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Seniors Have A Splashing Good Time On A DUCKTour Outing

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Singapore, 21 February 2024 – Some 40 beneficiaries from two senior homes, Adventist Home for the Elders and St John's Home for Elderly Persons had a splashing good time on a DUCKTour outing as part of Hong Leong Foundation's annual charity event. This event aims to build mental and social well-being, driving the Health Promotion Board's initiatives to "Live Well, Age Well" for Singapore's aging community.

It was a memorable time for the seniors from Adventist Home for the Elders and St. John's Home for Elderly Persons. They toured the city in an hour-long land and sea historic adventure of the Civic District, where sights of the iconic city skyline and landmarks such as the Old Supreme Court and the War Memorial Park ignited deep memories. The event ended with games and performances, and a sumptuous Lunar New Year buffet spread at Orchard Hotel which includes Double Boiled Ginseng Black Chicken Soup and Peking Duck.

Sharing love with the beneficiaries are staff volunteers across the Hong Leong Group of companies including City Developments Limited, Hong Leong Holdings, Millennium Hotels and Resorts, Hong Leong Finance, Hong Leong Asia and Hong Realty. Together with the seniors and volunteers, the event saw a total turnout of nearly 70 people.

The charity event is part of Hong Leong Foundation's annual outreach to the silver community for over 40 years. The Foundation also made cash contributions of nearly S\$460,000 to 2,870 elderly beneficiaries under the Ministry of Social and Family Development's ComCare Long-Term Assistance scheme.

"Helping seniors integrate into the community is vital towards their holistic care and wellbeing. Through this event, we are able to see the smiles we bring to the beneficiaries, reminding us just how impactful and precious such face-to-face engagements are to them," said **Ms Michelle Kwek**, a governor of Hong Leong Foundation who was among the organisers behind today's charity event.

Hong Leong Foundation is the charity arm of Hong Leong Group. Since its establishment in 1980, the Foundation has been the main driver of the Group's philanthropic initiatives through education, welfare, the elderly, heritage, and the Arts. In 2023, the Foundation donated nearly S\$4 million to several causes, including the Lee Kuan Yew Centennial Fund, National Kidney Foundation, Crimson Wetlands at Bird Paradise, Fragile Forest Exhibit at Singapore Zoo, Institute of Technical Education, Singapore Association for Mental Health, and Dance Ensemble Singapore.

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