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\$500 worth of CDC Vouchers 2025 (May) for all Singaporean households to support daily expenses

1. The Community Development Council (CDC) Vouchers Scheme 2025 (May) was officially launched on 13 May 2025 at Nee Soon South Community Club. The event was graced by Guest-of-Honour, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance, Mr Lawrence Wong. Also in attendance were Ms Low Yen Ling, Senior Minister of State for Trade and Industry & Culture, Community and Youth, Chairman of the Mayors' Committee, and Mayor of South West District; Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng, Mayor of Central Singapore District; Mr Desmond Choo, Mayor of North East District; Mr Alex Yam, Mayor of North West District; and Mr Fahmi Aliman, Mayor of South East District.

Continued Support for Singaporean Households and Heartland Merchants

- 2. As announced in Budget 2025, all Singaporean households will receive an additional \$800 in CDC Vouchers to help with daily expenses. The vouchers are distributed in two tranches \$500 in May 2025 and \$300 in January 2026. For the May 2025 tranche, as in previous tranches, \$250 is allocated to spend at participating hawkers and heartland merchants, and \$250 to spend at participating supermarkets.
- 3. This seventh tranche of the nationwide digital CDC Vouchers Scheme continues to support Singaporean households and participating hawkers and heartland merchants. By encouraging Singaporeans to spend within their communities, this scheme provides a boost to the vibrancy of heartland businesses.
- 4. The five CDCs actively assist hawkers and merchants in onboarding to the scheme, ensuring they can seamlessly accept CDC Voucher transactions and benefit fully from the scheme. Please see the <u>Annex</u> for quotes from the five mayors. With a wide network of participating businesses, the scheme ensures that Singaporeans can conveniently access and spend their CDC Vouchers on essential goods and services. Residents can easily locate nearby heartland















merchants, hawkers and supermarkets by visiting <u>go.gov.sg/cdcvouchers</u>. Participating hawkers and heartland merchants can also be identified by the teal CDC Vouchers decal, while participating supermarkets can be identified by the yellow CDC Vouchers decal.

Seamless Process for Claiming and Spending CDC Vouchers

- 5. From 13 May 2025, Singaporean households can visit <u>go.gov.sg/cdcv</u> and log in with their Singpass to claim the digital vouchers. In line with sustainability efforts and positive feedback from residents, notification letters will not be issued for this seventh tranche of the CDC Vouchers Scheme. Information on the claiming process will still be available through digital platforms, social media, newspaper advertisements and community posters to guide residents, reflecting both the scheme's familiarity among Singaporean households and our commitment to reducing paper waste.
- 6. Once claimed, an SMS from "gov.sg" will be sent to the registered mobile number, containing a unique voucher link. This link can be easily shared among household members, allowing everyone to use the vouchers conveniently. Do note that the SMS links for the CDC Vouchers 2025 (May) is different from the link for the CDC Vouchers 2025 (January). Both the January and May 2025 vouchers are valid until 31 December 2025.

Ensuring Continued Support for the Digitally Less-Savvy

- 7. The May 2025 tranche of digital CDC Vouchers remains a hassle-free way for residents to claim and use their vouchers. For those who may face difficulties with the digital process, assistance will be readily available at Community Centres/Clubs (CCs) and SG Digital Community Hubs. To ensure inclusivity, priority queues will be in place at CCs for seniors and persons with disabilities. Additional support will also be provided for residents without smartphones or those who need help setting up Singpass accounts or resetting passwords. The CDCs appreciate the public's patience and understanding during peak periods for voucher claims.
- 8. To enhance support, the CDCs are working with youth and student volunteers to guide residents through the claiming process. In the first week of the launch, over 200 volunteers from institutions such as ITE College Central, Nanyang Polytechnic, and Hwa Chong Institution will be deployed at selected CCs, assisting residents alongside CDC Ambassadors. For the first time, staff volunteers from public agencies will also be joining in, lending additional support to this collective effort.















9. Additionally, SG Digital Office's (SDO) Digital Ambassadors and Silver Infocomm Wellness Ambassadors will be present at CCs from 13 May to 26 May 2025 to help residents claim their digital vouchers. SDO will conduct daily CDC Vouchers Learning Journeys at these locations to equip residents with hands-on knowledge on how to use their vouchers effectively. Beyond this period, Singaporeans can continue to pick up digital skills for daily living tasks, including redeeming CDC Vouchers, through SDO's Digital Ambassadors at 36 SG Digital Community Hubs and over 200 roving counters island wide.

