

IN THE KNOW

In this edition of our newsletter, let's take a look at some of the recent highlights across AWWA, and celebrate the generosity of our partners!

AWWA x BCG Partnership

The COVID-19 pandemic led AWWA, like many other organisations, to re-examine how to best leverage technology to continue supporting its clients effectively and efficiently. Boston Consulting Group (BCG) stepped forward to work with AWWA to provide pro-bono consultation and support in the design and implementation of AWWA's overarching technology strategy.

Our CEO, Karthik, co-authored an article titled, "A Digital Roadmap for Social Service Agencies" with Rahul Aggarwal and Luc Grimond, MDs and Partners of BCG, to share the insights we gained through this process with the sector.

Scan the QR codes to view the LinkedIn article and accompanying deck.

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AWWA Inclusion Experts Series (AIES)

Our second AIES webinar of 2021, **Playing, creating, learning together: Arts-based pathways towards inclusion** will be happening online via Zoom!

Date: 19 June 2021 (Saturday)
Time: 10am to 12.30pm
Scan the QR code or click [here](#) to sign up!

Key Speaker: Dr. Amanda Niland

Session Overview:

- Explore ways to use the creative arts for working toward inclusion
- Hands-on arts exploration to reflect on the various challenges and inclusive opportunities that arise in the day-to-day life of a busy early childhood setting.

Feature Story - Zikri, AWWA School Alumni

Zikri was nominated by school leaders and was awarded with the Lee Kuan Yew Exemplary Student award in 2017 in recognition of his perseverance in learning and responsibility to tasks in school and at home. He excelled in competitive sports for CCA and has performed in a choir for a public performance.

Zikri is also a keen learner who consistently seeks to improve his quality of work. His positive attitude secured him a part-time employment with Swensen's upon graduating in 2018. His determination and perseverance to constantly improve himself have led him to sustain his current employment.

AWWA School's curriculum aims to maximise the potential for independence and improve the quality of life of students with additional needs. Introducing Zikri, AWWA School alumni, and this is his story.

Thank you, Zikri, for being an inspiration to us all, and proving to us that with determination, nothing is impossible!

Donors and Volunteers

Groundbreaking ceremony for AWWA Community Garden renovations took place on the 24th of March with Mr Yip Hon Weng, Member of Parliament for Yio Chu Kang SMC. This garden will allow seniors to hone their green fingers and provide a communal environment to interact with fellow residents of Ang Mo Kio.

Volunteers from HP Singapore decorated the façade of AWWA Early Intervention Centre @ Lor Napiri with flora and fauna to enliven the atmosphere for our students. They also installed an interactive play area to allow the children to be engaged! Thank you, HP, for this lovely piece of art!

SGX volunteers accompanied two groups of students from AWWA Special Student Care Centre to complete a 2km walk along the Singapore River. This event is jointly organised by Community Chest and SGX. Thank you SGX for your continuous support to AWWA!

A BIG thank you to all our supportive volunteers and donors for believing in our mission to empower our clients!

Voices of AWWA - Mother's Day Special

On the 9th of May, our staff at AWWA took some time to reflect on our mother's unconditional love for us. Through thick and thin, if there is one person whom we can lean on as a pillar of support, that person would be our mothers.

We spoke to three of our clients and caregivers, and here are their stories.

[Click here](#) or scan the QR code to read three heartwarming stories of our clients and caregivers.