

MUSLIM KIDNEY ACTION
ASSOCIATION

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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

The year 2015 was one of consolidation and progress. The number of beneficiaries registered with MKAC increased to 437. This figure does not take into account the family members of the patients who are also beneficiaries of MKAC. Our pool of volunteers also increased and in particular our Befrienders Scheme (our flagship programme) continued to gain momentum with more visits to the homes of kidney patients. The number of programmes and activities as highlighted in this Report also saw a marked increase and reflected the busy year that we had in 2015.

MKAC was able to effectively implement its Workplan for 2015. This was made possible by the tremendous support from our supporters and donors through their generous contributions. Donations to MKAC reached a new record. Our grateful thanks from the bottom of our hearts to all our donors.

MKAC embraces the philosophy that the highest service we can perform for others is to help them to stand on their own.

We at MKAC wholeheartedly commit to serving kidney patients in Singapore. All our programmes and activities are designed to provide compassionate care and support, encourage interaction and impart skills and awareness. Our approach is to work together with them, in the spirit of “gotong-royong” as they face their difficulties.

MKAC will continue to strive to be an organisation worthy of public support. To earn such support MKAC will continue to operate on an open and transparent basis adhering to a strict code of governance. We will always be mindful that we are custodians of public funds and accountable for every cent entrusted to us. We will continue to open our doors of assistance to persons of all races and

religions. We pledge to always work to the best of our abilities to fulfil our obligations to our beneficiaries.

We look forward to your kind and continuing support in 2016!

Ameerali Abdeali JP, PPA G), PBM
President, MKAC

INTRODUCTION

MKAC was established as a committee under the auspices of MUIS in 1990. Its charter was to raise awareness about kidney disease and encourage Muslims to pledge their organs for live saving transplants. On 27 April 2004, the Muslim Kidney Action Association (MKAC Association) was registered as an independent society with the Registry of Societies (ROS) and functioned as a non-profit voluntary welfare organisation for the welfare and wellbeing of kidney patients. It was duly registered as a Charity with the Commissioner of Charities under the Charities Act on 1 Mar 2006. MKAC is a full member of the National Council of Social Services (NCSS) and affiliated with the National Voluntary and Philanthropy Centre (NVPC).

The Governing Instruments of MKAC are our Constitution and our Code of Governance and Management. The MKAC Revised Constitution and Code of Practice approved at the Annual General Meeting held on Jun 2012 and 9 Sept 2012 has been endorsed by the Registrar of Societies.

MKAC'S external auditor is Suhaimi Salleh and Associates (SSA) Consulting Group Pte Ltd. MKAC bankers are DBS Bank and OCBC Bank.

In 2015 the Council REAFFIRMED the vision and mission of MKAC to be as follows:

Our Vision

To see kidney patients, realise their full potential and live happy and meaningful lives

Our Mission

To provide kidney patients every assistance with empathy, care and compassion

Reserve's Policy - MKAC reserves policy is that at least \$1m or 2 years of annual operating cost are kept as reserves. The funds were recently deposited to the May Bank fixed deposit account for higher returns which will enable MKAC to give direct financial assistance to beneficiaries. This enables MKAC to have adequate financial stability and the means for it to meet its charitable objectives for the foreseeable future. MKAC will review the amount of reserves that are required to ensure that they are adequate.

MKAC COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Council of MKAC comprises the following persons who were elected at the Annual General meeting on for a 2-year term on 20 May 2014.

Name	Position
Mr Ameer Ali Abdeali	President
Mr Philip Law	Vice President
Mr Mohd Ali Marican	Hon Secretary
Mr Muhd Nurhakim	Asst Hon Secretary
Mr Haresh Desai	Treasurer
Mr Jumat Jais	Asst Treasurer
Mr Abizer Rupawala	Internal Auditor
Mr Nizar Kader Caffoor	Member
Ms Sakina Jinia	Member

Mr Abdul Rahim Ghaus	Member
Dr Muhammad Iqbal	Member
Mr Abdul Rahman Bin Mohd Anipah	Member

COUNCIL MEETINGS AND AGM

In 2015, MKAC held Council Meetings on 14 May 2015 and 12 Aug 2015. In addition, MKAC held many operational meetings to ensure that all our programmes are properly planned and effectively implemented.

