

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

The Hope Project



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SUMMARY

As Malaysia enters the endemic phase for COVID-19 on the 1st of April 2022, all resumption of physical activities were done with care. With health measures in place, we celebrated World Autism Awareness Month this year via remote means and continued to gradually reintroduce physical events throughout the year. Our #LoveSomeoneWithAutism social media campaign was launched on the 1st of April via an online premiere featuring our campaign video! A series of social media resource was also released on social media in accordance to the campaign. We have had various partners join us in raising awareness and acceptance for individuals with autism. We also launched a new collection of merchandise with a wider range of items in hopes of raising more funds to support our continued efforts. Throughout the year, we continued having various talks, meetings and partnerships with many organisations.

We continue to place emphasis on reaching out to more individuals with autism through the provision of services. In doing so, we continued our collaboration with the National Autism Society of Malaysia (NASOM) to train all their teachers in two centres as well as collaboratively work towards helping the children learn. On top of it all, we also continued producing videos for our Autism at Home online resource platform featuring a series of videos created to teach effective strategies to support an individual with autism.

Following our 6th year anniversary, we are also elated to announce that The Hope Project is now registered as a non-profit organisation under the name of "Early Autism Hope Project". As we move forward, we strive to continue reaching out to more individuals with autism and their families!

This report details the outworking of the initiative from January to December 2022 as well as the financial outcomes within this time period. Produced internally, this report aims to uphold the core values of accountability and transparency in managing a non-profit organisation that collaborates with various sectors of the community for the best interests of individuals with autism.

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The Hope Project was established in October 2016 by Early Autism Project Malaysia (EAP).

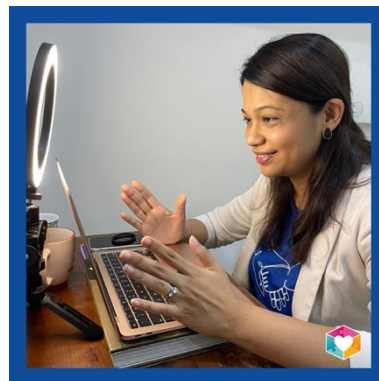
CAMPAIGNS

WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY PREMIERE

As Malaysians prepared to resume daily routines physically beginning April, all of us at The Hope Project started off the World Autism Awareness Month with an online World Autism Awareness Day Premiere. As we continue to strive towards awareness and acceptance, various partners and members of the public were invited to join us for the launch of our 2022 campaign video and #lovesomeonewithautism social media campaign!

We had a total of 100 participants in the premiere and was able to share all about autism, what we do, and how the community can be advocates as well. We were also honoured to be able to have an individual on the autism spectrum share about his efforts in advocacy!

2022 WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY PREMIERE



SOCIAL MEDIA ACCEPTANCE CAMPAIGN

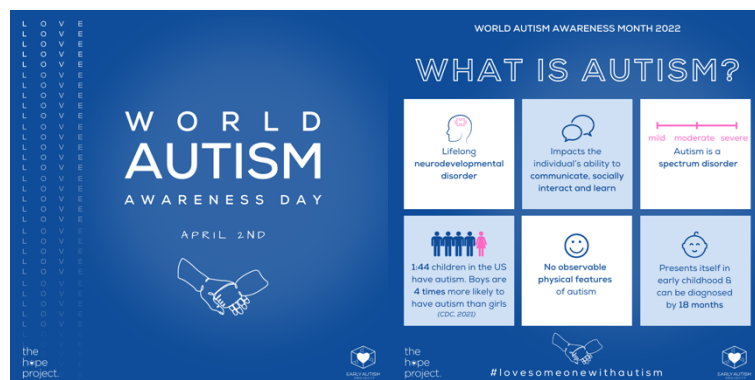
The #LoveSomeoneWithAutism campaign continued this year with all of us at The Hope Project raising awareness and acceptance for individuals with autism by sharing themselves in blue as well as sharing the reasons why they love someone with autism.

As part of the efforts in raising awareness, it is important to first understand what autism is and the myths surrounding it. While to strive towards building acceptance and inclusion, The Hope Project team strived to highlight the strengths of individuals with autism by sharing our "Did you know" resource series as well as to empower members of the public to play a part in being an advocate through our "How we can help" resource.

Throughout the month of April and across all social media platforms, the posts had a reach of 54,000 through a combination or reach from social media influencers such as Arrayyanhijrah as well as partners like GSC Malaysia!



Below is the resource on what autism is:



MYTHS VS FACTS ABOUT AUTISM

MYTH
Autism can be cured.

FACT
Almost 50% of children with autism who received quality Applied Behavioural Analysis (ABA) treatment are able to catch up with peers of their developmental age.

MYTH
Autism is the result of bad parenting.

FACT
Environmental, biological & genetic factors are linked to the cause of autism, but there is no exact cause known yet. Parenting style does not cause autism.

MYTH
Autism is caused by vaccines.

FACT
"Many studies have looked at whether there is a relationship between vaccines and autism spectrum disorder (ASD). To date, the studies continue to show that vaccines are not associated with ASD." (CDC, 2021)

MYTH
Individuals with autism have special talents or 'savant' skills.

