



**Sarawak Children's
Cancer Society**

Pertubuhan Kanser Kanak-Kanak Negeri Sarawak

SARAWAK CHILDREN'S CANCER SOCIETY

Annual Activities Report 2025



WHO WE ARE

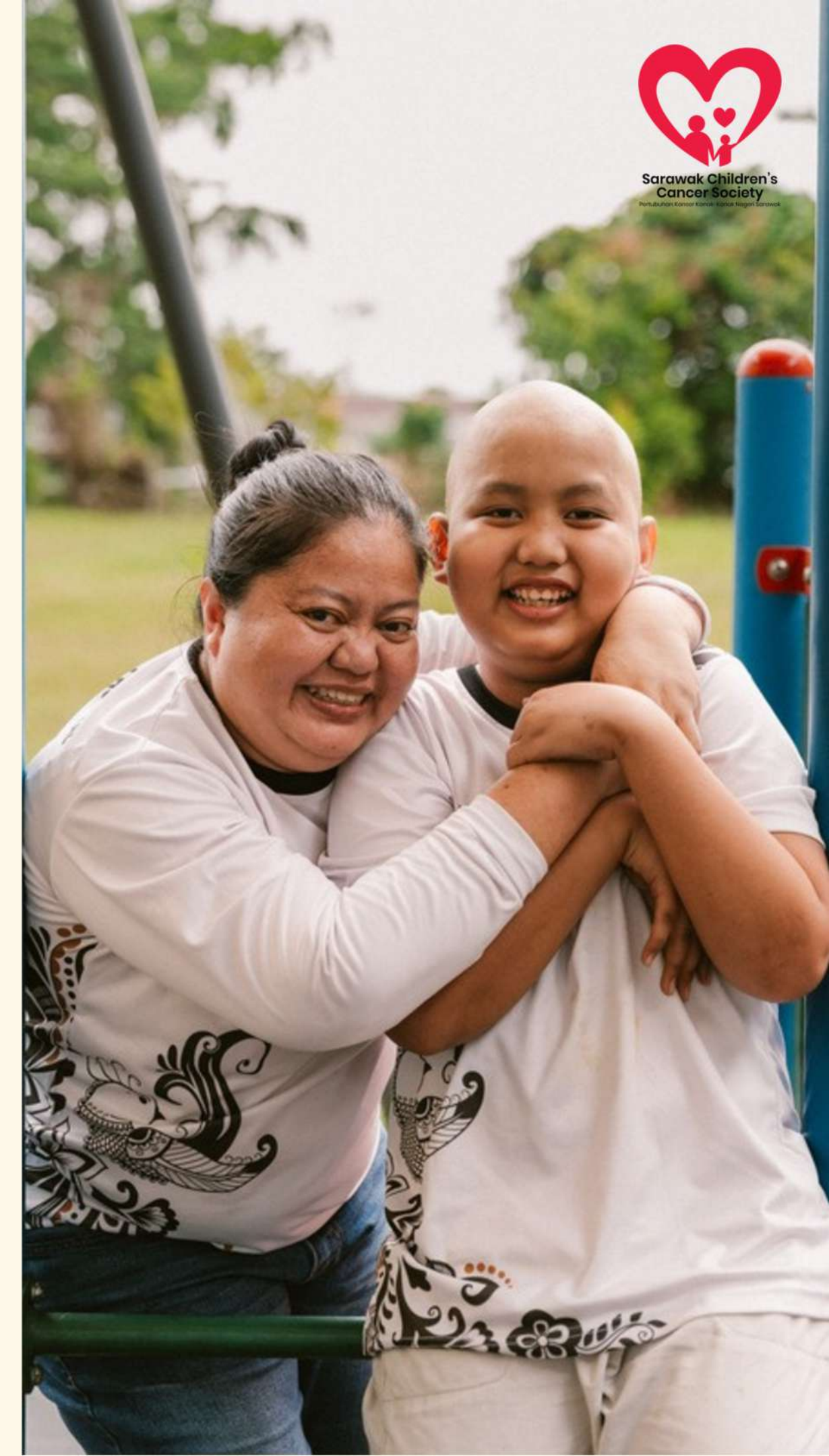
In 1999, a group of parents of children with cancer came together to discover ways they could support one another. On 26 November 2001, Sarawak Children's Cancer Society (SCCS), a non-profit organisation established to meet the needs of families of patients diagnosed with paediatric cancer, was formally registered.

