

News Release

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THE CDL GROUP OF COMPANIES PUT UP A RESOUNDING SHOW OF SUPPORT AT THE ASSISI HOSPICE CHARITY FUN DAY 2008

The CDL Group of Companies is putting up a huge rally of support for the Assisi Hospice Charity Fun Day (CFD), which aims to raise \$500,000 for the hospice's expansion and improvement of its three core services: In-Patient Care, Home Services and Day Care Centres for adults and children suffering from cancer and other life-limiting illnesses. The CFD will be held this Sunday, 18 May at SJI International. It will have some 150 stalls of food, games and sale of crafts.

The CFD is organised by Assisi Hospice and co-organised by City Developments Limited (CDL) and its subsidiary, CBM Pte Ltd. CDL has also rallied its five Singapore hotels to participate at this event.

The CDL Group of Companies has sponsored some 37-metres of food and games stalls that promises a feast for the senses and a treat of thrilling experience for patrons, young and old alike. Delectable delicacies offered at the nine-stall CDL Pavilion include Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel's exquisite Tandoori Chicken and Thai Fish Cakes; freshly-baked muffins from Orchard Hotel; signature Chicken Pies and Curry Puffs from M Hotel; luscious Hokkien Mee Sua and Soya Bean Curd dessert from Copthorne King's Hotel and the mouth-watering Mee Siam from Copthorne Orchid Hotel. Staff of CDL have also lovingly prepared a spread of homemade specialties ranging from Singapore-style Lontong, Thai Bean Curd to Indian snacks like Vadai and Muruku!

Visitors looking for some action and excitement can also participate in a host of virtual sports such as tennis, golf and bowling, with fabulous prizes to be won.

Giving in Meaningful Ways

At CDL, there has always been a very strong culture of giving to charity financially, in effort and in kind. A long time community partner with Assisi Hospice, CDL has helped to defray the operational cost of the CFD as well as rallied its sister companies such as CBM Pte Ltd and its five Singapore hotels, namely Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, M Hotel, Copthorne Orchid, Copthorne King's and Orchard Hotel, to contribute to the event in a myriad of ways. These include providing manpower, transport and expertise for cleaning, security and waste management as well as sponsorship of hotel food specialties and F&B vouchers for the CFD hourly lucky draws.

CDL also believes in encouraging staff volunteerism, often injecting a fun element of ownership and involvement from staff to make the act of giving a meaningful one. The CFD will see some 225 staff from the CDL Group of Companies contributing about 1,200 volunteer manhours for the event. Several staff have also come on board from the onset of the fundraising project to lend their expertise such as design, decoration, food preparation and the coordination of logistics.

CDL has been cultivating and nurturing a corporate culture that gives back to the community. Our staff are empowered to be involved by volunteering their talents, resources and services. We believe that with this encouragement, staff enjoy ownership of the community project and can see the impact of their contribution.

This year's Assisi Hospice Charity Fun Day marks the fifth time that CDL has participated as co-organiser. Past employee involvement for Assisi Hospice includes adopting Assisi Hospice's "Teddy Banks" and raising \$60,000 within a month, befriending and hosting bi-annual outings for the children of the hospice during the school holidays.

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