FACT
Less than 10% of the autism population have 'savant' skills.

MYTH
Individuals with autism are all alike.

FACT
Autism is a spectrum disorder and can affect individuals on different severity levels - mild, moderate, severe.

MYTH
Individuals with autism are aggressive.

FACT
Autism affects the ability to communicate and some children may use challenging behaviours. This can change with a comprehensive behaviour plan.

MYTH
Individuals with autism do not make eye contact.

FACT
Individuals with autism can make eye contact when they feel relaxed and confident with the communicating partner.

MYTH
Individuals with autism cannot talk.

FACT
Although some children with Autism may have delayed speech or may not use words to communicate, many have very well developed speech. AAC* provides a means for individuals with autism to communicate.

MYTH
Individuals with autism do not have feelings and are unable to show affection.

FACT
Individuals with autism can and do give affection. However, due to differences in sensory processing and social understanding, the display of affection may appear different from typical people.

MYTH
Individuals with autism avoid social contact and interactions.

FACT
Individuals with autism are often keen to make friends but may find this challenging.

*AAC - Alternative & Augmentative Communication

The infographic consists of two main sections. The top section has a blue background and features a vertical list of words on the left: LOVE, RESPECT, BELIEVE, INSPIRE, HOPE, GROWTH, CHANGE, IMPACT, POSITIVE, ENERGY, PASSION, COURAGE, KINDNESS, FAITH, PATIENCE, HUMILITY, GRACE, MERCY, FORGIVENESS, PEACE.

DID YOU KNOW?

Part 1

WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH 2022

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SUSAN BOYLE

- Britain's Got Talent singing sensation.
- She was diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome as an adult.
- Bullied as a child because she was "different".
- She went on to become a bestselling artist who also had a cameo role in the film, The Christmas Candle.

Photo taken from USA Today

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SIR ANTHONY HOPKINS

- Oscar award-winning actor.
- He was diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome.
- Hopkins experienced learning differences as a child as well as obsessive thinking and difficulty maintaining friendship as an adult.
- Hopkins does credit ASD with his unique ability to look at people differently and deconstruct a character.

Photo taken from The Guardian

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DAN AYKROYD

- A popular comedic actor, producer, musician and writer.
- He was diagnosed with mild Asperger's syndrome as a child.
- He was expelled from two schools when he was young.
- He was well known for writing "Ghostbusters" and "The Blue Brothers".

Photo taken from BBC

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ALBERT EINSTEIN

- A theoretical physicist.
- Einstein had trouble socialising, especially as an adult.
- He experienced severe speech delays and later echolalia (habit of repeating sentences to himself) as a child.
- Such characteristics have led many experts to conclude that he appeared somewhere on the autism spectrum.

Photo taken from Biography

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HEATHER KUZMICH

- America's Next Top Model contestant.
- During the show, Kumch experienced challenges as she dealt with jokes she didn't quite understand, decoding difficult social innuendo and difficulty maintaining eye contact.
- Kuzmich was voted viewers' favourite eight weeks in a row during the competition.
- Kuzmich was the fourth-runner up of the show.

Photo taken from Wrong Planet

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DARYL HANNAH

- An American actress and environmental activist.
- Hannah was diagnosed with autism as a child.
- Her doctors recommended medication and institutionalisation.
- Though her mother refused this treatment, she remained socially isolated and found solace in movies.

Photo taken from News

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TEMPLE GRANDIN

- A professor of Animal Science at Colorado State University.
- Author of several books, including Thinking In Pictures and The Way I See It.
- Didn't begin speaking until she was almost four years old.
- She was diagnosed with autism as a child.
- Grandin is a prominent speaker on both autism and animal behaviour.

Photo taken from Biography

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DELWIN CHEAH WIEN LOONG

- Malaysia's first autistic savant artist.
- Received a recognition letter from President Barack Obama and Queen Elizabeth.
- The holder of Malaysia's Book of Records' Youngest Artist To Hold Solo Visual Art Exhibition as well as a recipient in the Malaysia's Book of Records 2014 Most Outstanding Personality (Art Category).

Photo taken from delwincheah.com

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CLARENCE KANG

- Award winning pianist and semi-finalist of Asia's Got Talent in 2015.
- Diagnosed with autism and Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder before he was 5.
- Kang can memorise musical notes, arrange and transcribe music from memory, and analyse complicated chords, all without having a formal education in music.

Photo taken from Liang Maligana

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PING LIAN

- Award-winning artist.
- Diagnosed with severe Autism.
- He is considered a "prodigious savant".
- His work has been exhibited in the US, UK, Australia, Japan, Germany, Singapore, and of course, Malaysia.
- Painted the Ubudhi Mosque at the age of 10, for \$30,000 to an anonymous bidder at the Grand Auction of the RDA Charity Ball.