REPORT OF WORK DONE IN 2015

The Report of the work done by MKAC in 2015 is presented under the following headings viz;

- (1) Direct Financial Assistance
- (2) Care and Compassion
- (3) Skills Upgrading
- (4) Education, Awareness and Enrichment
- (5) Family and Community Bonding
- (6) Other Activities and Events

(1) DIRECT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Disbursement of Zakat

In 2015, MKAC disbursed a total of \$106, 990 as zakat to 25 beneficiaries. The sum includes bonus disbursements to the beneficiaries distributed during Hari Raya Aidilfitri and at the end of the year in addition to the monthly sum of \$270 disbursed to each beneficiary every month. All monies were donated by MUIS and credited into the respective bank accounts of the beneficiaries.

Financial Assistance Given Upon Appeal

In 2015, a total of \$5,958 was disbursed to the patients upon successful appeal for financial assistance. Details are summarised as below:

Name of Beneficiary	Case Summary	Assistance Provided
Mdm Suriani Binti Ismail	Unemployed and needed assistance for her doctor's fees	\$350
Mdm Hamidah Bte Daud	Both she and her spouse unemployed and caring for a school going grandson	\$200
Hjh Salamah Bte Mahmood	Suffered a stroke and has since been wheel chair. Spouse had to quit his job to care for her.	\$300
Mdm Mariam Bte Mohamad	Just lost her spouse to cancer and was depressed	\$300
Mdm Ramzain Binte Asghar Ali	A double amputee, she	\$300
Mr Sulaiman Bin Salleh	Diagnosed with renal failure a year ago and bladder cancer stage 4,	\$300
Mr Apandi Bin Ali	An amputee and now another of his limb has been infested with gangrene	\$300

Disbursement for Beneficiaries – On 9 Sep 2015, 15 MKAC Beneficiaries were awarded with a cash incentive of \$100 each for their participations in most of MKAC Programmes.

Home Visits during Ramadan - During Ramadan, MKAC volunteers made home visits to 5 kidney patients who were unable to leave their home due to paralysis and amputation and were wheelchair bound. The 5 recipients were Mr Apandi Bin Ali, Mr Sulaiman Bin Salleh, Mdm Ramzain Bibi Bte Asghar Ali, Mdm Mariam Bte Mohamed and Hjh Salamah Bte Mahmood. They each received a hamper of goodies worth \$50 and \$300 cash.

SimplyIslam Charity Basket - MKAC collaborated with SimplyIslam for the 8th consecutive year for the Ramadan Charity Basket program. SimplyIslam volunteers from the institution visited the homes of 25 beneficiaries to disburse cash and food rations.

Each beneficiary received \$80 in cash and a hamper of goodies worth \$100. The kidney patients were touched and full of appreciation for the kind gesture by Simply Islam through MKAC. The disbursements took place on 4 July 2015 (Sat).

Arab Association - On 27 June 2015, the Arab Association invited 27 MKAC beneficiaries for iftar at their premises in No.11 Lorong 37 Geylang, Singapore 387908. Each beneficiary was given a sum of \$100.

Fika Restaurant - Mr Noor Latiff, owner of Fika Cafe and Bistro invited 30 of MKAC beneficiaries to break fast at his restaurant at OneKM. It was a privilege for most of them as it was the first time that they had a chance to dine in the restaurant. The Iftar took place on 6 separate days between 5 July to 25 July 2015.

MKAC and Darul Aman Mosque Iftar – MKAC and Darul Aman Mosque collaborated in a join Iftar for MKAC beneficiaries on 7 July 2015. The Chairman of Darul Aman Mosque, Ustaz Mohd Ali Suri lead his team in preparation of the food and delivered the food for iftar for 40 beneficiaries.

The delegates from Darul Aman and the beneficiaries attending the iftar session were welcomed with much warmth by MKAC President, Mr Ameerali Abdeali, Council Members, staff and volunteers.

Each participant were given a packet of rice and porridge. Ustaz Mohd Suri approached and chatted with the beneficiaries. MKAC gave them some Hari Raya goodies after the iftar.

Bursary and Long Service Awards Presentation – On 30 May 2015, 10 children of kidney patients were awarded a bursaries totalling \$4600. The bursaries presentations were done in collaboration with Singapore Buddhist Lodge.