With a committee made up of 70% parents and 30% volunteers, we understand the need of these families that we serve during this uncertain time because we have been there ourselves. We are families supporting other families, with the hopes of providing some relief, care and support during this challenging period.

SCCS recognises the complexity of the paediatric cancer experience, and we understand that childhood illness affects every aspect of the lives of patients, siblings, and caregivers. As such, SCCS adopts a holistic approach in supporting families.

With the support of patients and families, SCCS also grows public awareness of childhood cancer through fundraisers and educational campaigns.

Since 2001, SCCS has supported more than 1,700 families across Sarawak. Together with the support of the community, the society looks forward to expanding and growing its services to provide better care and relief for the families along this journey.





VISION

Every Malaysian child with cancer will have access to the best available treatment and support

MISSION

To provide care and support for Malaysian Children and their families who are suffering from Childhood Cancer in Sarawak.



AREAS OF IMPACT



SUPPORT

From counselling sessions, palliative care home visits, wish granting, bereavement to post bereavement support;

SCCS comes alongside families and becomes that additional hand of support to walk alongside with them through this difficult journey.



ACCOMMODATION

SCCS has 2 halfway homes that are fully equipped with amenities that provide free lodging, food and transportation for outstation patients receiving treatment in Sarawak General Hospital, Kuching and Miri General Hospital.

Every year, the Kuching halfway home accommodates more than 40 children and caregivers.



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

To assist with the cost of caring for a child with cancer, SCCS provides monetary assistance to patients and families demonstrating financial need.

Financial aid includes monthly financial subsidies, travel reimbursement, expenses, monetary or items donations, bereavement assistance and need-based provision of medical subsidies.



AREAS OF IMPACT



MEDICAL SUPPORT

SCCS sponsors medical consumables and donates medical equipment not provided in Sarawak's government hospitals. This includes certain medications, blood filters, central venous lines and prosthetic devices.

The Society also helps to subsidise or pay for the cost of need-based medical subsidies for important medical treatments to children who otherwise would not be able to afford them.



EDUCATION

SCCS holds talks and organises campaigns to educate the public about cancer and the stigmas often attached to it.

To improve the services provided to the patients, SCCS sponsors various medical staff and staff team of SCCS to attend relevant workshops and conferences.

In 2018, in collaboration with Malaysia Stem Cell Registry, SCCS started a stem-cell donor drive with the hopes of increasing the chances of cancer patients to find a match.



RECREATION

SCCS organises monthly birthdays, festivities celebrations, annual family days and youth camps for childhood cancer survivors, to entertain and engage the children.

These activities provide a space for them to rest and rejuvenate their mind.



