

SINGAPORE COUNCIL OF
WOMEN'S ORGANISATION (SCWO)
THE STAR SHELTER

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2011

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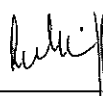
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STATEMENT BY THE SCWO BOARD

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements which comprise the balance sheet (statement of financial position) as at 31 January 2011, and the statement of comprehensive income, and statement of changes in funds for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of The Star Shelter as at 31 January 2011 and the results and changes in funds for the year ended on that date.



Mrs Laura Hwang Cheng Lin
President



Mrs Lim Aye Ling
Honorary Treasurer

Singapore, 16 May 2011

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

SINGAPORE COUNCIL OF WOMEN'S ORGANISATIONS (SCWO)

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We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Star Shelter, an integral part of SCWO (the Association), set out on pages 6 to 15. These financial statements comprise the balance sheet (statement of financial position) as at 31 January 2011, and the statement of comprehensive income and statement of changes in funds for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The accompanying financial statements reflect only transactions arising from the activities undertaken by The Star Shelter, which is an operating segment of SCWO.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Act, Cap. 37 and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair profit and loss accounts and balance sheets and to maintain accountability of assets.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal controls. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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(continued)

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of The Star Shelter as at 31 January 2011 and the results and changes in funds of The Star Shelter for the year ended on that date.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the regulations enacted under the Charities Act (Cap. 37) – Charities (Institutions of a Public Character) Regulations 2007 and its amendments in Charities (Institutions of a Public Character) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 to be kept by the Association have been properly kept.



LO HOCK LING & CO.
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Singapore, 16 May 2011

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Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 31 January 2011

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
		\$	\$
<u>INCOME</u>			
Bank interest		1,431	854
Contributions from dormitory residents		2,575	565
Donations			
- non tax deductible		2,720	16,310
- tax deductible		26,872	106,432
Event income		-	5,283
Forum		-	1,044
MCYS grants		111,030	84,992
NCSS subsidy		70,972	38,996
Sundry income		28,355	20,999
		243,955	275,475
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Audit fee		2,675	1,926
Bank charges		93	80
Cleaning services		7,868	4,300
Contract services		2,350	-
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	3	3,383	1,505
Employee benefits expense	4	55,387	38,948
Event expenses		-	6,890
Foreign workers levy		3,030	2,880
General expenses		3,069	1,211
Groceries		6,975	8,589
Insurance		719	195
IT website expense		1,666	2,116
Medical expenses		1,006	335
Office transport		1,300	982
Postages and stamps		-	16
Printing and stationery		389	579
Professional fees		-	856
Refreshment		382	-
Repairs and maintenance		8,623	8,097
Security guard services		31,800	30,440
Skills development levy		152	104
Telecommunication expenses		897	508
Training and development		219	33
Utilities		10,919	8,822
		142,902	119,412
Surplus for the year		101,053	156,063
<u>Other Comprehensive Income</u>			
Deficit from Rebuild Programme Fund		(1,620)	(6,608)
Funds transfer to SCWO operating fund		(72,000)	(72,000)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		(73,620)	(78,608)
Total comprehensive income		27,433	77,455

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position as at 31 January 2011

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
		\$	\$
<u>ASSETS</u>			
<u>Non-Current Assets</u>			
Property, plant and equipment	3	<u>104,976</u>	<u>7,415</u>
Total Non-Current Assets		<u>104,976</u>	<u>7,415</u>
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Receivables	5	46,154	29,127
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	6	495,592	94,313
Cash and bank balances		<u>29,728</u>	<u>431,508</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>571,474</u>	<u>554,948</u>
Total Assets		<u>676,450</u>	<u>562,363</u>
<u>FUNDS AND LIABILITIES</u>			
Star Shelter General Fund		545,840	516,787
Rebuild Programme Fund	7	<u>39,730</u>	<u>41,350</u>
Total Funds		<u>585,570</u>	<u>558,137</u>
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
Payables	8	<u>90,880</u>	<u>4,226</u>
Total Current Liabilities		<u>90,880</u>	<u>4,226</u>
Total Funds and Liabilities		<u>676,450</u>	<u>562,363</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Funds for the year ended 31 January 2011

	Star Shelter General Fund	Rebuild Programme Fund	Total Funds
	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 31 January 2009	432,724	47,958	480,682
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	156,063	(6,608)	149,455
Transfer to SCWO operating fund	(72,000)	-	(72,000)
Balance as at 31 January 2010	516,787	41,350	558,137
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	101,053	(1,620)	99,433
Transfer to SCWO operating fund	(72,000)	-	(72,000)
Balance as at 31 January 2011	545,840	39,730	585,570

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 January 2011

The following notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Star Shelter is a charity registered under the Charities Act Cap. 37 and an Institution of a Public Character. It is an integral part of the Singapore Council of Women's Organisations (SCWO), an association registered under the Societies Act, Cap. 311. Its registered office is located at 96 Waterloo Street Singapore 187967.