Jamiyah President, Prof Dr Hasbi Abu Bakar graced the event as a Guest of Honour. Details of the bursaries awarded are as follows: A total of 10 students ranging from Secondary 1 to Secondary 4 received their bursary. The bursary recipients and the amount that each received are as follows;

Name	Bursary Awarded
Farah Ayuni Binte Rashid	\$ 500.00
Nur Humairah Bte Mustaffa	\$ 500.00
Hirardynshah Bin Hamzah	\$ 500.00
Shah Jihan Bin Jiman	\$ 500.00
Nur Qamarena Bte Nordin	\$ 400.00
Nur Qurasha Bin Mohd Zamri	\$ 400.00
Samihah Thurayya	\$ 400.00
Nur Sabrina Binte Mohd Raffic	\$ 500.00
Athirah Fathiah	\$ 400.00
Nur Izzati Bte Mohd Rezzal	\$ 500.00
Total	\$ 4600.00

(2) CARE AND COMPASSION

Befriender Programme - The MKAC Befriender Programme is a home-visit programme that is aimed to provide a systematic and targeted approach to directly help the beneficiaries of MKAC who are kidney patients and members of their families.

In 2015 MKAC Befrienders visited a total of 45 homes. As a result of these visits MKAC was able to properly identify the urgent needs of the kidney patients.

MKAC will follow-up on these visits to monitor the situation of the kidney patients and their family members.

The Befrienders presented reports of how the kidney patients were coping with kidney failure and dialysis, the difficulties they encountered in their daily lives and pressing issues that need to be addressed immediately. The Befrienders also visited them when they are hospitalised to provide care and support. The Befrienders built comfort levels with the kidney patients and their family members and always giving encouragement during each visit.

Free Medical Consultations - MKAC arranged for 9 free medical consultations at MKAC for kidney patients in 2015. During these sessions, doctors from the Sunlove Home set up a medical station at MKAC premises to provide the consultations, medical examinations and dispense free medications. More than 50 kidney patients attended the medical consultations.

Motivational Talks

On 16 June 2015, a motivational talk was given by Ustaz Suhaimi Hassan from Masjid Darul Aman at a special Group Support Session for MKAC Beneficiaries. Due to requests from MKAC Beneficiaries, Ustaz Suhaimi agreed to conduct regular motivational and counseling sessions on a regular basis at MKAC HQ.

Dr. Radiah Salim, President of Club Heal organised a health talk for MKAC beneficiaries on 27 Nov 2015. Dr Radiah touched the topic on healthy eating habits and mental illness. She shared that mental illness is similar to any other health illnesses and needs proper medications. The beneficiaries asked questions related to various health issues.

Guidance and Counselling - In 2015, a total of 46 guidance and counselling classes were conducted by Mdm Rahmatunisa. An average of 5 persons attended each session.

Support Group Sessions - In 2015 a total of 4 support group sessions were held at MKAC. Each session was attended by an average of 30-40 persons. During these sessions beneficiaries and MKAC volunteers build rapport and enjoy a meal together. The beneficiaries are also presented with provisions such as rice, cooking oil and other basic necessities.

MKAC and Hezom International Projek Korban

Hezom International Pte Ltd has invited MKAC to participate in their Projek Korban 2015. This is the second time that Hezom is collaborating with MKAC. As part of their commitment to serve the community, they have distributed the Korban/Aqiqah meat to 100 needy MKAC beneficiaries on 2nd Oct 2015 at 4 distribution centres. The collection centres were at Zulfa Jurong, Zulfa Choa Chu Kang, Zulfa Pasir Ris and Zulfa Sembawang.

(3) SKILLS UPGRADING

In keeping with our vision to empower our beneficiaries to manage their own lives, MKAC continued to organise and conduct various skills upgrading courses for the benefit of kidney patients. A summary of such courses conducted in 2015 is presented as follows:

Mdm Fauziah Ali Baking Class -- Baking instructor, Mdm Fauziah Binte Ali started to teach baking at MKAC in 2014 and in 2015, she conducted a total of 13 baking workshops. During the sessions, MKAC Beneficiaries attending her class learned cake decorating, savories and local cuisines. Mdm Fauziah is all passionate and enthusiastic at being able to impart her skill throughout all her classes. An average of 10 beneficiaries attended her class each session.