2025 SERVICE OVERVIEW

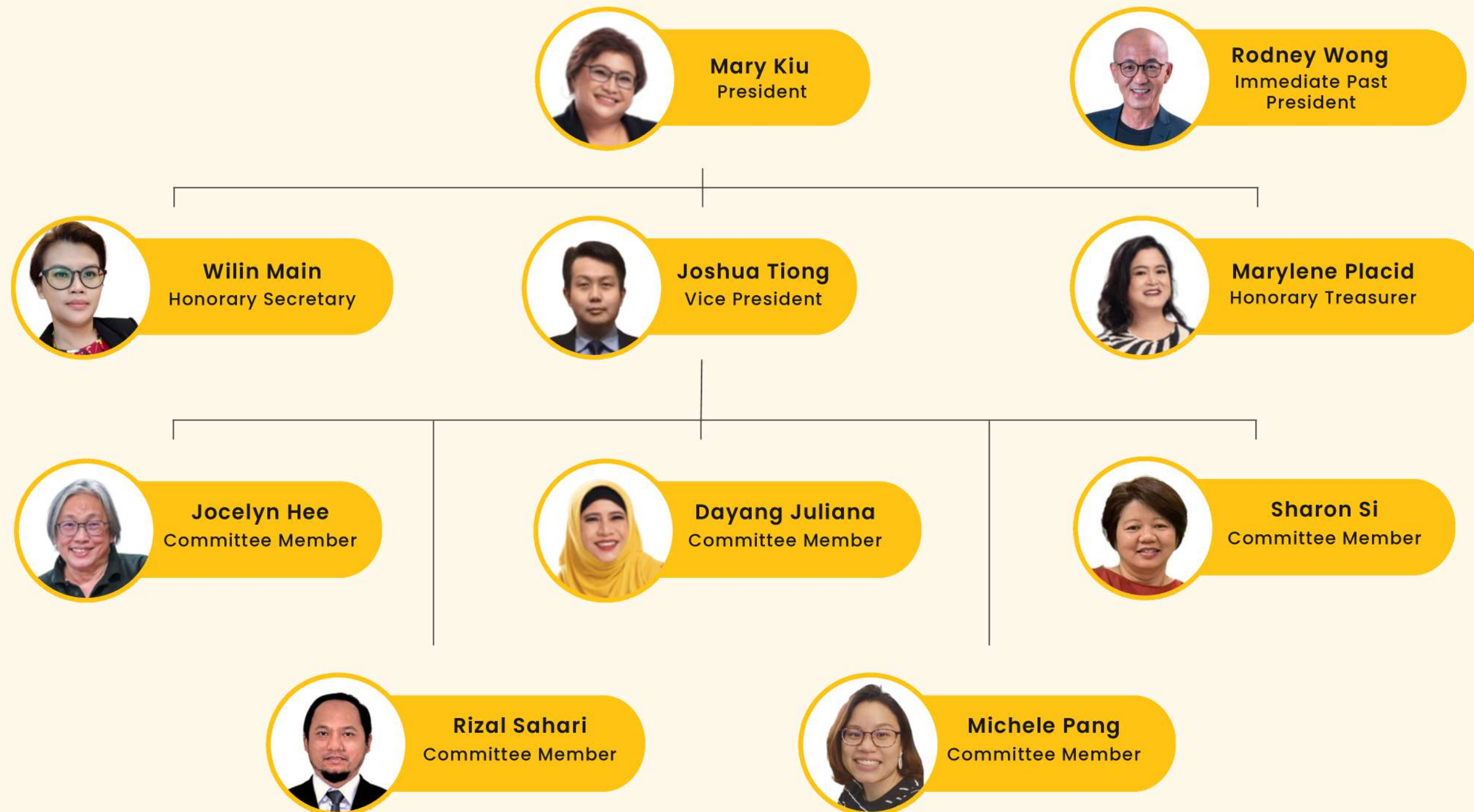


- Siblings engagement activity
- Light it up Gold awareness event
- More than RM 2 million spent on medical aid supporting 59 children for the cost of specialized medical drugs, scans, lab test & procedures
- Palliative Home Care in collaboration with Dr Nickson's team
- First Post bereavement family support group activity in Sibul
- New SCCS Van
- Patient Education services (back to school program booklet, medical fact sheets)



