



Sime Darby Property Provides 1,755 Students with Back-To-School Aid with Yayasan Sime Darby

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ARA DAMANSARA, **18 APRIL 2022** – Sime Darby Property Berhad ("Sime Darby Property"), in collaboration with Yayasan Sime Darby ("YSD"), has provided back-to-school aid to 1,755 students in Kuala Lumpur, Selangor, Negeri Sembilan and Johor. As its philanthropic arm, YSD partners with Sime Darby Property in areas of mutual interest under the foundation's five pillars namely Community & Health, Education, Sports, Arts & Culture and Environment.

The programme kicked off in February with the distribution of school bags and personal hygiene kits as well as vouchers to purchase school supplies to 647 students from four schools in Taman Melawati, Gombak, Kajang and Subang Jaya. The distribution of aid for the remaining students in Labu, Seremban, Pasir Gudang and Muar is underway.

"Education is one of YSD's largest focus areas and we are determined to continue our support for underprivileged students so they may concentrate on academics without worrying about school supplies. We are thankful to Sime Darby Property for its continuous support in ensuring the well-being of the community, as well as creating opportunities for our partnership to make a positive impact in its townships," said Dr. Yatela Zainal Abidin, Chief Executive Officer of YSD.

Sime Darby Property's Group Managing Director, Dato' Azmir Merican said, "We are committed to creating communities that are conducive for the growth of our future generations. Our collaborations with YSD centre on the same ideals and allow us to reach communities that can benefit from the assistance. We will continue to engage with our communities with meaningful activities that are beneficial for the children."

The YSD Back-To-School programme, which began in 2013, aims to alleviate the financial burden of B40 families by providing school supplies for their children. This initiative is part of Sime Darby





Property's Corporate Social Responsibility ("CSR") commitment with the support of more than 800 employee volunteers. The volunteers have also distributed care packages to 341 senior citizens, 120 orphaned children, 22 individuals with disabilities and 72 intellectually disabled orphans at nine charitable homes in the Klang Valley, in conjunction with the recent festive celebrations.

On top of providing these school supplies, YSD, through its ongoing flood relief initiatives, has extended support with the provision of computers and furniture to affected schools across Malaysia.

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About Yayasan Sime Darby (YSD)

Yayasan Sime Darby or Sime Darby Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Sime Darby Berhad, Sime Darby Plantation Berhad and Sime Darby Property Berhad. Established in 1982, the foundation revolves around five pillars which are Education, Environment, Community & Health, Sports, and Arts & Culture. Led by an independent Governing Council, the foundation is managed by a dedicated team who works closely with the 3 Sime Darby companies in areas of mutual interest. Since its inception, the foundation has expanded its wings from offering scholarships to outstanding and deserving individuals to funding impactful conservation, outreach and development programmes. For more information, visit www.yayasansimedarby.com.

About Sime Darby Property Berhad

Sime Darby Property is a leading property developer with a strong success rate of developing sustainable communities for 50 years. With 25 active townships/developments, Sime Darby Property has a wide reach that encompasses assets and operations across the country. It marks its presence in the UK as part of a Malaysian consortium to develop the iconic Battersea Power Station Project in central London.

As a responsible corporate player, Sime Darby Property and its philanthropic arm, Yayasan Sime Darby (YSD) actively implement various initiatives to assist underprivileged communities living within and nearby its townships. A multi award-winning property group with numerous international and local accolades, Sime Darby Property is a constituent of the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index with MSCI ESG Rating of BBB and is rated by the Carbon Disclosure Project.

Sime Darby Property is honoured to be recognised with numerous real estate industry awards throughout the years. In 2021, the Group continues to be recognised as a top property developer in 'The Edge Malaysia's Top Property Developers Awards', achieving the feat for the tenth year running. The Group was also named as 'EdgeProp Malaysia's Responsible Developer: Building Sustainable Development Award 2021', as well as the winner in PwC's 'Building Trust Awards 2021' under the FBM Mid 70 Index category.

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