Baking Class Conducted by MKAC Beneficiaries – Although suffering kidney failures, 2 beneficiaries came forward to conduct baking classes for fellow beneficiaries. Mdm Elie Yunara Rowden conducted 4 baking and cooking

classes while Mdm Sarimah Binte Soeip conducted one session. They were at first hesitant to show off their skills but proceeded after given the motivations from MKAC staff and volunteers. They conducted their classes with much confidence and managed to impart their specialities to their friends attending the sessions.

Baking Class Conducted by MKAC Volunteers – Four MKAC Volunteers conducted baking classes, a session each. Mdm Hayati Binte Tohid, Mdm Azean Irdawaty Binte Kassim, Mdm Yusnita Binte Mohamed and Mdm Malis Jais. They were all very glad at given the opportunity to teach MKAC Beneficiaries. An average of 15 beneficiaries attended the class each session.

Flower Arrangement Workshop - Mdm Hamidah Bte Abdul Karim, a renowned floral designer, conducted her first demonstration for MKAC beneficiaries on 29 April 2015. Suria channel reporters were also present during the demonstration. They interviewed Mdm Hamidah and participant, Mdm Zainon Bte Arshad.

Ten beneficiaries enrolled in the flower arrangement class. They were overwhelmed with excitement as at the end of the session, they managed to produce their very own floral arrangements. Due to the popularity of Mdm Hamidah's creativity at teaching, she introduced and conducted her classes in modules. In all, in 2015, Mdm Hamidah has conducted a total of 5 sessions. The classes were held once a month.

Sewing Class by Mdm Faridah Omar -- In 2015, Mdm Faridah Omar, a kidney patient, conducted a total of 3 sewing classes with an average of 6 persons participating in each class. Mdm Faridah has taught sewing for the past 5 years. Sadly, she succumbed to her illness in April 2015.

Sewing Class by Mdm Kamseh Binte Ismail -- In April 2015, MKAC engaged a new sewing instructor, Mdm Kamseh Bte Ismail. She is the spouse to

beneficiary, Mr Mohd Nasir Bin Naspar. Mdm Kamseh although with her busy schedules agreed to impart her knowledge as she thinks that it is beneficial to the beneficiaries. The participants were taught the basics of sewing, cutting and altering of fabrics. They were trained to sew items such as Malay traditional costumes and dresses. In all, Mdm Kamseh conducted 8 sewing classes.

EDUCATION, AWARENESS AND ENRICHMENT

MKAC and Club Heal Joint Radio Telepoll – MKAC and Club HEAL have collaborated in a joint telepoll. Instilling persons suffering from organ failure strong sense of self-belief, self-reliance and to fully manage their lives and assisting and empowering persons with mental illness to regain confidence in themselves and others towards community reintegration.

MKAC and Club HEAL embarked on a joint telepoll starting from 1 March to 31 March 2015 on Radio Warna 94.2fm. Beneficiaries from both sides were interviewed live on every Friday for the month of March. There were also capsule segments where four beneficiaries were interviewed briefly by telephone. This is the first time for the two organizations involved in the fundraising.

Mdm Suharti Ali, a deejay with Warna anchored the month long campaign alongside with other popular deejays from the radio station. During each interview, MKAC Council Member, Sakina Jinia and staff Ida and Sharifah accompanied the beneficiaries.

Thesis on Living with Dialysis by Mr Muhammad Ilham Bin Firdaus -- Mr Muhammad Ilham Bin Firdaus an NUS undergraduate has approached MKAC to participate in an exploratory study on how it is like for a person to have kidney disease and needing to undergo heamodialysis in Singapore.

In Feb 2015, 6 beneficiaries were selected for the study, welcomed the initiatives by the NUS Department of Social Service. Through this research, knowledge gained will benefit renal and dialysis patients and improve the current services or interventions to address the needs of dialysis patients. The respondents were each given \$100 each for participating in the interview. The 6 beneficiaries were

- 1) Mdm Rabiah Binte Kitang
- 2) Mr Ismail Bin Daud
- 3) Mr Mohd Rashidi Bin Ifi
- 4) Mdm Sa'amah Binte Kaming
- 5) Mdm Eshah Binte Majid
- 6) Mr Abdul Rahim Bin Abdul Hamid

Microsoft Social Services Seminar Series: Tools to Improve Donor and Volunteer Engagement

Microsoft Singapore in collaborations with Customer Capital Consulting, invited companies and organisation to their introduction of another of their product in an event on 27 Oct 2015 (Tues) at 2:00PM. MKAC Council Member, Ms Sakina Jinia and Staff Ida attended the event.

