

MEDIA ADVISORY

Supporting the Government through the Circuit Breaker Period

The Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry (SCCCI) has been supporting the Singapore government in many roles as the COVID-19 pandemic develops through different phases.

From 7 April 2020, the government has implemented Circuit Breaker measures alongside stricter enforcements to reduce the risk of further local transmission of COVID-19. Business entities and organisations providing essential services together with their supply chain continue to operate and serve fellow Singaporeans during this Circuit Breaker period.

In line with the government's COVID-19 Advisory on Wearing Mask, it is now essential to wear masks at all locations outside the home. The Council Members of SCCCI will take the lead in sourcing and donating 500,000 disposable surgical masks for Singapore Government's usage. These surgical masks will be handed over to the Ministry of Trade & Industry (MTI) to support the Multi-Ministry Taskforce's efforts in better managing the COVID-19 situation and ensuring business continuity of essential services.

SCCCI President Roland Ng said, "We appreciate the government's effort in providing very timely and unprecedented support measures to help businesses tide over this extraordinary period. By soliciting support from SCCCI Council Members through this surgical masks donation drive, the Chamber stands at the frontline of the crisis to supplement government's Circuit Breaker measures in minimising the risk of COVID-19 transmission so that Singapore and our enterprises can emerge stronger after the storm."

The SCCCI's donation of 500,000 surgical masks will be handed over to the Ministry of Trade & Industry by early May 2020.

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About Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Established in 1906, the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry (SCCCI) is an internationally renowned business organisation and the apex body of the Chinese business community in Singapore. It is the founder of the biennial World Chinese Entrepreneurs Convention, a global business convention. It plays a key and pro-active role in representing the interests of the local business community. In its continued drive for service excellence, the SCCC has become the first business chamber in the region to be awarded ISO 9001 certification since 1995. In 2018, the Chamber successfully upgraded its ISO certification to ISO 9001:2015.

The SCCC has a membership network comprising 5,000 corporate members and has more than 160 trade association members, representing over 40,000 companies including large financial and business organisations, multinational corporations, government-linked companies, and small and medium enterprises from a wide spectrum of trades and industries. These members together provide vast resources and opportunities which enable the SCCC to develop an influential global Chinese business network for business, education, culture and community development. In return, they share a strong sense of pride and identity together and benefit immensely from the SCCC's membership services, facilities and activities.