The Star Shelter provides a temporary refuge for victims of family violence and others in need of protection, regardless of race, language, creed or religion.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Preparation

The association presents its financial statements in Singapore dollars, which is also its functional currency.

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention except as disclosed in the accounting policies below, and comply with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (FRS), including related Interpretations promulgated by the Accounting Standards Council.

As these financial statements are in respect of The Star Shelter only, the statement of cash flows in accordance with FRS 7 Statement of Cash Flows has not been prepared. Separately, the association has prepared combined financial statements incorporating the results of all operating segments of SCWO, including The Star Shelter, which presents a statement of cash flows of the association as a whole.

During the financial year, the association adopted all the applicable new/revised FRSs which are effective on or before 1 February 2010.

The adoption of these new/revised FRSs did not have any material effect on the association's financial statements and did not result in substantial changes to the association's accounting policies.

(b) Significant Accounting Estimates and Judgments

Estimates, assumptions concerning the future and judgments are made in the preparation of the financial statements. They affect the application of the association's accounting policies, reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses, and disclosures made. They are assessed on an ongoing basis and are based on experience and relevant factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

(A) *Key sources of estimation uncertainty*

Depreciation on property, plant and equipment

The costs of property, plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Management's estimates of the useful lives of these property, plant and equipment are disclosed in note 2(g). Changes in the expected usage and technological developments could impact the economic useful lives and the residual values of these assets. Therefore, future depreciation charges could be revised. The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment and the depreciation charge for the year are disclosed in note 3 to the financial statements.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(b) Significant Accounting Estimates and Judgments (continued)

(B) *Critical judgments made in applying accounting policies*

In the process of applying the association's accounting policies, the management has made certain judgments, apart from those involving estimations, which have significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the association's non-financial assets subject to impairment are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated based on the higher of the value in use and the asset's net selling price. Estimating the value in use requires the association to make an estimate of the expected future cash flows from the continuing use of the assets and also to choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows.

(c) FRS and INT FRS not yet effective

The association has not applied any new FRS or INT FRS (Interpretations of Financial Reporting Standards) that has been issued as at the balance sheet date but is not yet effective. The board does not anticipate the adoption of the new FRS and INT FRS in future financial periods to have any material impact on the association's financial statements in the period of initial application.

(d) Receivables

Receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less allowance for impairment. Receivables with a short duration are not discounted.

When there is objective evidence that the association will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables, an impairment loss is recognised. The amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the carrying value of the receivable and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the receivable is reduced directly or through the use of an allowance account. The amount of the loss is recognised in profit or loss.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss shall be reversed either directly or by adjusting an allowance account. The amount of the reversal shall be recognised in profit or loss.

(e) Payables

Payables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

(f) Revenue Recognition

Interest income is recorded on a time-proportion basis, using the effective interest method, unless collectability is in doubt.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(f) Revenue Recognition (continued)

Government grants are recognised as income when there is reasonable assurance that the association will comply with the conditions attaching to the grants and that the grants will be received.

Donations are recognised in profit or loss upon receipt. Donations and contributions received in connection with events held are matched against the respective event expenditure.

(g) Property, Plant and Equipment

All items of property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at cost. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised as an asset if, and only if, it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably.

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment loss, if any.

Any estimated costs of dismantling and removing the property, plant and equipment and reinstating the site to its original condition (reinstatement costs) are capitalised as part of the cost of the property, plant and equipment.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight line basis so as to write off the cost, less the residual value, of the assets over their estimated useful lives. The annual rates of depreciation are as follows:

Air-conditioners	3 years
Computers	3 years
Office equipment, furniture & fittings	10 years

Fully depreciated assets are retained in the financial statements until they are no longer in use.

The residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods of property, plant and equipment are reviewed and adjusted as appropriate, at each financial year end.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the assets is recognised in profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised.

(h) Employee Benefits

Defined Contribution Plans

The association makes contributions to the state provident fund (Central Provident Fund). Such contributions are recognised as compensation expense in the same period as the employment that gives rise to the contributions.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(i) Impairment of Non-Financial Assets

The carrying amounts of the association's assets subject to impairment are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the greater of the asset's net selling price and its value in use. The value in use is the present value of estimated future cash flows expected to arise from the continuing use of the asset and from its disposal at the end of its useful life.

An impairment loss on a non-revalued asset is recognised in profit or loss. An impairment loss on a revalued asset is recognised in other comprehensive income to the extent that the impairment loss does not exceed the amount in the revaluation surplus for that same asset. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount or when there is an indication that the impairment loss recognised for the asset no longer exists or decreases. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined if no impairment loss had been recognised.

(j) Income Taxes

As a registered charity under the Charities Act, Cap. 37, the income of The Star Shelter is exempt from tax under Section 13(1)(zm) of the Income Tax Act, Cap. 134.

3. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	<u>Computers</u>	<u>Office equipment, furniture & fittings</u>	<u>Air- conditioners</u>	<u>Renovation - Work in progress</u>	<u>Total</u>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<u>Cost</u>					
At 1 February 2009	1,758	-	-	-	1,758
Additions	-	8,334	-	-	8,334
At 31 January 2010 and 1 February 2010	1,758	8,334	-	-	10,092
Additions	1,097	10,008	3,548	86,291	100,944
At 31 January 2011	<u>2,855</u>	<u>18,342</u>	<u>3,548</u>	<u>86,291</u>	<u>111,036</u>
<u>Accumulated depreciation</u>					
At 1 February 2009	1,172	-	-	-	1,172
Charge for the year	586	919	-	-	1,505
At 31 January 2010 and 1 February 2010	1,758	919	-	-	2,677
Charge for the year	366	1,834	1,183	-	3,383
At 31 January 2011	<u>2,124</u>	<u>2,753</u>	<u>1,183</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,060</u>
<u>Carrying amount</u>					
As at 31 January 2011	<u>731</u>	<u>15,589</u>	<u>2,365</u>	<u>86,291</u>	<u>104,976</u>
As at 31 January 2010	<u>-</u>	<u>7,415</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,415</u>

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4. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS EXPENSE

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
	\$	\$
Salaries and related costs	49,020	35,090
Employer's contributions to Central Provident Fund	<u>6,367</u>	<u>3,858</u>
	<u>55,387</u>	<u>38,948</u>

5. RECEIVABLES

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
	\$	\$
Due from SCWO operating fund	-	855
Grant receivable from MCYS	45,684	28,272
Prepayments	<u>470</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>46,154</u>	<u>29,127</u>

Non-trade receivables are unsecured, interest-free and expected to be received within 6 months.

6. FIXED DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

All fixed deposits mature within one year and bear interest at rates ranging from 0.25% to 0.85% (2010: 0.6875% to 0.5500%) per annum.

7. REBUILD PROGRAMME FUND

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
	\$	\$
Balance at beginning of financial year	41,350	47,958
Net disbursements	(<u>1,620</u>)	(<u>6,608</u>)
Balance at end of financial year	<u>39,730</u>	<u>41,350</u>

The Rebuild Programme Fund is set up to help The Star Shelter residents rebuild their homes by giving them rebuild home loans, room rental and transport allowance assistance.

Rebuild home loans disbursed from the Rebuild Programme Fund are interest-free and have no fixed repayment terms. All loans extended to residents are recorded as funds disbursed, while any loan repayments are recorded as funds received.

8. PAYABLES

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
	\$	\$
Due to SCWO operating fund	86,291	-
Accruals	<u>4,589</u>	<u>4,226</u>
	<u>90,880</u>	<u>4,226</u>

The above payables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are normally settled within 90 days or on demand.

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9. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

As at the balance sheet date, the association has capital commitments amounting to \$25,529 (2010: Nil) in respect of contracted renovation expenditure which has not been provided for in the financial statements.

10. FINANCIAL RISKS MANAGEMENT

The association is exposed to financial risks arising from its operations and the use of financial instruments. The key financial risks are credit risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk. The board reviews and agrees on policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below:

(i) Credit risk

Credit risk is the potential risk of financial loss resulting from the failure of customers or other counterparties to settle their financial and contractual obligations to the association as and when they fall due.

The association's main financial assets consist of cash and cash equivalents. Cash and bank deposits are placed with financial institutions which are regulated.

At the balance sheet date, there was no significant concentration of credit risk. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset in the balance sheet.

There are no financial assets that are past due or impaired as at the balance sheet date.

(ii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the association will encounter difficulty in meeting financial obligations due to shortage of funds.

The association monitors its liquidity risk and maintains a level of cash and cash equivalents deemed adequate to finance the association's operations and to mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows.

All financial liabilities of the association are repayable on demand or mature within one year.

(iii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of the association's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

The association does not have any interest-bearing financial liabilities. Its only exposure to changes in interest rates relates to interest-earning bank deposits. The association monitors movements in interest rates to ensure deposits are placed with financial institutions offering optimal rates of return.

The interest rates and terms of maturity of financial assets of the association are disclosed in note 6 to the financial statements.

11. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, receivables and payables approximate their fair values due to their short term nature.

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12. RESERVES MANAGEMENT

The association's reserves management objective is to safeguard the association's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain an optimal reserve in order to support its operations and principal activities.

The Rebuild Programme Fund and Star Shelter General Fund are designated funds to be used only for specified purposes, as described in note 7 and note 1 respectively.

The association is not subject to externally imposed reserve requirements.

There were no changes to the association's approach to reserves management during the year.

13. AUTHORISATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were authorised for issue by the SCWO Board on 16 May 2011.