The product is tailored to improve the daily productivity and ease of the operational administrative duties.

Dr William Wan Kindness Talk and SG 50 Celebrations

MKAC celebrated SG50 on 9 Sep 2015. A motivational talk on kindness was also conducted by Dr William Wan, General Secretary of the Singapore Kindness Movement. At 2:30PM, MKAC President, Mr Ameerli Abdeali gave a welcome speech to the guests. A short speech was given by the Mr. William and as remembrance a small booklet on the 5 Amazing benefits of Being Kind was distributed to everyone present at the event.

Guests were also asked to share their views on kindness. The wife of the late Mr V. R. Nathan, former Chairman of the Hindu Endowments Board was remembered and honoured with a bouquet. Mr. Kumaran Bharathan, CEO of SINDA also shared his views on kindness.

Training On Family Violence by Yayasan Mendaki

Five MKAC representatives attended Yayasan Mendaki's training on family violence consisting of Patients Relations Manager, Sakina Jinia, Staff Ida and Sharifah and Volunteers, Nafisa Kapadia and Lal Naseem Akbar on 26 Sep 2015. Jointly organised by the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF), the training aims to identify family violence, available resources and how to refer a suspected case of family violence. There was a video sharing where invaluable knowledge and information was shown should the participants encounter similar situation of family violence

MKAC "Passion for Education Programme" - In 2015, the MKAC Passion-4-Education (P4E) Programme saw its 10th year in operation under the charge of Mr Muhd Nurhakim and Mdm Wiwiek Najihah. A total of 24 Saturdays were filled with rigorous academic tutoring as well as enrichment Programmes for the P4E students. Students not only studied under the guidance of the tutors but also took ownership in shaping the P4E programme they were in. They were taught events planning, budgeting and logistics management to allow them to plan for the enrichment activities they wanted for themselves over the School Holidays.

More volunteers came forward to provide tuition for the students, after hearing about MKAC and the P4E Programme through its outreach efforts. Student-Tutor ratio were maintained at 1 tutor is to 2 students, indicating focused and personalised attention given to the students.

On 12 and 13 June 2015, MKAC tutors engaged Evo Sports to organise a sports camp for the P4E students and has included participants of multi-racial students outside of MKAC for the June term school holiday.

18 students enrolled in the programme with 13 being from beneficiaries of MKAC. EVO sports run the programme with the help of 4 facilitators.

The sports camp was held from 12 to 13 June 2015. On the first evening, the facilitators together with the students had a sumptuous BBQ where they had a chance to bond.

Throughout the 2 day camp, the students gained vast knowledge by taking part in the games and quizzes segments. The sports challenge also strengthened their characters as many of them came from the medical stricken families.

Launch of Skills Upgrading and Lifelong Learning Campaign -- A Collaboration Effort Between MKAC and Mendaki Sense

Mendaki Sense and MKAC have embarked on a collaborative effort for a series of Skills Upgrading and Lifelong Learning activities. MKAC President, Mr Ameer Ali Abdeali and Mendaki Sense Acting Executive Director, Mr Heikal Yusope signed a Memorandum of Agreement during an event held on 5 Dec 2015.

To start off, a "hands-on" session on the "Culinary Arts", a cooking demonstration was conducted by Chef Syed Shah, former Head Chef from the Landmark Group. More than 25 beneficiaries of MKAC attended the event. Berita Suria covered the event and interviewed both Mr Ameer Ali and Mr Heikal. MKAC Beneficiary, Mdm Zainon Naspar was also interviewed.

(4) FAMILY AND COMMUNITY BONDING EVENTS

Volunteers Appreciation Day 2015 - On 1 April 2015 (Wed), MKAC held an Appreciation Dinner for MKAC Volunteers. Thirty guests comprising the volunteers, beneficiaries and staff attended this event. MKAC President, Mr AmeerAli Abdeali gave an opening speech to welcome the guests. He thanked everyone for having contributed relentlessly in all the various ways at ensuring that MKAC runs smoothly for the interests of the kidney patients and their family members.

The day was filled with excitements as most of the volunteers shared their views on volunteering and giving back to the communities.