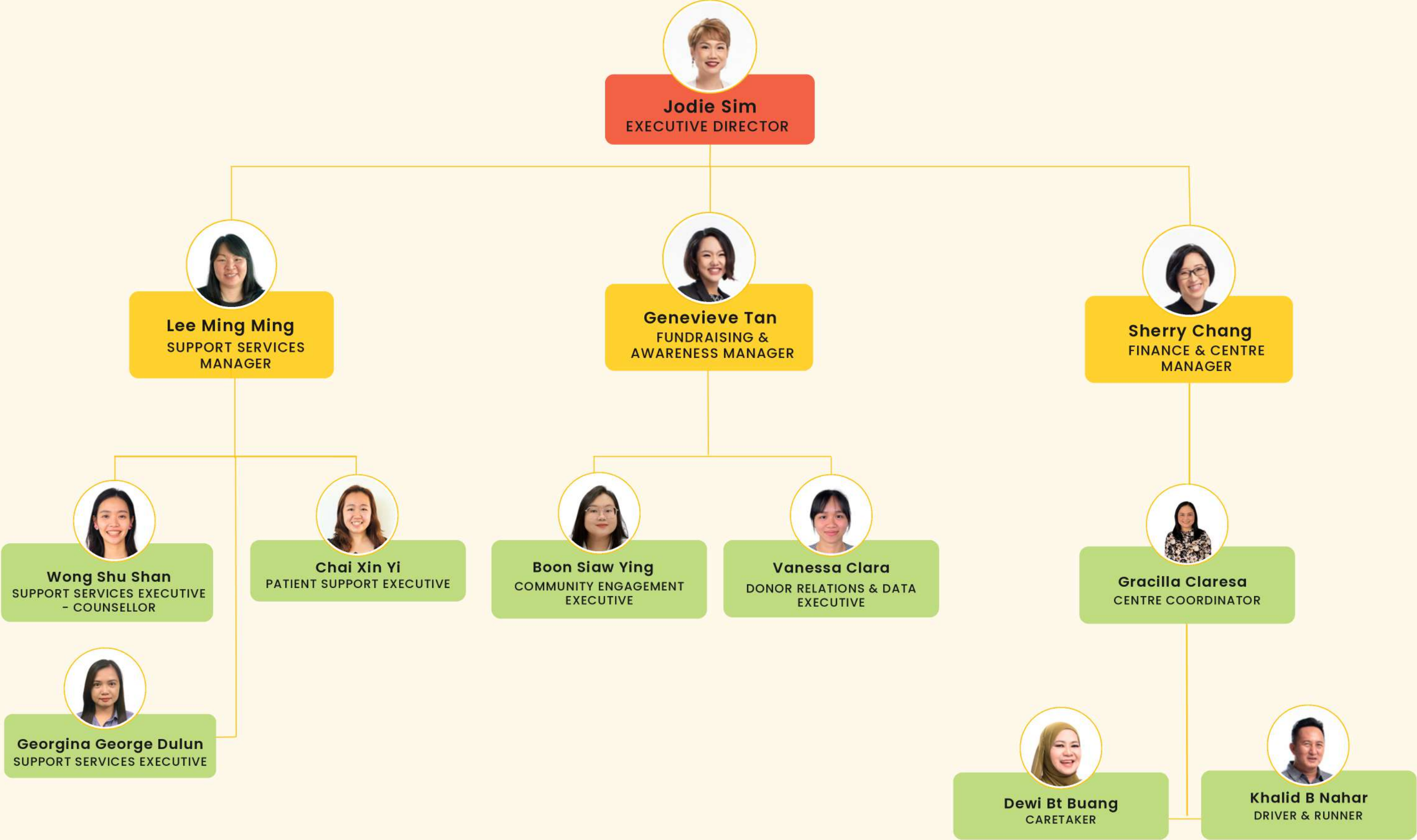
MEET OUR TEAM

VOLUNTARY COMMITTEE MEMBERS (2024 - 2025)



MEET OUR TEAM

STAFF



MEMBERSHIP

	2025	2024
LIFE MEMBERS	562	544
ORDINARY MEMBERS	195	151
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS	1026	1024
TOTAL	1,783	1,719

	2025	2024
SOUTHERN	952	923
NORTHERN	377	369
CENTRAL	395	370
OTHERS	59	57



CASELOADS

	2025	2024
NEW ADMISSIONS TO WARD 2A	59	59
RELAPSE	12	1
PALLIATIVE CASE	10	12
BEREAVED CASE	21	24



SUPPORT SERVICES

	2025	2024
CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUPS	16	15
GROUP COUNSELLING SESSIONS	18	8
INDIVIDUAL COUNSELLING SESSIONS	39	35
CAREGIVER CARING SESSIONS	433	496
NO. OF CAREGIVER SUPPORTED	168	178
PATIENTS CARING SESSIONS	508	268
NO. OF PATIENTS/YOUTHS SUPPORTED	182	56
TOKEN OF LOVE DISTRIBUTED	58	57
CAREPACK DISTRIBUTED	57	55



PALLIATIVE & BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT



77

palliative care
caring sessions
carried out

31

Palliative and post
bereavement
visits

106

post bereavement
caring sessions
carried out

11

families received
monthly comfort
aid

21

families supported
with bereavement
cost

21

families received
post bereavement
emotional support

MEMORIAL DAY



14 families

9 medical staff

4 committee members

1 Invited Speaker (Pn. Lini)



WISHING STAR PROJECTS



7 wishes were
fulfilled in 2025



MEDICAL SUPPORT



	2025	2024
SPECIALISED MEDICAL AID	RM 1,763,128	RM 699,726
NO. PATIENTS BENEFITTED	59	48
MEDICAL CONSUMABLES	RM280,710	RM 63,060
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT DONATION	--	RM125,518
WARD UPGRADING	--	RM48,830
TOTAL	RM 2,043,838	RM 937,134

Medical aid includes subsidies/sponsorship for medical procedures, bone marrow transplant & related costs, drugs, consumables, lab tests, scans, prosthesis, walking and hearing aids.



SIGNIFICANT MEDICAL AID PROVIDED BY SCCCS IN 2025



MEDICAL AID – DEO >RM590K



Deo, a six-year-old boy from Serian was diagnosed with Stage 4 high-risk Neuroblastoma, in December 2024.

