

f. Volunteer Management

Since the launch of our services, more than 80 volunteers have responded to our appeal for help in various capacities. Our team of committed volunteers gives wholeheartedly of their precious time, energy and resources, without whom it would be almost impossible to run our events and programmes.



FaithActs also launched its Volunteer Management System in December 2004. The objectives of the system are to provide a central coordinating point for effective volunteer management within FaithActs, as well as to direct and assist staff and volunteer efforts to jointly provide programmes and services.

All volunteers are required to attend a Volunteers' Orientation workshop which serves to equip them with the basic knowledge of the mission and objectives of FaithActs. Methods of engaging youths and making a difference in their lives are also shared with the volunteers.



A series of workshops entitled "Mentoring our Adolescents" were also organised for the volunteers to equip them with mentoring skills and to help them understand the many issues that teenagers are facing today.

g. Counselling & Guidance

Our counselling and guidance programme is aimed at providing help, support and positive role models to youths and their families. This service is provided by trained social workers who help clients to overcome the many struggles with problems and life issues that they face, including those pertaining to relationships, finances, parenting and many others.



h. School Social Work & Family Life Education

The school social work service is aimed at supporting schools in the management and development of students and teachers. Our team of trained social workers and family life educators are on hand to organise appropriate programmes, conduct training, talks and workshops to students, parents, and teachers of the schools so that the students can obtain the maximum benefits of their schooling experience.

In order to meet the differing needs of the youths in each educational institute or student group, developmental, preventive and remedial programmes are specially designed to cater to each school or group that we work with. We aim to provide schools with quality school social work services such as: counselling, family life education, workshops, training and groupwork sessions which equip participants with necessary communication and life skills.

25th BOYS' BRIGADE AND 62nd GIRLS' BRIGADE COMPANIES

In 2004, the FaithActs staff team was invited to help organise games for a school camp as well as a Christmas carolling programme for the 25th Boys' Brigade (BB) and 62nd Girls' Brigade (GB) Companies during the end year school holidays. After weeks of practices, the BB and GB "choir" finally débuted at the Brighthill Evergreen Home.

The boys and girls sang wholeheartedly and were received with warm applause as well as invitations from the residents to visit them again. This programme was made even more meaningful by the little gifts of their favourite "tim sum" snack and teddy bears which were given to the elderly residents. At the end of the performance, the youths also enthusiastically helped with the serving of dinner and interacted with the residents. Many gave positive feedback about the programme as it was truly an experience of a lifetime for them.



25th BB and 62nd GB companies

STUDENTS FROM THE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ACCOUNTANCY, Ngee ANN POLYTECHNIC

Between January to March 2005, meetings and discussions were held with a lecturer and group of students from the School of Business and Accountancy, Ngee Ann Polytechnic, as they embarked on a mission to help us develop a multi-media presentation for our 1st Anniversary celebrations. By using this service learning pedagogy, the students not only had the "hands on" opportunity to put what they learnt in their classroom to good and practical use, it also deepened their understanding and appreciation of social and community needs through their interaction with our staff and visits to the Youth Hub.



Students from Ngee Ann Polytechnic

i. Youth and Community Outreach Events

The youth outreach programme is aimed at providing platforms for youths to learn, grow and develop by working together and / or reaching out to and meeting needs in the community and society. This is achieved through engaging them in meaningful activities such as community programmes, as well as sports, adventure or creative arts workshops, competitions and performances, which in turn help to build up their character, resilience, confidence and esteem.

The community outreach programme is aimed at meeting the needs of the people living in the community, thus enriching their family and community life. This includes free community health screenings, community parties, family field trips or excursions and parenting talks or workshops. In order to enhance their sense of social responsibility, the youths are also encouraged to help as volunteers in these activities, thus deepening their awareness of others, self, society and their roles in the community.

CAPTAIN'S BALL 5-on-5 COMPETITION

A Captain's Ball 5-on-5 competition was organised for secondary school students on 18 September 2004. This event was aimed at creating community awareness about the programmes and services of FaithActs, as well as to promote health, fitness, teamwork and sportsmanship amongst the youths. A total of 88 students took part in this fun-filled event.



COMMUNITY HEALTH SCREENING

As part of our efforts in reaching out to the community, we organised a community Health Screening on the 9 July 2005. Residents were given health checks for diabetes, blood pressure and BMI (Body Mass Index). A total of 85 residents participated in the screening.



1st Anniversary Celebrations

Charity Golf

The Charity Golf event was held on 15 April 2005 at the Raffles Country Club, Lake Course. It raised a total of \$26,242.54. The day ended with a dinner and lucky draws for the golfers at ShanShui Palace Restaurant. None of the golfers returned home empty handed. On top of the lucky draw prizes, they each received a little souvenir handmade by our youths – a photo frame with their group photos inserted – in appreciation for their generous donations and participation in this event.



Thanksgiving Dinner

The Thanksgiving Dinner was held at NUSS Guild House (Kent Ridge) on 23 April 2005. A total of 230 guests celebrated the evening with us. It was a fun and laughter filled event with lots of games and prizes to be won. There was even a percussion and dance performance followed by a short entertaining video (starring our youths), which brought great delight to our guests.



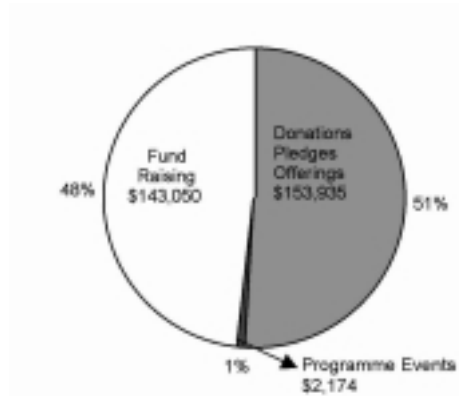
Youth Event @ Big Splash

To wrap up the celebrations, a BBQ session at the East Coast Park's "Big Splash" was planned for the youths. A total of 45 youths attended this event with food and fun filled activities such as games by the beach and splashing down the water slides.



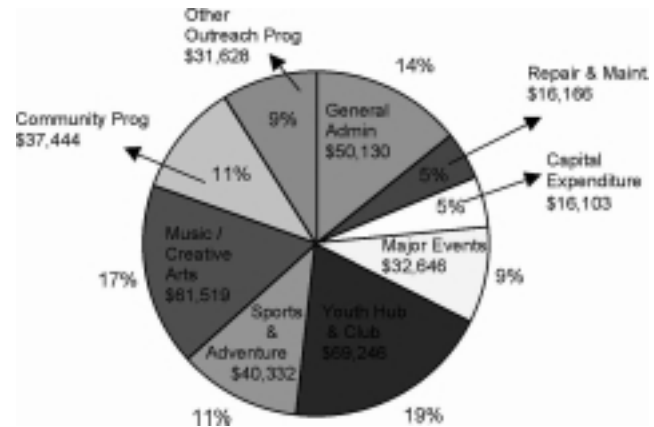
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Income for Year 2004-2005



Total Income \$299,159

Expenditure for Year 2004 - 2005



Total Expenditure \$355,214

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