Promoting Inter-Faith Interaction - MKAC held an inter-faith Iftar on 19 June 2015 which was led by MKAC President Mr. AmeerAli Abdeali. The annual event aims to instil an understanding of fasting from the perspective of various faiths. For example, the Muslims fast during the month of Ramadan from sunrise to sunset. Buddhists on the other hand fast from mid-day to the following morning.

Over a 70 guests from different faith were present during the event. Other guests include the new President of Inter Religious Council, Mr Mohd Noor Marican, the President of Indian Association, Mr. K. Kesavapany and community leaders.

This event highlights the importance of the role of religious leaders in creating awareness of other religion among their community to promote respect among the various religions. The situation now is worse compared to five years ago as violent acts towards various faiths such as anti-Christian, anti-Muslim, anti-Buddhist were more prevalent. These are caused by lack of contact with other religion and misguidance of fundamentalist. Preserving inter-religious ties by making an effort to understand other religions and learning about one's own religion helps to promote harmony therefore preventing conflicts from occurring.

Mother's Day Concert at Esplanade - The Esplanade once again invited MKAC representatives to attend their Mother's Day Concert on 10 May 2015.

The one-hour concert held from 5:30PM to 6:30PM was attended by Patients Relations Manager, Sakina Jinia, Council Member, Mr Haresh Desai, staff Sharifah together with 41 beneficiaries and their family members. They were enthralled and felt that the concert was very much entertaining.

Tan Chin Tuan Music-For-All – Staff, Idzalailah Binte Ahmad and nine other beneficiaries attended the Tan Chin Tuan Mother's Day Concert by the Singapore Symphonic Orchestra at the Botanic Garden on 10 May 2015(Sun).

Upon their arrival, MKAC Association were welcomed by the Tan Chin Tuan Foundation volunteers. The SSO performance was very entertaining. The concert lasted for approximately an hour. After the show, all female guests were presented with a souvenir fan, a stalk of carnation and rose and a cupcake each to commemorate mothers on Mother's Day.

Yayasan Mendaki FEC Family Day 2014

Mendaki invited MKAC's Family Excellence Circle beneficiaries to attend their Family Day at The ORTO, Yishun Bottle Tree Park on 6 June 2015. 36 MKAC Beneficiaries attended the family day. Each adult participant received a goodie bag after registration. They were seated in the pavillion. A photobooth was set up and a photo taking personnel walked around to capture the fun and exciting moments.

The highlight of the event was when MKAC Patient Relations Manager, Sakina Jinia and few other members from Mendaki's Family Excellence Circles went on stage to give speeches. They were awarded with a plaque in recognition for their support in Mendaki's FEC Programmes.

MKAC Picnic at Pasir Ris Park

For a long time, a group of MKAC beneficiaries planned to have a picnic with their family members, staff and volunteers. The beneficiaries all came to agree to have the picnic on 16 May 2015. The picnic was held at the Pasir Ris Park. The beneficiaries prepared everything for the picnic.

Twenty participants with their family members get together and had great fun bonding. The children were especially happy as they got to meet many new friends.

SG50 Kita National Day Observance organised by Yayasan Mendaki

Yayasan Mendaki together with over 30 various Malay Muslim Organisations and Non Government Organisations came together to celebrate Singapore's 50th National Day Observance on 8 Aug 2015.

MKAC together with many MMO supported the event by taking up a booth. The event was organised by the SG50Kita committee and the Malay Muslim community, and was supported by more than 30 self-help groups for various communities. About 1500 people attended the event held at ITE College Central.

The event was a great success with exciting arrays of activities, booth displays and performances.

MKAC 25th Anniversary Charity High Tea 2015

MKAC marked its 25th anniversary with a charity high tea. Close to 300 guests attended the event held at The Furama City Centre on 3 Oct 2015. The funds raised will enable MKAC to reach out to more kidney patients through its skills upgrading programmes, home and hospital visits and engaging qualified counsellors for counseling sessions for the beneficiaries.

The Charity High Tea was graced by Speaker of Parliament, Mdm Halimah Yacob who cited as saying that she was overwhelmed at how MKAC has moved forward in the last of 25 years of achievements and challenges with the vision to see kidney patients reach their full potential and live happy and meaningful lives. In her speech, Mdm Halimah congratulated and praised the MKAC's vision, Mdm Halimah said: "It is much better to invest efforts in empowering individuals to take charge of their own lives, rather than to provide a crutch for people to lean on." She remembered of how MKAC started in 1990 as a committee of 10 major Muslim organisations under the auspices of Majlis Ugama Islam Singapura. A short video was shown to mark MKAC's past and present events.

