

Two thousand families in the MacPherson area woke up to a surprise gift on a Saturday morning, as **Care Community Services Society** blessed each household with two kilograms of rice. **By Evelyn Chan**

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In July this year, The Dairy Farm Group held a skipping challenge and donated 20,000 kilograms of rice to Care Community Services Society (CCSS). Of these, 4,000 kilograms were designated for 2,000 households in Balam, MacPherson, Circuit and Merpart Road, while 16,000 kilograms were distributed to 12,351 families through 46 other voluntary welfare organizations.

On 27 September, 160 enthusiastic volunteers from CCSS gathered together bright and early on a Saturday morning. They had the awesome task of going door to door to distribute the rice and bless the community. Each household in the 17 blocks received two kilograms of rice from the staff and volunteers. Their labour of love was met with positive response.

These are some of the responses of the recipients:

"I feel very warm and thankful" Madam Chong, 70

"We don't get free things in Singapore. I am surprised and happy" Seng Chee, 28

"I am very happy" Madam Chin, 53

Within two hours, all 2000 households had received their two kilograms packets of rice.

Blessing the community in such a tangible way was a meaningful exercise for the CCSS volunteers.

"It's good being the hands and legs of God to be used as a vehicle to bless others."

Elaine Lai, IT network specialist

"Even though it is a small gesture, it is also a nice way of touching lives, especially the elderly."

Tan Huiyin, healthcare worker

"We want to help people, so that they won't be weak and hungry."

Claudia Kong, pre-schooler

To find out how you can partner with us to serve the community either as a volunteer or a sponsor, please contact our Community Partnership Team:

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