Deo was one of three children supported by SCCS to receive immunotherapy in 2025, which aimed to significantly improve his treatment outcomes.

SCCS sponsored RM590,000 for his immunotherapy treatment, enabling Deo to complete this critical phase of therapy and reduce the risk of relapse.

MEDICAL AID – ARIYANA >RM488K



In September 2024, Ariyana, a 4-year-old girl from Miri, was diagnosed with stage 4 high-risk Neuroblastoma.

Like Deo, she underwent 8 cycles of chemotherapy, surgery to remove a tumour, a bone marrow transplant in Kuala Lumpur and 14 sessions of radiotherapy.

For the final part of the treatment, SCCS sponsored RM472,000 for Ariyana's immunotherapy, and RM16,000 in hospital bills while she was in KL. Ariyana is now off active treatment and has been home with her family since early December 2025.

LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR TREATMENT & FOLLOW UPS



	2025	2024
TRANSPORTATION SUBSIDY	RM68,569	RM65,193
NO. FAMILIES BENEFITTED	57	51
NO OF TRIPS	657	500

Logistic support include flights to hospitals for procedures, and trips from rural areas to hospital for follow ups and treatments



FINANCIAL & ITEM AID



	2025	2024
FINANCIAL AID	RM85,900	RM108,900
NO. OF FAMILIES SUPPORTED	47	49
NO. PKT DIAPERS DISTRIBUTED	459	420
NO. OF PATIENTS BENEFITTED	56	43
MILK POWDER DISTRIBUTION	194	236
NO. OF PATIENTS BENEFITTED	43	39

Financial support includes weekly hospital allowances during treatment in Kuala Lumpur and monthly financial aid to assist caregivers while their child is undergoing active treatment.



SCCS HALFWAY HOME

No residents in Miri Halfway home in 2024 & 2025



	2025	2024
SOUTHERN R. FAMILIES	4	4
CENTRAL R. FAMILIES	15	16
NORTHERN R. FAMILIES	21	19
NO. OF NIGHT STAY	2,671	3,061
HALFWAY HOME EXPENSES	RM 139,270	RM 147,562
NO. OF FAMILIES BENEFITTED	40	39
LOGISTIC EXPENSES	RM 30,886	RM 36,641
PATIENT QUARANTINE OUTSIDE SCCS	16	-
QUARANTINE NO. OF NIGHT STAY	349	-
QUARANTINE COST	RM 26,765	-

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES



	2025	2024
BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED	98	106
RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES	129	142
NO. OF CAREGIVERS	129	46
NO. OF PATIENTS & CHILDREN	207	143



CELEBRATIONS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES



Festivities Celebration

The celebration of CNY at the SCCS Halfway Home is a special time where laughter, warmth, and the spirit of togetherness fill the home, creating cherished moments for our families.



Clinic Day Activities

Clinic days are full of heart-warming moments when meeting the children and their parents. Seeing them doing well and still staying connected with one another makes every single thing we do for them truly worthwhile.



Recreational Activities

The monthly family outing means a lot to our Halfway Home families, especially to the children, as they deserve to experience a happy childhood even during their cancer treatment journey.

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT



CCI Asia Conference
- Riyadh



SCCS Staff Workstyle
assessment training



CCI Global Conference
- Amsterdam



16th Asia Pacific Hospice
Palliative Care Conference
- medical team

	2025	2024
NO. OF TRAINING	16	18
SCCS STAFF	12	12
MEDICAL STAFF	10	21
COMMITTEE MEMBERS	9	4
SCCS MEMBERS	0	1
SCCS YOUTHS	1	1
TRAINING COST	RM 80,465	RM 62,536

PATIENT/CAREGIVER EDUCATION



	2025	2024
NO. OF SESSIONS	54	43
NO. OF PATIENTS	22	24
NO. OF CAREGIVERS	22	24
NEW MATERIALS	1	3
UPDATED MATERIALS	0	2

PUBLIC AWARENESS & EDUCATION



GoBald 2025 raises over RM450,000 in support of

KUCHING: This year's 17th edition of GoBald, Sarawak's largest head-shaving fundraiser, has raised more than RM450,000 from over 1,500 donors across Malaysia.

As of this month, over 180 individuals have registered for the campaign, with at least 164 pledging to shave their heads, including participants from various states and federal territories.

Since its launch in 2009, GoBald has raised over RM11 million with the support of more than 11,000 participants nationwide.