MKAC presented 3 Life Time Achievement Awards to recipients who have made significant contributions to the community, Mr George Peh, Mr Anwar Shaikh and Mr Ali Abbas have come a long way towards rendering tremendous efforts for the benefit of others.

The highlight of the event was when a kidney patient who was a former radio presenter, Mdm Jamilah Yusop was presented with MKAC Courage award. Mdm Jamilah recently launched a book titled 'Berat Mata Memandang' which she self-published in August 2014. A delicious chocolate cake was celebrated as a remembrance of fulfilment of 25 years of MKAC. MKAC are hugely proud of everything achieved over the last 25 years.

Long Service Award 2015

On 30 April 2015 (Wed), MKAC held Long Service Award for MKAC Council Members and volunteers held at the Red Velvet Ballroom at the Landmark Hotel. Sixteen recipients were awarded with a certificate from the National Council of Social Service. Sixty guests comprising council members, volunteers, beneficiaries, staff, Tuan Haji Wan Zohri, Mr Husaini Abdullah and Mazlan attended this event. The event started at 7:30PM.

MKAC President, Mr Ameer Ali Abdeali gave an opening speech to welcome the guests. He thanked everyone for having contributed relentlessly in all the various ways at ensuring that MKAC runs smoothly for the interests of the kidney patients and their family members. Volunteer Ms Lal Naseem Akbar was cited as saying that all the volunteers have volunteered whole heartedly for the benefits of the kidney patients.

The event was filled with excitement as most of the volunteers shared their views on volunteering and giving back to the communities.

(5) OTHER EVENTS

MKAC participated in events organised by its partner organisations. A summary of our attendance at these events is presented in the table below:

Date	Event	Participants
26 Jan 2015	Institute of Policy Studies Conference – Singapore Perspectives 2015	1
10 Feb 2015	Policy Forum: Special Edition on Mendaki Education Review (MER)	1
13 Feb 2015	Singapore Malay Chambers of Commerce and Industry (SMCCI) Gala Dinner	1
14 Feb 2015	Club Heal Book Launch	10
26 and 27 March 2015.	Singapore Community Tribute to Mr Lee Kuan Yew	25
28 March 2015	CLF Cheque Presentation & Best Practices Forum	2
25 April 2015	Singapore Buddhist Lodge Bursary Award Presentation	18
11 April 2015	Jamiyah Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) Birthday Celebrations 2015	35
10 May 2015	The Tan Chin Tuan Mother's Day Concert	10
10 May 2015	Esplanade Mother's Day Concert	41
16 May 2015	MKAC Picnic at Pasir Ris Park	22
6 June 2015	Yayasan Mendaki FEC Family Day 2014	36
27 June 2015	Iftar at the Arab Association	31
6 June 2015	Ain Society- Qudwah Hasanah Exemplary Father Award 2014	6
23 June 2015	SSA Consulting Group Zakat Disbursement	1
3 July 2015	Official Launch of Laloolalang Bazaar	5

5 July 2015	Singapore Jain Religious Society SG50 Carnival opening ceremony, Under One Roof – Celebrating The Singapore Spirit	25
5 July to 25 July 2015	Iftar at Fika Café and Bistro	30
6 Aug 2015	National Council of Social Service Members Conference and AGM2015	1
8 Aug 2015	SG50 Kita National Day Observance	12
17 Aug 2015	Charity Governance Conference	1
26 Sep 2015	Training On Family Violence By Yayasan Mendaki	5
10 Sep 2015	The Tan Chin Tuan More Than Words Showcase 2015	13
9 Oct 2015	Jamiyah Welcome Hi-Tea Reception for Malay/Muslim Present and Retired Member of Parliament	1
28 Dec 2015	Muslim Trust Fund Association (MTFA) Zakat Disbursement for MKAC Beneficiaries	41

MKAC BENEFICIARIES TAKING PART IN LALOOLALANG BAZAAR SPONSORED BY CELEBRITY, MS HUDA ALI

Local celebrity, Ms Huda Ali who anchored her own multi label on-line hub, Laloolalang has chosen MKAC to be its adopted beneficiary for a Celebrity Bazaar held at The Ballroom @ East Coast. The bazaar was held from 3 to 5 July 2015. Ms Huda Ali from Laloolalang and her team have kindly given a booth to the beneficiaries to market their products. The 3 day bazaar were well received as orders after the bazaar kept pouring in after the event.

