

BUILDING OUR SHARED FUTURE

AN OVERVIEW



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16 months and over 200,000 participants.

The Forward Singapore exercise brought us together to chart the way forward for our next bound.

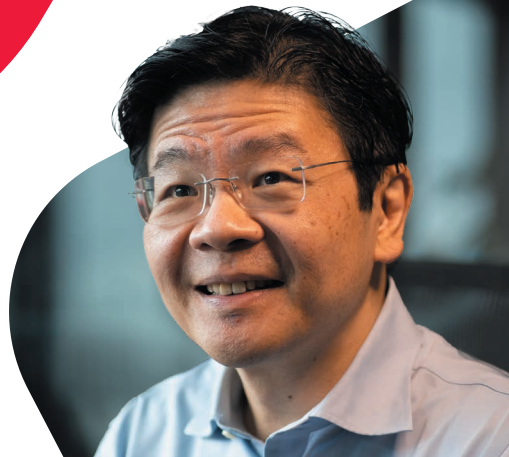
What do we want for our future? How do we turn our dreams into reality? Plenty of uncertainties and challenges lie ahead. But the many discussions we had with fellow Singaporeans give me confidence.

We are a diverse society, with different preferences and views. But we also have many common goals and aspirations.

Together, hand in hand, we can write the next chapter of our Singapore Story.

Together, we will build our shared future.”

Deputy Prime Minister Lawrence Wong
Chairman of the Forward SG Workgroup



The road ahead will not be easy.



We face a more troubled external environment:



Uncertain geopolitical outlook



Changes to the global economic system



Climate change

We face more domestic constraints:



Rapidly ageing population



Limits in land, labour and carbon



Challenges of inequality and social mobility

▶ We are more developed than before. But we are still a small city-state, vulnerable in many ways. No one is obliged to come to our rescue if we falter. It's up to us to look after ourselves, and shape our future together.



But take heart.

This is not the first time we have faced challenges. Since independence, we have defied the odds of history to achieve the impossible.

We are moving forward from a position of strength.

To meet tomorrow's challenges, we must:



Have a successful, strong and growing economy



Develop as a fairer, more just and more equal society



Deepen our sense of solidarity and unity



As we continue to build on our strengths and empower one another to give and achieve more, we can build a better Singapore together.



We've done it before, and we can do it again.

What do we want our shared future to look like?



Vibrant

With opportunities for lifelong learning and diverse career pathways



Inclusive

Where we embrace wider definitions of success, and everyone is valued and respected for who we are



Fair

Where everyone feels assured about their basic needs, and no one is left behind



Thriving

Where everyone can pursue their dreams, find fulfilment in life and be the best version of themselves



Resilient

Where we stand ready to adapt to change and bounce back stronger from our challenges

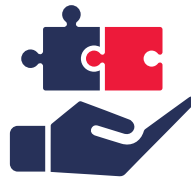
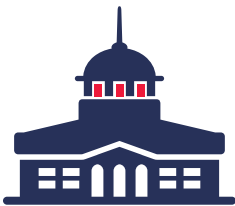


United

With a strong sense of shared identity, solidarity and togetherness



For every Singaporean to fulfil their aspirations...



Government will do more to provide opportunities and assurance at every stage of life

Everyone in society should contribute towards our shared goals and aspirations in our own ways

7 shifts to reach our shared future

01 Embracing Learning Beyond Grades

02 Respecting and Rewarding Every Job

03 Supporting Families through Every Stage

04 Enabling Seniors to Age Well

05 Empowering Those in Need

06 Investing in Our Shared Tomorrow

07 Doing Our Part as One United People

 A Vibrant, Inclusive, Fair, Thriving, Resilient and United Singapore





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How can we embrace learning beyond grades?



Give every child a good start:

Nurture a sense of curiosity and a **love for learning** from young



More diverse pathways:

So that grades do not define us, and we can all **realise our full potential** in life



Beyond school, pursue lifelong learning:

Through a significant boost to **SkillsFuture**



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How should we respect and reward every job?



Reduce wage gaps:

Recognition and better pay for those in **'hands' and 'heart' jobs**; enable more **ITE graduates** to upskill and upgrade



Support job transitions:

Empower individual career planning, and improve **matching of jobs and skills**, with a **new scheme** to help the **involuntarily unemployed** bounce back stronger



Nurture local talent:

More Singaporeans to become **specialists and leaders** in their respective fields

How can we support families through every stage?