Organised annually by the Sarawak Children's Cancer Society (SCCS), this year's campaign coincided with Cancer Survivors Month.

In Kuching alone, over RM925,000 was raised, with 95 participants shaving their heads at AEON Mall Kuching Central or at local salon partners.

SCCS president Mary Klu highlighted that nearly RM500,000 was spent this year on medical treatment for just one child, underscoring the growing needs of families supported by the organisation.

"Whether you're shaving your head, donating, volunteering, or simply showing up to support - you're making a difference."

"It is through initiatives like GoBald that have enabled SCCS to support over 1,700 families since our establishment in 2007," she said.

"It's a bold statement of love, solidarity, and support for children who are going through cancer treatment - many of whom lose their hair as a result. By going bald, we show them they are not alone, and we stand with them in their fight."

Among the participants for the "first shave" was 16-year-old Daniel Kueh, who was diagnosed with T-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia (T-ALL) in 2023 at just 14.

Kueh took part in the first shave alongside five family members - his parents, brother, aunt, and grand-aunt.

Last year, SCCS supported Kueh's treatment costs, including over RM120,000 for a stem cell transplant and lab tests at both Sarawak General Hospital and Ampang Hospital.

His case contributed to SCCS' total medical aid expenses of over RM762,000 for the year.

Kueh's family has been passionate advocates for SCCS ever since, actively participating in awareness and fundraising efforts.

"When I had cancer, SCCS helped sponsor part of my treatment that supported me. Now, I want to help other children with cancer so they can have a better future," Kueh shared.

Three members of the GoBald batch of 16 shaved their heads for his family.

As the 17th fundraising all-donation event of SCCS, GoBald 2025 has raised over RM450,000 for medical aid services p



A group photo taken during GoBald 2025 at AEON Mall Kuching Central.

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(民都鲁26日讯) “癌症不只是一个医学名词，它是一段充满曲折、恐惧与胜利的旅程。气球迷宫象征了孩子们的抗癌路程，也传递坚毅与希望。”

砂儿童癌症协会秘书威廉麦恩今早在民都鲁新欣购物广场“阿吉战胜癌症”气球迷宫推介礼上致词时表示，这项活动正值“儿童癌症关怀月”，旨在提高公众对儿童癌症的认知，并提醒大众及早察觉症状的重要性。

2025 2024

PUBLIC TALKS	9	6
REACH FROM TALKS	308	551
PRESS COVERAGE	163	170
NEWSLETTERS	12	12
ROADSHOWS	11	7



AQIL BEATS CANCER BALLOON MAZE – BINTULU



ATTENDEES

9,935

**SPONSORSHIP AND
DONATION**

RM79,745



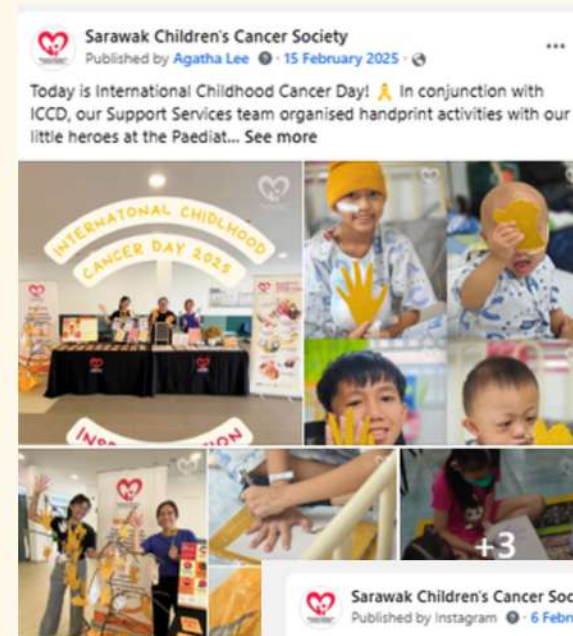
INTERNATIONAL CHILDHOOD CANCER DAY (ICCD)



Roadshow
@ SGH



Activities
@ Ward 2A



Social Media
6.2k reach

News coverage
2 Publications



SCCS YOUTH ACTIVITIES



Confidently Me

SCCS Youth Camp 2025 aims to help our youth face their fears, overcome challenges, express themselves with confidence, and make positive decisions by believing in their strengths.



Resume Workshop

SCCS Youth gathered at our Halfway Home to learn about resume writing, explore key job-search keywords, and gain personal insights through a simple personality test called the Holland Code (RIASEC).



