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# Marina Bay Sands builds 5,200 food kits for The Food Bank Singapore in its annual Sands Cares Global Food Kit Build

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Marina Bay Sands Team Members volunteers assembling food bundles at the annual Sands Cares Food Kit Build

**SINGAPORE** (20 March 2024) – Marina Bay Sands hosted its third annual Sands Cares Global Food Kit Build with community partner The Food Bank Singapore today. The event was part of a unified effort to address food insecurity in parent company Las Vegas Sands' regions around the world and will benefit vulnerable communities in Singapore.

Marina Bay Sands assembled 5,200 food kits for distribution to the Singapore community. More than 330 Team Members, retail tenants and representatives from the benefiting organisations participated in assembling the kits, which included biscuits, milo, rice, and canned food.

"The annual Food Kit Build is an important contribution to the community and our Team Members once again demonstrated their commitment to ensuring that everyone can have access to food. Food insecurity is a critical issue around the world, and it is heartwarming that through the work

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of our staff and retail partners we can benefit thousands of families here in Singapore," said Nicholas Ionides, Vice President Communications and Corporate Affairs at Marina Bay Sands.

Marina Bay Sands has partnered with The Food Bank Singapore since 2016 to address hunger among at-risk communities in a variety of engagements, including through the donation of unserved catered food from Sands Expo & Convention Centre and regular volunteering by Team Members to sort food donations and take inventory at The Food Bank Singapore's warehouse.

"Sands Cares has been an invaluable partner to The Food Bank Singapore through the Food Kit Build for the third consecutive year, lending their support by building, pledging, and packing 5,200 food kits. The food assembled during this event will be distributed to over 5,000 families, bringing them joy and relief. In collaboration with our feeding partners, The Food Bank Singapore will distribute the food assembled during this event to our beneficiaries, ensuring that the food reaches those in need. The annual food kit build by Sands Cares not only demonstrates their commitment to positive social change but also significantly aids The Food Bank Singapore in our mission of ending food insecurity," said Ian Butler, Executive Director of The Food Bank Singapore.



Volunteers from benefitting organisations including Singapore Red Cross joined Marina Bay Sands for the annual Sands Cares Food Kit Build

The completed food kits from this year's initiative will be distributed through The Food Bank Singapore to nine benefiting organisations including Singapore Red Cross, PERTAPIS, and Sunlove, which joined the event.

"The food kits help alleviate financial burden by providing much needed support and ensuring access to vital energy and nutrients for our beneficiaries to get through the day," said Glynn Maung, Operations Manager, Singapore Red Cross. "Additionally, they contribute to our cause by providing necessary aid to the underprivileged, disaster stricken, needy and to help those who are unable to help themselves."

Addressing food insecurity and supporting disadvantaged people are primary focus areas of the global Sands Cares community engagement programme. The Sands Cares Global Food Kit Build is one of three signature Sands Cares initiatives held in Sands' regions around the world, including

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the Sands Cares Global Hygiene Kit Build with Clean the World and the Sands Cares Accelerator, a programme that helps advance nonprofit organisations to achieve greater community impact.

To learn more about how Marina Bay Sands supports the community by getting resources to people in need, including hunger relief efforts, visit <a href="http://www.marinabaysands.com/company-information/corporate-social-responsibility.html">http://www.marinabaysands.com/company-information/corporate-social-responsibility.html</a>

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Marina Bay Sands is Asia's leading business, leisure and entertainment destination. The integrated resort features Singapore's largest hotel with approximately 1,850 luxurious rooms and suites, crowned by the spectacular Sands SkyPark and iconic infinity pool. Its stunning architecture and compelling programming, including state-of-the-art convention and exhibition facilities, Asia's best luxury shopping mall, world-class dining and entertainment, as well as cutting-edge exhibitions at ArtScience Museum, have transformed the country's skyline and tourism landscape since it opened in 2010.

Marina Bay Sands is dedicated to being a good corporate citizen to serve its people, communities and environment. As one of the largest players in hospitality, it employs more than 11,000 Team Members across the property. It drives social impact through its community engagement programme, Sands Cares, and leads environmental stewardship through its global sustainability programme, Sands ECO360.

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