Claim and Spend rates of CDC Vouchers Scheme 2025 (January)

- 10. About 97.3% of Singaporean households, including new households formed, have claimed the CDC Vouchers 2025 (January) as of 12 May 2025.
- 11. Of the claimed vouchers in CDC Vouchers 2025 (January), more than \$324 million (or 83.4% of the claimed vouchers in 2025) have been spent at participating hawkers, heartland merchants and supermarkets (as of 12 May 2025).
- 12. Overall, more than \$1.92 billion has been spent since the launch of the digital CDC Vouchers Scheme in December 2021. \$1.06 billion has been spent at participating hawkers, heartland merchants while more than \$857 million has been spent at participating supermarkets.
- 13. This demonstrates the impact of the CDC Vouchers Scheme in providing assistance to Singaporean households, as well as supporting the businesses of hawkers and heartland merchants.

Reminder to Stay Vigilant Against Scams

- 14. The People's Association (PA) and CDCs urge members of the public to exercise caution when claiming the CDC Vouchers. Claiming your CDC Vouchers does not require you to disclose your bank log-in details, transfer money, or install mobile applications from unofficial app stores. If you receive any suspicious messages related to gov.sg or CDC Vouchers, contact PA at 6225 5322. If you are unsure if something is a scam, you should call the 24/7 ScamShield Helpline at 1799.
- 15. For more details on the CDC Vouchers Scheme 2025 (May), visit https://vouchers.cdc.gov.sg/.

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ANNEX: Quotes from Mayors

Ms Low Yen Ling (Chinese: 刘燕玲女士)

Mayor of South West District, Chairman of Mayors' Committee

"The latest tranche of CDC vouchers affirms our spirit of unity to support and help one another as a community to overcome the odds. Through the CDC scheme, we have fostered an active and robust network of partners, merchants, hawkers and committed volunteers who work hand in hand to uplift Singaporean households and also support our local economy. In this SG60 milestone year, we are heartened by the spontaneous show of support by local coffee shops offering affordable 60 cent drinks and \$1.60 meals to help residents reduce daily expenses. Whether as an individual, business or organisation, we can each make a difference and together, as a community, strengthen our resilience and ability to weather the challenges ahead successfully."

Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng (Chinese: 潘丽萍女士) Mayor of Central Singapore District

"The CDC Vouchers Scheme is uniquely Singapore in design. It benefits all Singaporean households and uplifts heartland businesses. It is available digitally but dedicated assistance will be available at Community Centres and SG Digital Community Hubs to help those who are digitally less savvy. Priority will be given to seniors and persons with disabilities. Volunteers and Digital Ambassadors will be on hand to guide residents step by step through the claiming process.

Together, we ensure that every Singaporean, regardless of their digital proficiency, can benefit fully from the CDC Vouchers and continue to support our heartland businesses."

Mr Desmond Choo (Chinese: 朱倍庆先生) Mayor of North East District

"The CDC Vouchers Scheme reflects our whole-of-government effort to support Singaporean households with their daily expenses, while also uplifting our heartland merchants. From policy planning to ground implementation, agencies, community partners, and volunteers have come together to provide a seamless and inclusive experience for all residents. This is one of the ways we strengthen community bonds—by ensuring help reaches those who need it most, and by encouraging everyone to support local."















Mr Alex Yam (Chinese: 任梓銘先生) Mayor of North West District

"Over the years, the CDC Vouchers have provided Singaporeans with welcome relief for their daily expenses, and also served to unite the community. As Singapore celebrates 60 years of nation building, I encourage more merchants, heartland hawkers and supermarkets to consider SG60 promotions and initiatives through the CDC Vouchers, which will allow residents to stretch their dollar to better cope with the rising cost of living, while also supporting local businesses. Through the CDC Vouchers, Singaporeans have a platform to come together in this special year and beyond, strengthening our spirit of care and resilience."

Mr Mohd Fahmi Aliman (Chinese: 阀米先生) Mayor of South East District

"Budget 2025 ensures all Singaporeans share in our nation's progress. Through the CDC Vouchers Scheme, we're bringing this commitment directly to our communities—supporting families with their daily essentials while supporting our hawkers and heartland businesses. These vouchers recognize Singaporeans' contribution to our nations' growth.

Through collective efforts, let us continue to give back, look out for one another as we build a more caring, inclusive and united home for all."













About the Community Development Councils (CDCs)

Since 1997, the CDCs have been bridging communities by strengthening social infrastructure, building social resilience and social capital, and promoting a culture of giving back, through the following ways:

- (a) Aggregator of Needs and Resources
- (b) Builder of Capability / Capacity in Partners and Networks
- (c) Connector of Communities

There are five CDCs, namely, Central Singapore, North East, North West, South East and South West CDCs. Mayors of the Districts are Chairman of the respective CDCs. The Office of the Mayors comprises:

(a) Ms Low Yen Ling Chairman of Mayors' Committee &

Mayor of South West District

(b) Ms Denise Phua Lay Peng Mayor of Central Singapore District

(c) Mr Desmond Choo
(d) Mr Alex Yam
(e) Mr Mohd Fahmi Aliman
Mayor of North West District
Mayor of South East District

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