had another round of our monthly tree planting together with Zone 1 RN Looks like we are on target to plant 500 trees here in Pioneer by this year! I have also started a tradition of sorts where the town council team and I perform an 'estate walk' to spot some of the possible areas within the neighbourhood that we can do better. I will work closely with the team on enhancements for our Pioneer residents.

> For senior residents seeking greater convenience and navigating age-related challenges, I am pleased to share HDB's Enhancement for Active Seniors (EASE 2.0). The recent enhancements includes bidet sprays installation and lowering of toilet entrance kerbs. These modifications will significantly improve safety and mobility for our seniors at home. I strongly encourage our seniors to find out more from the official HDB website. Do approach our volunteers and constituency staff if you need help.



As we celebrate Vesak Day and look forward to Hari Raya Haji, I wish all our Buddhist and Muslim residents peace, joy, and prosperity. These special days remind us of the rich diversity and harmony within our community.

We look forward to your continued support and participation in our community. Let's create a caring, connected, and vibrant Pioneer together. See you at our next event!



Warmest regards, Patrick Tay