Photo taken from panglin.com

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HOW WE CAN HELP

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COMMUNITY

LEARN
LEARN AND UNDERSTAND
WHAT AUTISM IS

BE KIND
BE KIND AND RESPECT
PERSONAL SPACE. GIVING
HIGH-FIVES OR FIST BUMPS IS
A GREAT WAY TO GREET

OFFER HELP
DO NOT STARE, GATHER
AROUND OR FILM

GIVE SPACE
GIVE FAMILIES THE SPACE &
DO NOT MAKE ASSUMPTIONS

FAMILY & FRIENDS

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SCHOOL CHILDREN

LEARN
LEARN TO UNDERSTAND & HOW
BEST TO INTERACT

UNDERSTAND
UNDERSTAND FAMILY'S
CIRCUMSTANCES

ACCEPT DIFFERENCES
BE KIND. EVERYONE IS
DIFFERENT AND MAY NEED
DIFFERENT KINDS OF HELP

OFFER HELP
OFFER YOUR HELP OR ASK THE
TEACHER IF NOT SURE HOW TO
HELP

INCLUDE
INCLUDE & INVITE ALONG TO
PLAY OR HANGOUT TOGETHER

SAY NO TO BULLYING
IF YOU SEE SOMEONE NOT
BEING KIND TO OTHERS,
STAND UP OR TELL AN ADULT
ABOUT IT

2022 WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

CAMPAIGN VIDEO

In our continued efforts to raise awareness for autism, The Hope Project team had the honour to film a story of hope of a family with 4 children, 2 of whom are on the autism spectrum. The video featured the family's journey with their two children on the spectrum, the challenges that they have faced and an important message to members of the public.



This campaign video was produced and directed by Shan Sze Tho and filmed by Stories.my. In addition to the crew, The Hope Project team was also joined by two child volunteers, Asha Grace Kay Cheryan and Rohan Joshua Cheryan who had generously offered their time and friendship to the family.



As part of the challenge involved eating in public, the team and family was able to have a scene filmed at Goodness Grazious. Through their generosity in offering the space for filming, the scene was made possible.



Since the release on 2nd of April 2022 until 29th June 2022, the video has garnered 3,700 views and 16,435 reach through all social media platforms! There were viewers from India, US, Malaysia, UK, Philippines and Canada too! All of us at The Hope Project would aim to continue towards producing more autism awareness videos that are easily accessible for everyone.

2022 World Autism Awareness campaign video can be viewed here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0xq5UgOmmio&t=4s>

2022 MERCHANDISE

Since the last release of new merchandise in 2019, the team at The Hope Project decided to launch a new series of merchandise in 2022! This time round, the line of merchandise included T-shirts, canvas bags, disposable face masks for children and adults, four different scents of sanitisers, umbrella, activity box and candles! All profits will go to support The Hope Project's outreach efforts.

The products are available on EAP Malaysia website:

<https://autismmalaysia.com/store/>



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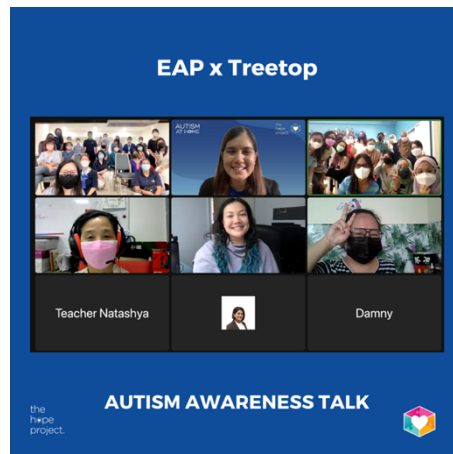
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SCHOOL TRAINING WORKSHOPS

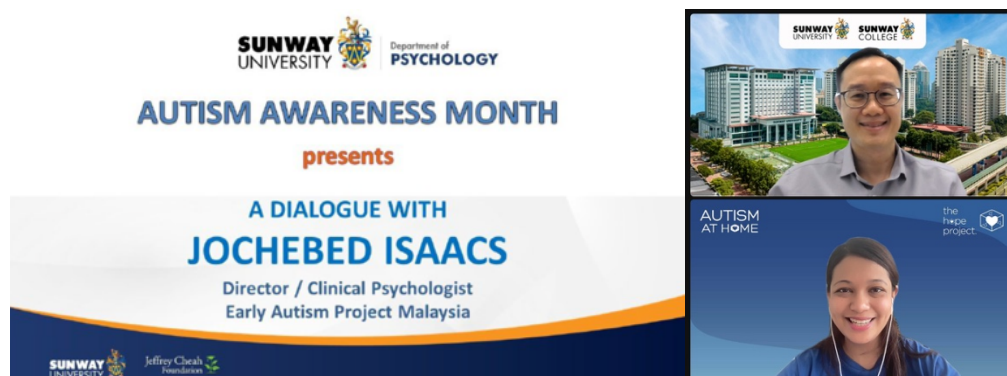
With schools finally opening up, we aimed to continue reaching out to schools in order to support the teachers and nurture inclusion in school settings. Through that, we were able to speak to the teachers at Treetop International School as well as Tenby International School Setia EcoHill with the aim of supporting the teachers in creating a more inclusive classroom.



UNIVERSITY REACH

In conjunction with World Autism Awareness Month, the Department of Psychology at the School of Medical and Life Sciences, Sunway University invited our director, Jochebed Isaacs to a dialogue. Together with Asst. Prof. Dr. Alvin Ng, Jochebed had the opportunity to discuss the misconceptions, the challenges faced and the autism literacy in Malaysia.

