Introducing CARE Singapore

The Organisation

“It is far easier to build strong children than to repair broken men”

Since 1997, Children-At-Risk Empowerment Association (CARE Singapore) has adopted an **upstream preventive** approach in working with schools and helping youths succeed.

Specialists in helping challenging youths turn their lives around, CARE offers a comprehensive suite of life-skills instruction, motivational engagement, socio-emotional support and leadership development. CARE targets youths at risk of academic failure, socio-emotional maladjustment or delinquency.

All children can succeed. By being there for those who need a little more support, we help them **create a future with hope**.

In 2010, CARE was appointed a **Centre of Specialisation for Youth Empowerment** by NCSS. Besides national recognition of expertise and experience, CARE is tasked to help raise service quality and standards nation-wide, while developing the proficiency of practitioners who work with at-risk youths.

**Organisational Status**
- Not for profit, NGO (non-government organisation)
- Voluntary welfare organisation (VWO)
- Member of the National Council of Social Service (NCSS)
- Registered charity with Institution of Public Character (IPC) status (IRAS-authorised to issue tax-deductible receipts)
- Charity Registration No: 1509; UEN: T00SS0043E

**Uth Power! - The Programme**

**Uth Power!** is a comprehensive, holistic support and motivational lifeskills programme designed for students at the under-achieving end of the Singapore school system. (*Starkidz is the Primary school version*)

Established on a social-emotional learning framework, the key objective is to help students to be resilient and successful by **spurring** on the underachieving, **strengthening** the vulnerable and **steering** the wayward.

**Uth Power!** is a research-based, field-tested and proven programme that has changed countless lives since 1997. Studies show that such life-skills education, guidance and social emotional support can help develop the skills, mindsets and perspectives for **lasting, long-term and significant change**.

**Sustaining the Work**

Funded by government, schools and public donations from companies or individuals, Uth Power! is a critical yet cost-effective social investment.

Annually, we only need to fundraise **$1 million** to sustain our work with **over 1000** students.

All donations are gratefully accepted and appreciated. Donors will enjoy 250% tax-deduction for the amount contributed.

**THANK YOU** for helping us to transform lives and help youths to create a better future.

**Results Achieved**

**Evaluation Summary**

On rating scale of 1-5, where 5 is most positive

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**Program Outcomes: Number who report...**

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<td>Feeling more positive towards school/community.</td>
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<td>Improved relationship skills</td>
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1 According to MOE statistics, our focal group of students (Normal Acad/Tech students) generates 90% of the dropout rate in Singapore.
Notes from Students...

CARE helps build a great foundation for youths. CARE should continue for future generations. They have helped me so much, I am even thinking of being a CARE teacher.  

*M Nazri*

Thank you, I love this programme so much. It has helped me in many ways. I was a spoilt person and now I am new. I am very grateful for this programme – it is really interesting, gave me courage and life skills. I recommend this to every kid in Singapore.  

*Nurul N Bte M*

CARE Singapore has helped me a lot – they are my pillar of support, helps me to solve my problems! The CARE teachers are humorous and interesting. As they say on the logo, "Helping Youths Succeed" - it really works!  

*Koh Wan Ting*

CARE lessons are very useful- we learn values in a very fun way. It teaches us to build our character and prevent us from doing the wrong things. Thank you for supporting this program.  

*Faith Kueh*

The program help me to get along with my classmates, they teach me lifeskills and help me to understand it. They make me feel school is not so bad. All schools should have this program!  

*Zhen Lin*

Notes from Schools...

...we witnessed improvements in the students’ social and emotional learning, self- motivation and behaviour. As a result of the skills taught to them through CARE’s caring and nurturing programmes, the students’ grades have also improved.

THANK YOU for a wonderful job done! Our students really enjoyed themselves...the activities also allowed them to internalize the school values.

...CARE has been a strong partner in nurturing our students into men and women of character.

Notes from Parents...

My son has learned to be more open and sensitive towards others. He now enjoys school very much.  

Thank you for helping my child learn lessons that will help him for life!  

Thank you for your effort in helping my child to be a better person. Well done CARE. Keep up the good work!  

Thank you not only for the camp, but the weekly motivation and encouraging lessons. It’s always one of the lessons that G looks forward to!

CARE's Appeal

*It takes a village to raise a child...  
But just one child to raze a village.*

CARE Singapore needs your help to keep this work going.

Can we count on you?

“Your participation in CARE’s work is an investment that will reap handsome and long-term rewards by way of actualized potential and overall social stability. Your contribution is indispensable.”

*Mr S. R. Nathan, former President of Singapore, addressing CARE donors/sponsor*