MKAC MEDIA COVERAGE

Suria Channel Refleksi featuring MKAC Assistant Secretary, Mr Muhd Nurhakim

Suria Channel has in its second instalment of the programme Refleksi invited MKAC representative to be featured. MKAC Secretary, Mr Muhd Nurhakim was interviewed during the drama and talk-show.

Mr Nurhakim informed the viewers on how to deal with physical and financial burden when an elderly suffers from critical illnesses.

The programme was aired on 11 March 2015(Wed) at 9:30 pm.

PRODUCTION OF MKAC PUBLICATIONS

Edition number 7 of MKAC newsletter was produced in the month of May 2015 at a cost of \$1059.30 for 1000 pieces. Preferred vendor, Rightmail Lettershop Pte Ltd has been engaged to do the artwork and printing. MKAC also printed these paraphernalia;

- 1) Befriender Pamphlet at a cost of \$750.00 for 2000 copies
- 2) MKAC Newsletter Ramadan Edition at a cost of \$1059.30 for 1000 copies.
- 3) MKAC Folders at a cost of \$1444.30 for 500 copies.
- 4) MKAC Annual Report 2014 at \$1605 for 500 copies.
- 5) Reprinting of Booklets at \$2193.50 for 500 copies.

Circulations of the publications are still ongoing to partners, friends and patrons of MKAC.

STATUS OF KIDNEY PATIENTS AS AT END OF 2015

At the beginning of 2015, there were a total of 419 kidney patients registered in the records of MKAC. During the year, 14 patients passed away and 28 new kidney patients were registered. The total number of kidney patients registered with MKAC at end Dec is 437.

OUR SINCERE AND HEARTFELT THANKS

We at MKAC express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who have believed in us and come forward to help us. We value and cherish your support which will go a long way in making a difference to the lives of our beneficiaries.

MKAC is fortunate to have the support not only from the Muslim community but our Non-Muslim Singaporeans too. Would also like to place on record our sincere

gratitude to many non-Muslim organisations and individuals who came forward to help us. We at MKAC acknowledge with our heartfelt thanks the following individuals and organisations for their invaluable support:

1) The Woh Hup Trust

- 2) Lee Foundation Singapore
- 3) The Chen Su Lan Trust
- 4) HSBC Insurance Singapore
- 5) Tan Chin Tuan Foundation
- 6) Loyang Tua Pek Kong Temple
- 7) Golden Chance Goldsmith Pte Ltd
- 8) NTUC FairPrice Foundation Ltd
- 9) Majlis Ugama Islam Singapore (MUIS)
- 10) Tabung Amal Aidilfitri Trust (TAA)
- 11) Jamiyah Singapore
- 12) Singapore Buddhist Lodge Education Foundation
- 13) Singapore Indian Association
- 14) Yayasan Mendaki
- 15) D.S. Lee Foundation
- 16) BinjaiTree
- 17) SSA Consulting Group Pte Ltd
- 18) Mr Suhaimi Salleh
- 19) Pertapis
- 20) SunLove Abode for The Intellectually Infirmed
- 21) Siglap South CC
- 22) Simply Islam
- 23) Mrs Lulua Ameerali Abdeali
- 24) Mr Hatim Fidahusein Nakhoda
- 25) Mrs V.R. Nathan
- 26) Mr K. V. Veloo
- 27) Mr Chan Hock Lye

- 28) Mr Anwar Shaikh
- 29) Fika Cafe and Bistro
- 30) Mrs Arfat Selvam
- 31) Singapore Arab Association
- 32) President of Club Heal, Dr Radiah Salim
- 33) Ustaz Mukhtar Musha Balwan
- 34) Ustaz Suhaimi Hassan
- 35) Berita Harian Singapore
- 36) Evo Sports
- 37) Ba'alwie Mosque
- 38) Darul Aman Mosque
- 39) Aleem Siddique Mosque
- 40) Masjid Khalid
- 41) Mdm Hamidah Abdul Karim
- 42) Celebrity, Ms Huda Ali

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