Following that, Sunway University will be starting a Master of ABA and Jochebed Isaacs was also provided the opportunity to be an industry advisor for the development of this programme.



CORPORATE PRESENTATIONS

Besides from school-going children, all of us at The Hope Project also continue to strive towards supporting the creation of more inclusive workplaces by discussing about what autism is, how to work with individuals with autism and being accepting. In line with that, we were honoured to be able to speak to IPG Media Brands on the 13th of April 2022. It was a great honor and we hope to be able to continue speaking to more organisations in the future.



GSC Malaysia: Autism Movie Screening, Sensory Screenings and Staff Training

As part of GSC Malaysia's efforts towards raising awareness for individuals with autism and working towards creating a more inclusive society, we were honoured with the opportunity with partner and support them in their cause. Starting off the partnership, GSC Malaysia launched an autism movie screening featuring, "The Reason I jump" and "The Specials". The movies were screening from April 14 to May 4, 2022. With each ticket sold for both of these movies, RM1 went to The Hope Project and two other autism related organisations! As part of their efforts, GSC raised a total of RM10,000 for The Hope Project!



Following that, GSC Malaysia initiated the efforts towards launching sensory-friendly cinema halls. We have had the honor to work with their team on making adjustments for the cinema halls as well as training the staff in equipping them with strategies to support individuals with autism! Two trainings on 12th May and 7th September were conducted.



GSC team training (12th May 2022)



GSC team training (7th Sept 2022)



GSC team training (7th Sept 2022)

UTme! WITH UNIQLO MALAYSIA

In continuation of our partnership with UNIQLO Malaysia, we were honoured to have the UTme! collaboration continue until Dec 2022. UTme! is an exclusive machine in UNIQLO's branches at DA square and Fahrenheit 88 that allows customers to create their own unique T-shirt by combining unique sticker designs, photos, images and text in any way they like. The series of designs by The Hope Project featured a series of artwork by children at EAP Malaysia in order to celebrate individuals with autism and their unique strengths to see the world through a different perspective.



AFTERBURN CROSSFIT AND TRAINING:
AUTISM AWARENESS CHARITY CLASSES

Throughout the month of April, The Hope Project teamed up with Afterburn Cross Training and Fitness for 5 classes across 5 weeks. With the aim of raising awareness and funds in support of The Hope Project, Marcus Tan conducted and raised a total of RM778 in support of The Hope Project!



Collaboration with Dough Little Malaysia

In conjunction with World Autism Awareness Month 2022, the team at Dough Little Malaysia extended their kindness and sponsored blue sensory rice to be included into our 2022 Activity Box!



Collaboration with Scoby Coffee and Booch

The team at The Hope Project also had the privilege to team up with Scoby Coffee and Booch to create a series of blue food items for sale at their café! The items for sale includes a blue drink, Kombucha, tart and sourdough bread. Through the collaboration, they have been able to raise RM1000 in support of all the efforts at The Hope Project.



Booths with Serena's Secret

Together with Dr Wan, Serena, Sofieya and family, The Hope Project has been invited in joining them to raise awareness for individuals with autism! On the 19th of August, The Hope Project team joined Dr Wan, Serena, Sofieya and their Chatime staff with autism at Thompson Hospital!



On top of that, they had also sold THP merchandise and gathered a total donation of RM1,240.00 in support of THP's efforts. Following the Thompson hospital booth, we have had 3 more opportunities to hold booths with Dr Wan, Serena and Sofieya, twice in British International School Kuala Lumpur (3rd October and 8th December) and once during the STAR Golden Hearts Awards (11th November).



Dr Wan and family also owns a Chatime in Thompson Hospital that hires individuals with Autism. The family trains and works with individuals with Autism to offer them the opportunity to thrive in a vocation.



Picture credit: The Rakyat Post

We would also like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Serena who had won the 2022 STAR Golden Hears Awards and as the youngest award recipient ever. It has been incredible seeing the passion that this family has for individuals with autism and we hope to be able to continue working together.



Check out this video of Serena in an interview with STAR news:

https://www.instagram.com/reel/CIx8JfXJs4T/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link

WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH HIGHLIGHT VIDEO

In highlighting all that has been done throughout World Autism Awareness Month, we produced a highlight video in celebrating the various efforts and partnerships.



You can view our WAAM 2020 highlight video here: <https://youtu.be/Tho03UffVhs>

SERVICES

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF TEACHERS IN THE NATIONAL AUTISM SOCIETY OF MALAYSIA (NASOM)

