

**For Immediate Release**

**ISCOS ReGen Fund celebrates talents at the inaugural  
ISCOS Got Talent during its second virtual Family Day**

Singapore, 26 June 2021 – With much fun and anticipation, ISCOS ReGen Fund (IRF) launched the 'ISCOS Got Talent' today, where families of reformed offenders were invited to submit video clips of their talent performances to compete for top prizes. Whether it's singing, dancing or showing off artistic or sporting skills, it was a great opportunity to witness the creativity and artistic skills abound, performed alongside their family members.

**"We feel really honoured and proud. I choreographed the dance for fun but with this news (about the win), I am glad that we had joined and feel excited to see what comes next,"** said the 14 year-old sister from the sibling pair who clinched the top prize by mesmerizing the judges and audience with their traditional dance routine. Excitement, spontaneous shouts of joy and clapping filled the air when the top 3 winners for best performances, Most Popular award and Family Fun award were announced.

The 'ISCOS Got Talent' was a special segment at IRF's virtual Family Day, attended by 100 families of reformed offenders via the Zoom platform this morning. As one of the signature initiatives under the Fairy Godparent Programme (FGP), the Family Day aims to promote family bonding. During this time of pandemic where families go through difficulties and even isolation, IRF further aims to be the 'bigger family' to provide community-supported care and scaffolding for the families. This is the second year IRF has moved the Family Day virtually to bring the families together.

In her opening remarks, the event's Guest of Honour Ms Sun Xueling, Minister of State for Education, and Social and Family Development stressed on the importance of family support: **"Amidst the current COVID-19 climate, the role of family is as important as ever, if not more important. Some of us may feel worried and frustrated with the new norms, or anxious because of the uncertainties brought about by the pandemic. Through such challenging times, we can treasure our family even more, stay united with our loved ones and be safe."**

Themed 'Resillience', another highlight of this year's Family Day was the Amazing Race segment where all families 'raced' through a series of exciting tasks and missions to reach the virtual end points as soon as possible within the digital platform.

Supported by volunteers from Baker McKenzie Wong & Leow (BMWL) and Hwa Chong Institution, the event was sponsored by Lee Foundation, T-Touch and BMWL with contributions from Sentosa Development Corporation to provide prizes for the winners. Mini lunch buffet sets were also delivered by Neo Group to each home so that families can continue to bond over food after the event.

The virtual Family Day is one of the various events by IRF to support children and families of reformed offenders during the challenging times of pandemic. The charity continued to assist the beneficiaries through other initiatives such as the Family Steady packs (essential items for the household) and Steady Growth (milk and diapers for families with young children) in addition to the existing academic and pro-social initiatives under the FGP.

### **About ISCOS ReGen Fund (IRF)**

The ISCOS ReGen Fund is a registered charity fund to support children and families of reformed offenders. Through the Fairy Godparent Programme (FGP), the main objective is to prevent intergenerational offending by empowering the children with the opportunity of a complete education and the skills required to be employable and financially independent in future.

The name ReGen is made up of 'Re' and 'Gen' – 'Re' embodies the notion of reintegration into society, renewed and reformed life while the term 'Gen' refers to the younger generation and families of reformed offenders.

For more information, please refer to [www.irf.org.sg](http://www.irf.org.sg) and the social media channels ([Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)).

### **About Fairy Godparent Programme (FGP)**

FGP is anchored on three domains: Student Development, Family Support and Home Environment. Under FGP, IRF provides holistic support through bursary awards, sponsored tuition and pro-social initiatives such as after school activities to the children of reformed offenders. We place emphasis on the importance of building strong family units through family bonding activities, parenting workshops, mothers' support group and festive celebrations.

With the support from volunteers, we also help create conducive study corners for the children in their own homes through home reorganisation and/or painting projects. Since its introduction, thousands of children from low-income families have benefited from the FGP initiatives over the years.

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