

# **APDSF – AGM 2024**

## Singapore Country Report





**Every individual with Down syndrome has a right to a rich and meaningful life.**



**D**  
**Down**  
**Develop**



**S**  
**Syndrome**  
**Support**



**A**  
**Association**  
**Advocate**



## Develop

Individuals with Down syndrome through lifelong learning and social integration.

## Support

Families through specialist services, information, and education.

## Advocate

For equal opportunities, quality of life and their contribution to society.

**Syndrome Association (Singapore)**

**Physical**

**Independence**

**Social relationships**

**Psychological**

**Personal beliefs**

**Environment**

# Quality of Life

**Enabled**

for independence

**Engaged**

with family and community

**Empowered**

to pursue aspirations

# Our Services



## Children Development Services

- Early Start Programme
- Integration Facilitation Support Programme

## Adult Development Services

- Adult Education Programme
- Work Readiness Assisted Programme
- Enhanced Independence Programme
- Enrichment programmes

## Support and Advocacy Services

Pre-natal support  
 Caregivers Support

- Family Support Services
- Psychosocial Support
- Research
- Advocacy

## Communications and Engagement

Membership activities  
 Holiday Programmes

- Annual General Meeting
- Town Hall
- Fundraising

# Some of our new programmes



- Specialised learning support



- Social skills



- Enrichment programmes



- Lifelong learning



- Active Engagement



- Self-Advocacy





## **ENABLING MASTERPLAN 2030**

- The Enabling Masterplan 2030 charts out our hopes and dreams of a more caring and inclusive Singapore in 2030. Developed by, for, and with persons with disabilities and caregivers, it covers three strategic themes and 14 focal areas to enable persons with disabilities across all stages of life. Together, let's build a more inclusive Singapore for





## FOSTER INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY LIVING AND ENGAGEMENT



**Enhance community-based services** to enable persons with disabilities with higher support needs to live, work and engage in community living



Expand community living options for persons with disabilities, through **piloting the Enabled Living Programme (ELP)\***



**Develop a person- and family-centred planning framework** to support persons with disabilities and their caregivers



### **Footnote**

\*MSF and SG Enable will work with partners to design and pilot the ELP, to serve up to 250 clients from 2025 to 2028



## BOLSTER INCLUSIVE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Expected to place an estimated **4,500** persons with disabilities in employment by 2030 through:

**Growing and developing capabilities** of inclusive employers\*

**Uplifting capabilities** of job coaches

**Expanding employment opportunities through improving support** for persons with disabilities in short-term assignments or gig jobs

### **Footnote**

\*Key sectors: Food & Beverage Services, Retail Trade, Information & Communications, Health & Social Services, Transport & Storage, and Financial & Insurance Services



We will continue partnering with **employers, community partners, professionals** and **volunteers** to build an inclusive society, where persons with disabilities thrive and families are supported.





**DOWN SYNDROME ASSOCIATION**  
( S I N G A P O R E )

- **LEARNING EARLY YEARS**

- Strengthen Support for Lifelong Learning Early Intervention
- Expand Development Support – Learning Support programme to more preschools Inclusive Support Programme pilot to integrate early childhood and early intervention services at preschools

- **SCHOOLING YEARS** | 5 new **Special Education (SPED)** schools by 2030 2 new Early Intervention centres Build capacity of school personnel in all mainstream schools through Skills Future for Educators framework by mid-2023

- **Quality Inclusive Education Enhanced educational** experience through new SPED teaching and learning syllabuses **BEYOND SCHOOLING YEARS** Opportunities and Resources for Lifelong Learning Enabling Skills Framework to chart training and learning journeys Enabling Services Hubs



## **BEYOND SCHOOLING YEARS**

### **Opportunities and Resources for Lifelong Learning**

- Enabling Skills Framework to chart training and learning journeys
- Enabling Services Hubs pilot to provide on-site learning