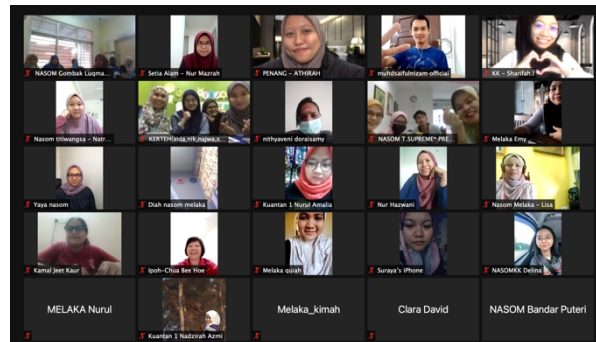
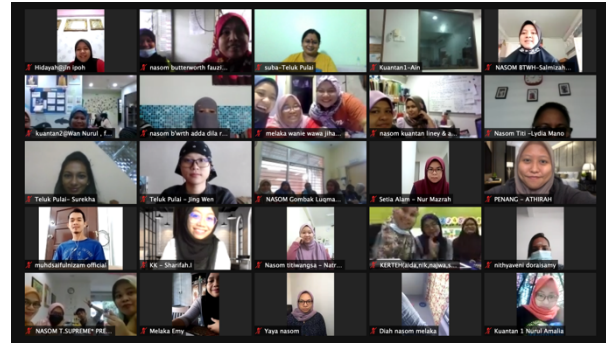
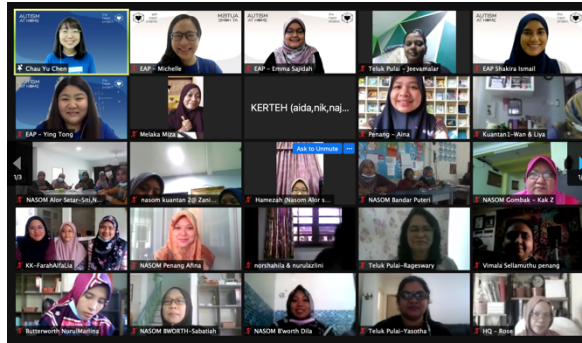
On 11th of January 2021, our partnership with NASOM began with the signing of an MOU.



Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding

In January 2021, we were able to complete the theoretical training of all of NASOM's teachers via Zoom. We trained the teachers on a total of 5 modules, amounting to 20 hours spread out from January to March 2021. The 5 modules were:

1. Introduction to Special Needs Education: 30th January 2021
2. Principles of ABA: 6th February 2021
3. Managing Challenging Behaviours: 27th February 2021
4. Foundational Skills and Prompting: 6th March 2021
5. Speech, Language and Communication: 13th March 2021



After a successful training of the teachers across the 5 modules, we were able to continue supporting NASOM Titiwangsa and NASOM Gombak physically. We were able to guide the teachers in the implementation the strategies taught during the 5 training modules. However, as the global situation for COVID-19 had caused intermittent closures of the centres, the support was put on hold from July to Dec 2021.



NASOM-THP Centre Support Launch 1



NASOM 1st Observation



NASOM first centre support

Beginning January 2022, the team at The Hope Project resumed support for both NASOM Gombak and NASOM Titiwangsa on a weekly basis. We began by first meeting the board members on the 11th of January 2022 to review and recap strategies for moving forward. Following that, we proceeded with centre observations once more on the 25th of January 2022.

Beginning February 2022, the team at The Hope Project went into both NASOM Gombak and NASOM Titiwangsa to support the teachers in various areas involved in effective implementation of programs. Throughout the year, we have supported a total of **20 teachers** and impacted **87 children**!



NASOM-EAP Renewal of MOU



Support strategies implemented

Throughout 2021 and 2022, EAP Malaysia has given in kind 1,141.48 supervisory, specialist and senior therapist hours from October 2020 to October 2022 not including travel time and costs.

2021

ACTIVITY	TEAM INVOLVED	HOURS
NASOM-THP Meetings	Jochebed Isaacs, Chau Yu Chen, Michelle Yong, Emma Sajidah, Avi Ong	54.35
NASOM Training 5 modules + preparation	Jochebed Isaacs, Chau Yu Chen, Emma Sajidah, Michelle Yong, Nurul Huda, Alia Atiqa, Fiza, Jia Yun, Ying Tong, Shakira	258
NASOM Centre Support	Jochebed Isaacs, Chau Yu Chen, Emma Sajidah, Michelle Yong, Nurul Huda, Alia Atiqa	70
NASOM Team Clinics (internal)	Chau Yu Chen, Emma Sajidah, Michelle Yong, Nurul Huda, Alia Atiqa	35.5
	TOTAL	417.85

2022

ACTIVITY	TEAM INVOLVED	HOURS
NASOM-THP Meetings	Jochebed Isaacs, Rachel Gomez, Michelle Yong, Emma Sajidah, Sabine Fernandez, Alia Atiqa, Jeah Hueey, Ili, Kaiyisah, Shakira, Fiza	20
NASOM Support administration and preparation	Jochebed Isaacs, Rachel Gomez, Michelle Yong, Emma Sajidah, Sabine Fernandez, Atiqa, Jeah Hueey, Ili, Kaiyisah, Shakira, Fiza	184
NASOM Centre Support	Rachel Gomez, Michelle Yong, Emma Sajidah, Sabine Fernandez, Atiqa, Jeah Hueey, Ili, Kaiyisah, Shakira, Fiza	465.15
NASOM Team Clinics (internal)	Jochebed Isaacs, Rachel Gomez, Michelle Yong, Emma Sajidah, Sabine Fernandez, Atiqa, Jeah Hueey, Ili, Kaiyisah, Shakira, Fiza	54.75
	TOTAL	723.9

PENANG CENTRE VISITS

Our team also has had the opportunity to visit NASOM Butterworth, LemmeLearn Empowerment Center and Asia Community Service (ASC) on the 5th of August 2022. Through the visits, we were able to discuss topics related to individuals with special needs in Penang and particularly for those with Autism Spectrum Disorder. The visits have been fruitful and we are grateful for ASC, NASOM Butterworth and LemmeLearn for their hospitality.