Power of We

We conducted a Survivorship Workshop with our SCCS Sibu Youth, emphasizing the importance of the energy we carry within ourselves, which can help us stay motivated, overcome challenges, and make positive choices in our daily lives.



CSR PROJECTS



	2025	2024
NO. OF PROJECTS	68	75
FUNDS RAISED FROM CSR & CORPORATE DONATIONS	RM742,697	RM 729,886





2024 GoBald

HELP KIDS FIGHT CANCER

	2025	2024
HEADS SHAVED	226	294
FUNDS RAISED	RM680,490	RM781,556
SATELLITE SHAVES	4	3



HEART OF GOLD

Monthly Donation Program

NEW SIGN UPS
DONATION

2025

2024

816

513

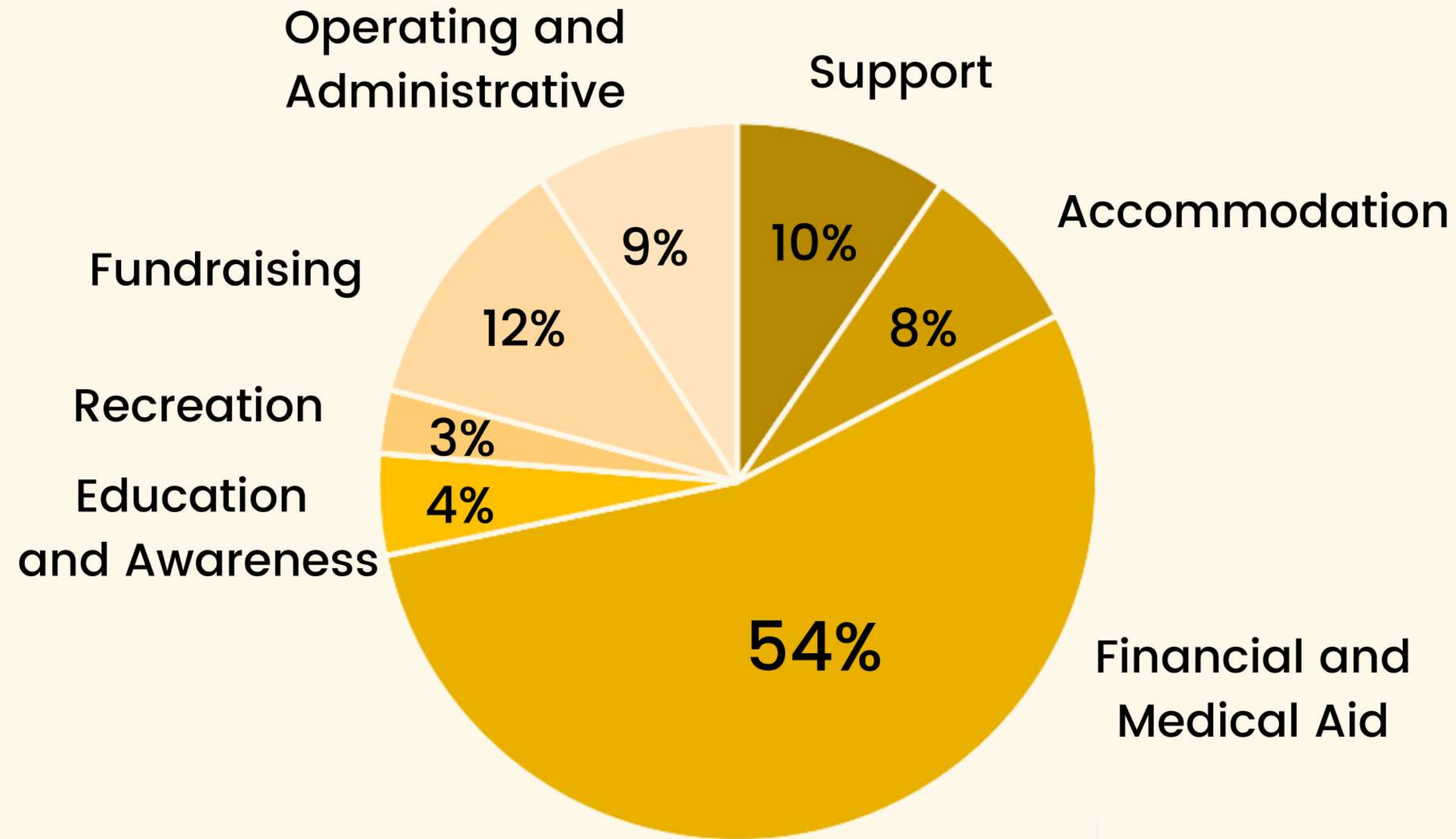
983,986

1,125,432



TOTAL EXPENDITURE

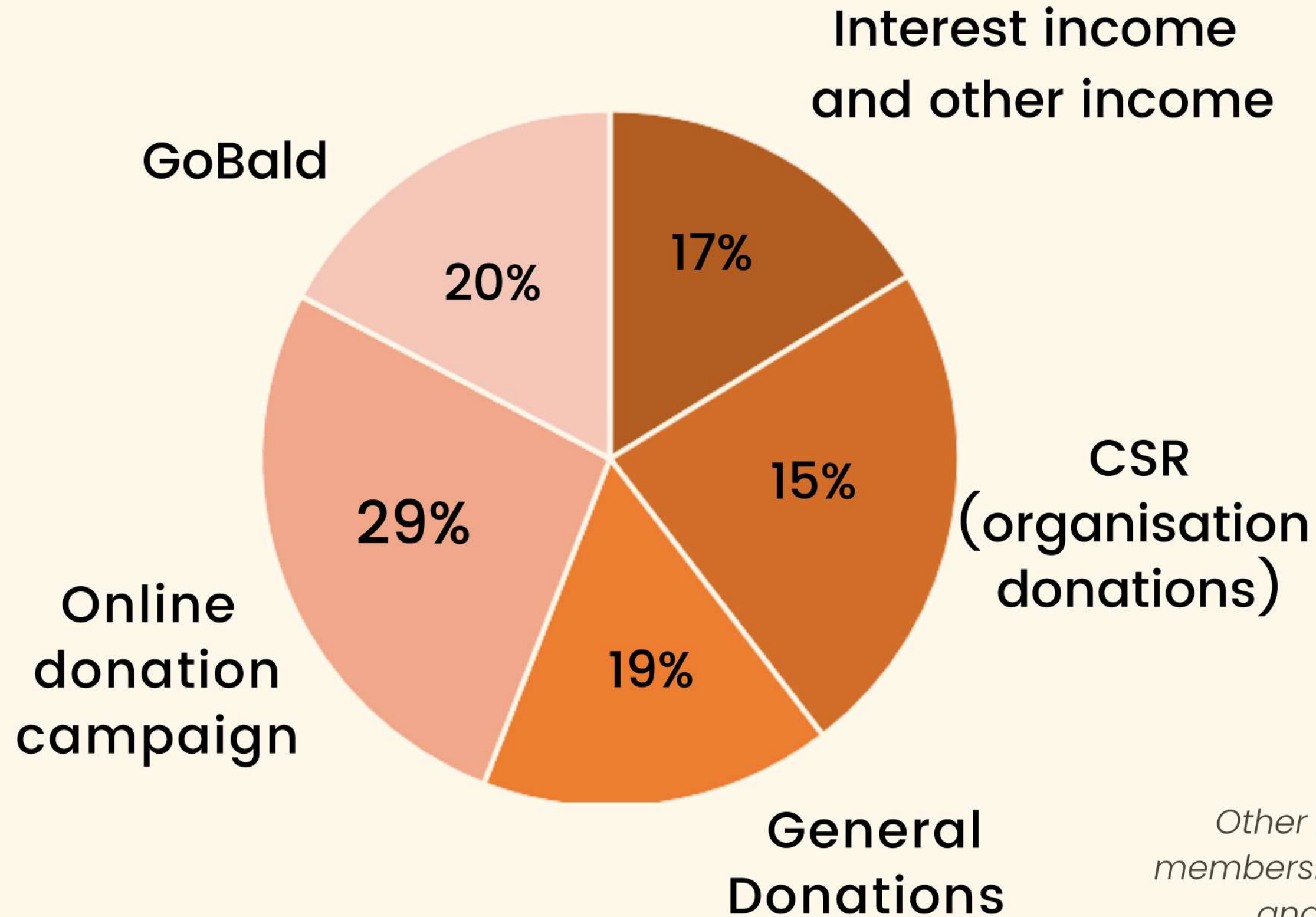
RM4.048 MILLION IN 2025



(excludes expenses covered by sponsorships and donations in kind)

TOTAL INCOME

RM3.938 MILLION IN 2025





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