Ensure public housing remains **affordable** and **fair**, and maintains a **good social mix**



More support for **parents of infants**, through parental leave and infant care options



Support Singaporeans' **mental well-being** and **work-life harmony**, such as through flexible work arrangements



More support for our **caregivers**



How can we enable seniors to age well?



A new national programme called Age Well SG:



More **activities in the community**, for seniors to connect and stay active



More **accessible services** for seniors with care needs



Make our **homes and neighbourhoods** more senior-friendly

Ensure seniors retire with peace of mind:



Majulah Package for 'young seniors'; ensure **all can meet their basic retirement needs** as long as they work and contribute to CPF consistently



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How do we empower those in need?

Uplift lower-income families:



Provide more financial support **tied to families' continued progress** in their longer-term goals



Enable children to attend preschool regularly, **to close early gaps**



Make Singapore a **more inclusive society for persons with disabilities**

How can we invest in our shared tomorrow?



Plan for the long term, to **optimise limited land** and secure a **climate-resilient future**



Strengthen our **food and water security**



Uphold **fiscal prudence and responsibility**, taking care of our needs today and ensuring a better future for our next generation





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How can we do our part as one united people?



Nurture a **stronger culture of giving** among individuals and businesses, especially those who have done well



Better **connect donors** and **volunteers** to local community needs



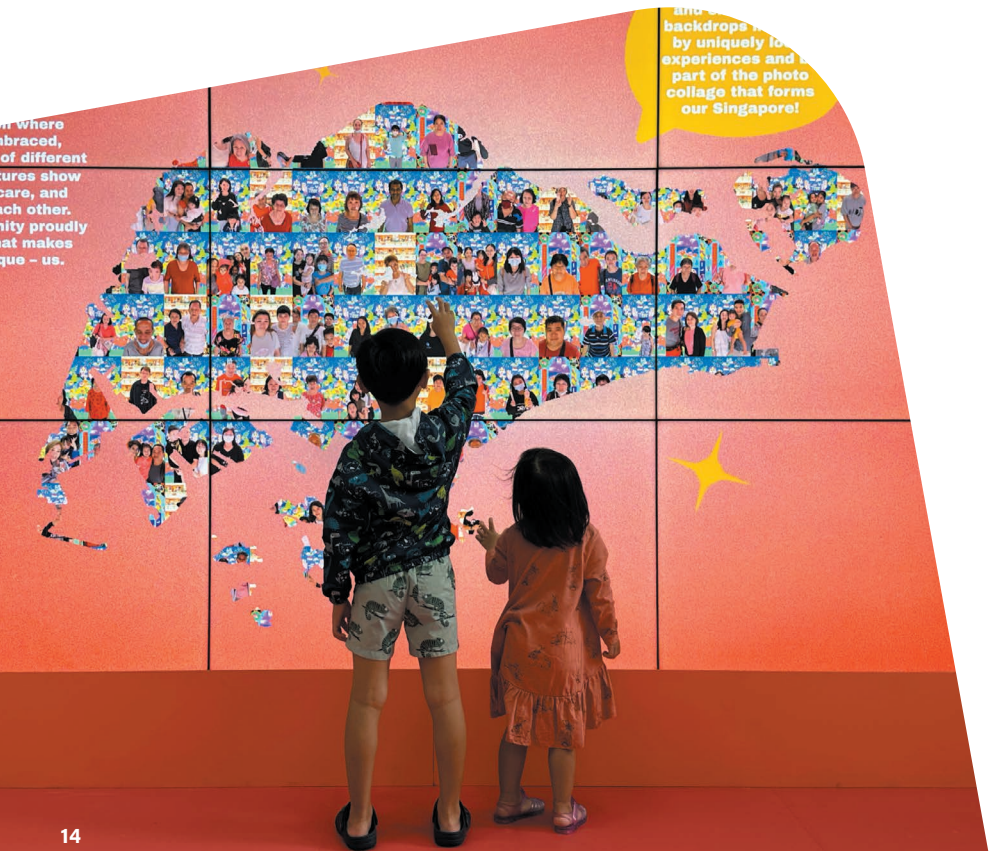
Strengthen our **multi-racialism** and our **distinctive Singaporean identity**



Create more avenues for **civic participation**



The next chapter of Our Singapore Story



This is our refreshed **social compact**.

Our promise to each other, as we chart our new way forward.

It is not built upon one person, or one entity.

Because we are all in this together. We all have a part to play.

We truly succeed only when we all succeed together.

**Together, let us build
our shared future.**

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