You can find out more about the visits here:

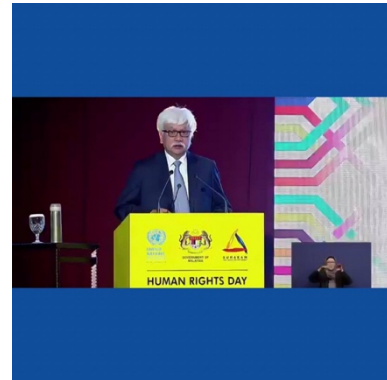
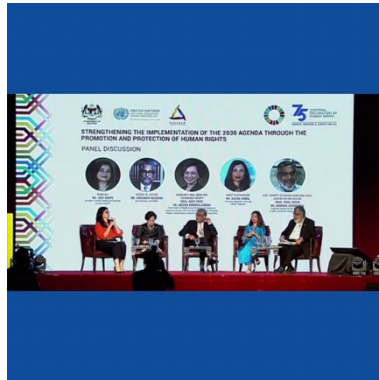
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SUHAKAM OKU CELEBRATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS FORUM

In conjunction with the International People with Disabilities Day on the 3rd of December, our director Jochebed Isaacs was honoured with the opportunity to celebrate with SUHAKAM on the 6th of December through a movie screening! Following that, we were then invited to virtually join a forum on the 10th of December themed, "Strengthening and Enhancing by Human Rights Towards Leaving No One Behind".

It was both insightful and inspiring as the panel discussed on enhancing awareness of the link between human rights and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The panel also discussed the global and national commitments in ensuring that no one is left behind. As we move forward together as a nation, we hope to continue the conversation surrounding individuals with special needs and begin advocating for actions to protect the rights of special needs individuals.



MEETING WITH MINISTRY OF EDUCATION OF MALAYSIA

In striving towards building a more inclusive society, we were graced with two opportunities to participate in a focus group for 'PLANMalaysia' on the 12th of May and once more on the 25th of October 2022. Plan Malaysia aims to build a special needs friendly city. On the 12th of May 2022, our director, Jochebed Isaacs attended along with Rachel Gomez, THP senior supervisor.

On the 25th of October 2022, our head of clinical operations, Charmaine attended the focus group alongside Malaysia's Pengarah Pembangunan, YBrs. TPr Haji Hassan bin Yaakob. The meeting was also attended by Professor Hasnah Toran, Dr Choy from OASIS, Melissa Hashim from Sunway Putra Mall, Mr. Daniel from ANIS, Pn Farhana, Pn Jasmine, Pn Aisyah and En Sulaiman.

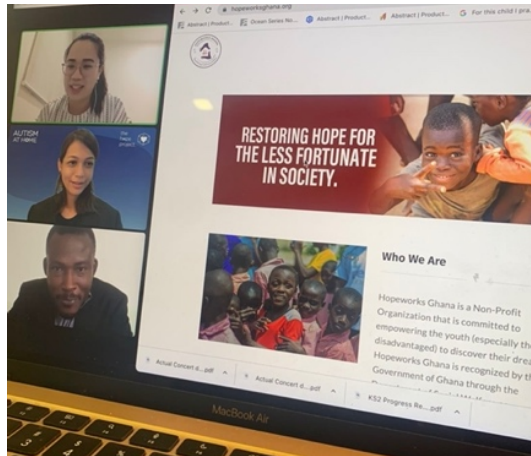
We hope to continue making an impact and that the project succeeds in building an inclusive city!



Plan Malaysia Meeting (12th May 2022)

OTHER ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

It has been incredibly heart-warming to have also had the opportunity to meet various other organisations that have been making a difference. Some of the organisations that we have met with includes IHH Healthcare, Hospital University Malaysia Sabah and Hope for Ghana!



Meeting with Hope for Ghana



Meeting with IHH Healthcare



Meeting with HUMS

RESOURCES

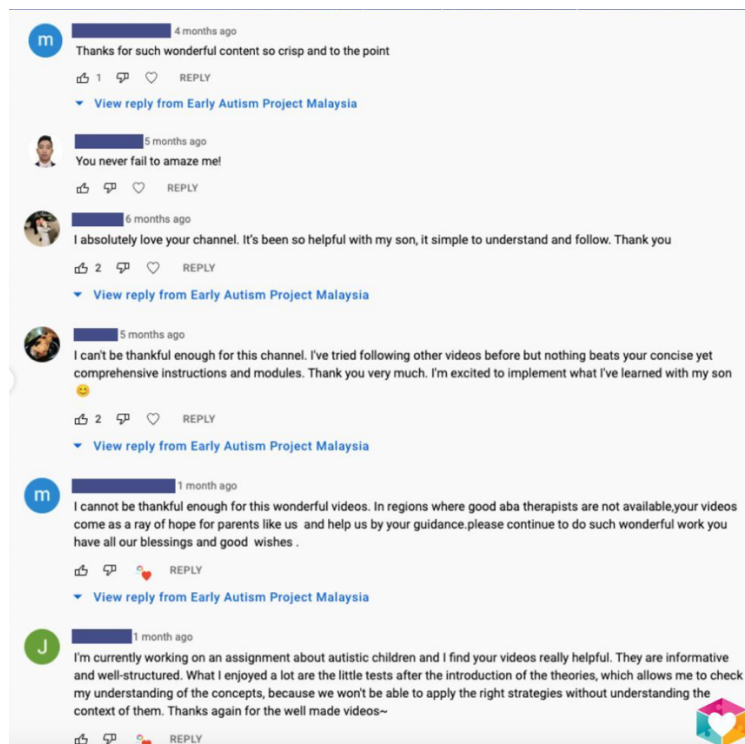
AUTISM AT HOME ONLINE RESOURCE PLATFORM

Through the continued support of all donors and contributors, the team at Autism at home had been able to continue the production of resource videos for the Autism at home platform. Autism at home features multiple series of interactive resource videos teemed with the best strategies utilized by Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) professionals all across the world. Since its launch in April 2020, the platform has steadily grown and currently has garnered a total of 1,649 subscribers and a total viewership of more than 370,000! Some of the top viewership countries includes Malaysia, USA, India, UK, Australia, Philippines, Canada, Trinidad & Tobago, Singapore and even Brunei.

Up until November 2022, we had also been able to release a total of 31 videos for 4 series in this current year. Since the launch of Autism at Home in April 2020 up until November 2022, we have released a total of 107 videos across 16 series! We have also been able to create and release a total of 225 English and 184 Malay downloadable resources.



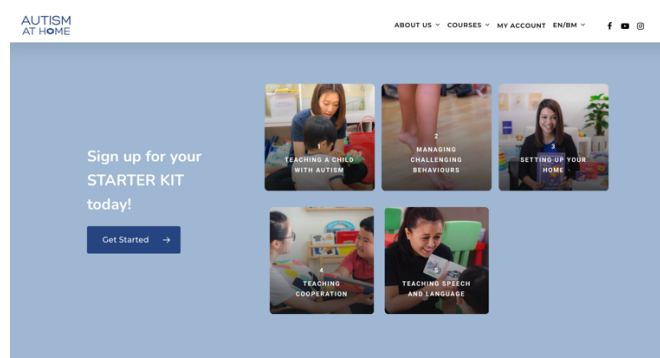
The videos themselves have also garnered support from many parents, professionals and members of the public!



Following these 16 released free series, 2 more paid series (Building Language & Pre-Academics) have been filmed and are to be launched. These series will be at a special introductory price at RM49.90 (original price is RM149.90) and with the vision that the Autism At Home Platform can become self-sustaining.

The planned topics for 2023 includes:

1. Building Language (Paid)
2. Pre-Academics (Paid)
3. Social Skills
4. Community Skills
5. Advanced Expressive Language
6. Preparing for School
7. Games
8. Daily Living Skills



The Autism at Home website can be accessed here:

<http://www.autismathome.co>

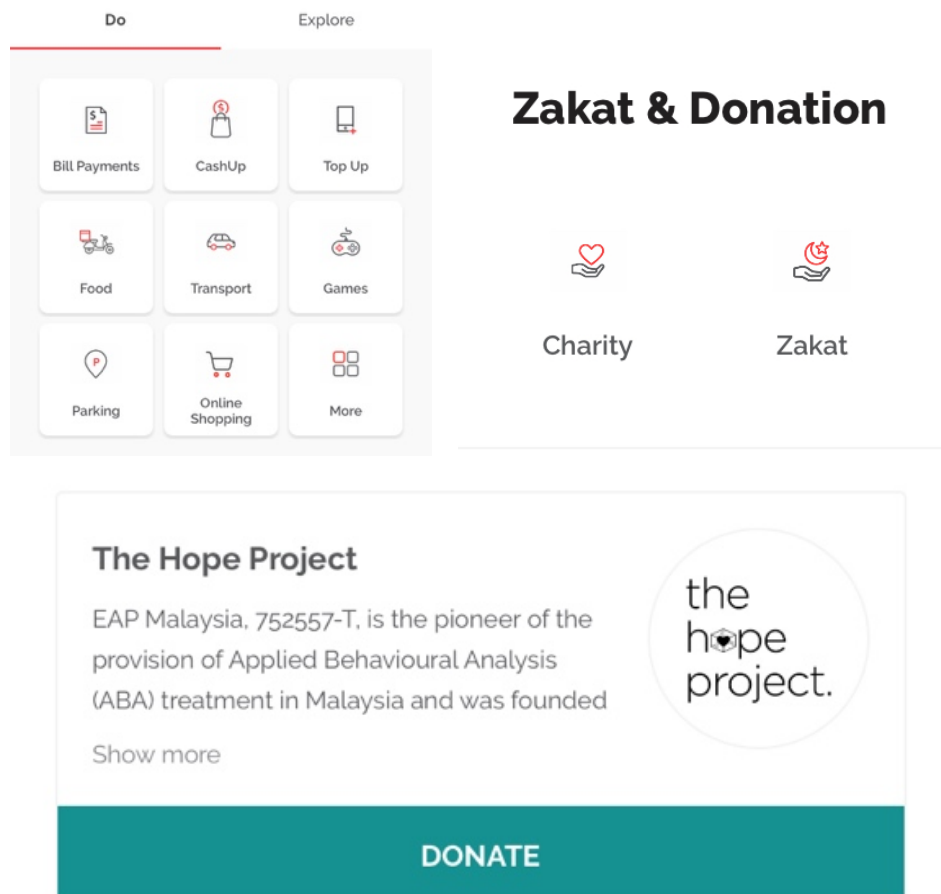
EAP has contributed in kind all the content, resource and a total of 720 supervisory and staff hours in 2022 as part of our efforts to make world-class services accessible to all!

ACTIVITY	TEAM INVOLVED	HOURS
Resource development (content, scripts, website, editing, publishing, articles)	Jochebed Isaacs Emma Sajidah Sook Yee Alya	560
Filming of content	Jochebed Isaacs Emma Sajidah Hoay Chiing	40
Translation of content	Ili, Azreen	120
Total hours:		720

FUNDRAISING & FINANCES

PARTNERSHIP WITH BOOST APP, AXIATA DIGITAL

The partnership with Boost continued in 2022 in hopes of raising funds to support The Hope Project. Through the Boost app, users can donate amounts from their e-wallets to the organisation of their choice. In this partnership, we were honoured the opportunity to continue being on their list of non-profit organisation where The Hope Project can receive donations from their users. From January to up to 15th December 2022, we have managed to raise a total of RM 2,161.81 in support of The Hope Project's efforts. As we continue on this partnership, we would like to extent out utmost gratitude for all Boost users and donors for their generosity.



CONTRIBUTIONS

In collaboration with various partners and EAP team members, we successfully raised RM45,006.16 to continue The Hope Project's efforts in making world class services accessible to all. All funds raised goes to support The Hope Project's efforts in campaigns, development of resources and provision of services for the future.

We would like to extend our utmost gratitude towards all organisations and individuals who have contributed to the above funds.

Early Autism Project Malaysia has also in kind, given time and hours of staff members within the organization amounting more than 1,609 cumulative hours from January to December 2022, across various supervisors, specialists, senior therapists and team members in EAP. The hours are utilized in the various parts of The Hope Project under campaigns, services and resources.

Campaign	Development of material	Filming of Campaign (Team)	Total hours
WAAD Campaign Video	22 hours	40 hours	62 hours
Campaign	Development of material/preparation	Running of Campaign (Team)	Total hours
Social Media Campaign	55 hours	5 hours	60 hours
Public presentations	5 hours	10 hours	15 hours
Booths	10 hours	18 hours	28 hours
Services	Planning, preparation of materials, translations	Implementation (team)	Total hours
NASOM training	259 hours	465 hours	724 hours
Resources	Preparation, development of materials, translations	Filming and editing of videos/Editing	Total hours
Autism at Home	680 hours	40 hours	720 hours
Total hours			1,609 hours

MOVING FORWARD



Awareness about
accurate diagnosis and
treatment



Implementation of
national standards in
the field of autism



Increased access to
research-proven,
effective therapy

2022 has been a year filled with outreach efforts guided towards reaching The Hope Project's core objectives through campaigns, services and resources. As we continue into 2023, we aim to continue all of our efforts towards The Hope Project's vision of making world class services accessible to all. The table below features our upcoming plans for 2023.

WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH 2023 CAMPAIGN

With the theme of "Becoming Autism Friendly", we strive towards advocating for inclusion in the upcoming year. We will be continuing our efforts in raising awareness through social media, campaign video, trainings and workshops. We will also be restarting our school acceptance campaign.

AUTISM FRIENDLY OUTLETS

In our efforts towards inclusion, we have also launched our Autism Friendly Outlets project whereby different services and outlets can be autism friendly. Together with THP, services can be trained and accommodations can be made to be more inclusive of special needs.

<p>TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF NASOM TEACHERS</p> <p>We aim to continue supporting the teachers in NASOM through a supervision model, growing one step towards higher quality services for individuals with autism in the B40 and M40 communities.</p>	<p>AUTISM AT HOME RESOURCE PLATFORM</p> <p>Moving forward in resources, we will continue to develop and build the resources within Autism at Home by adding more lessons and units of learning for the public to access.</p>
<p>PROVISION OF SUBSIDISED THERAPY PROGRAMMES</p> <p>EAP will be committing to develop one subsidised service for a migrant worker's child for 2023 with the funds by a sponsor.</p>	<p>DEVELOPMENT OF FURTHER RESOURCES</p> <p>The EAP and THP team will continue to innovate to create resources and utilise technology to help support more families with autism internationally.</p>

We look forward to the next steps in The Hope Project's journey and making a bigger impact in 2023! All fund raising efforts including the sales of merchandise will continue in order to support The Hope Project's outreach initiatives.

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A massive thank you to everyone who has been a part of the journey with The Hope Project thus far. We look forward 2023 and making a greater impact in all that we do.

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