Title: Jamiyah Halfway House transformed this family’s rental home to become brand new
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SINGAPORE: Hari Raya Haji and National Day celebrations for the family of Ms Nur Erica Medinah Jaafar and her husband, Encik Husin was sweeter than previous years due to help received from ‘Project Happiness’ by Jamiyah Halfway House (Darul Islah), sponsored by Tan Chin Tuan Foundation. Even in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, help was still rendered to make the one-room rental flat for the family of five look more radiant.

New home furnishings and items were sponsored under Darul Islah Jamiyah’s Project Happiness. Ms Erica's family was the only family selected to receive assistance worth around $1,500 for the latest edition of the project.

"I am very excited, happy and grateful for all this help. It is my first time receiving such help," she said.

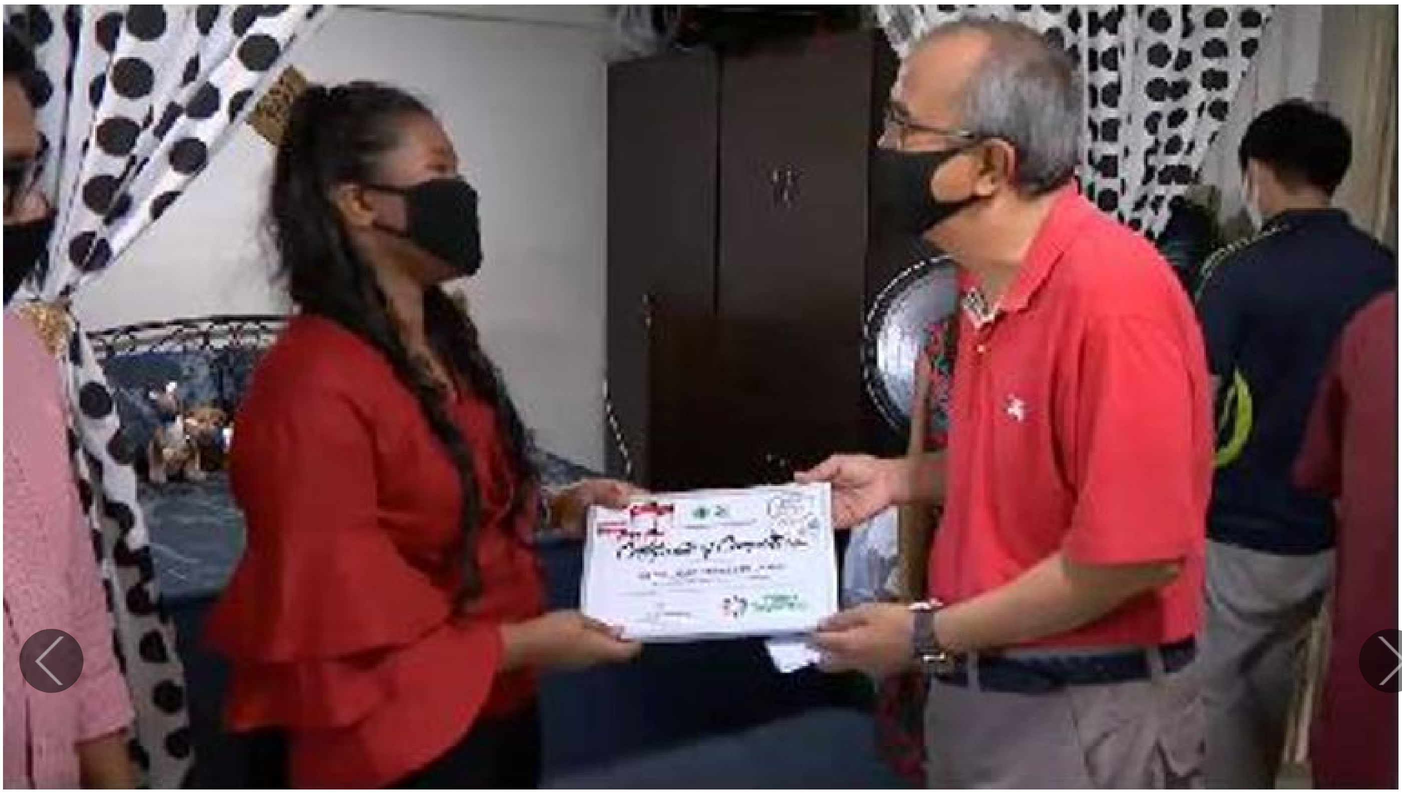
However, Jamiyah's efforts were more challenging this year. Unlike previous editions where Jamiyah had up to one week to transform the home of the beneficiary, this time due to COVID-19, it was reduced to one day. Therefore the project had to be adapted accordingl to the added security measures.

"We did not clean or paint Ms Erica's house and we did not involve the current residents of Jamiyah Halfway House. Instead, we involved the energy and skills of our alumni to carry out the project," said Jamiyah Halfway House (Darul Islah) Head, Mohamad Faizal Abas.

Jamiyah's ability to change their operations according to current needs was praised by Southeast CDC Mayor Mohd Fahmi Aliman.

He hopes that it will be a good example that assistance to the community can still be continued even during this difficult period.

He said, "I think this is a good initiative to collaborate with different partners and move together to help more communities regardless of race or religion."



Penghuni rumah tumpangan Darul Islah wujudkan 'rumah baru' bagi keluarga flat sewa ini

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SINGAPURA: Sambutan Hari Raya Haji dan Hari Kebangsaan bagi keluarga Cik Nur Erica Medinah Jaafar dan suaminya, Encik Husin, lebih manis lagi tahun ini selepas rumah mereka menerima satu "suntikan kesegaran", hasil Projek Kebahagiaan Jamiyah Darul Islah.

Meskipun inisiatif berkenaan dijayakan di tengah-tengah pandemik COVID-19, ia tidak menghambat usaha untuk membuat flat sewa satu bilik bagi keluarga lima beranak itu tampak lebih berseri.

Kelengkapan rumah yang baru dengan barangan baru ditaja di bawah Projek Kebahagiaan Darul Islah Jamiyah. Ini selepas keluarga Cik Erica adalah satu-satunya keluarga dipilih mendapat bantuan bernilai sekitar $1,500 bagi edisi terkini projek tersebut.

"Saya sangat teruja, gembira dan saya sangat bersyukur atas semua bantuan ini. Saya juga pertama kali menerima bantuan begini," katanya.

Namun begitu, usaha murni Jamiyah itu lebih mencabar tahun ini kerana jika dalam edisi-edisi sebelum ini, Jamiyah punya masa sehingga seminggu untuk mengubah elok rumah penerima bantuan, kali ini ia hanya ada sehari saja kerana COVID-19.

Lantaran itu, pendekatan projek berkenaan terpaksa disesuaikan mengikut langkah-langkah keselamatan sedia ada.

"Kami tidak membuat pembersihan rumah atau mengecat rumah Puan Erica dan juga kita tidak melibatkan penghuni Rumah Tumpangan Jamiyah yang ada sekarang. Sebaliknya, kita melibatkan tenaga dan kemahiran para alumni kami untuk melaksanakan tugas projek ini," kata Ketua Darul Islah Jamiyah Mohd Faizal Abas.

Kemampuan Jamiyah mengubah operasi mengikut keperluan semasa sebegini dipuji Datuk Bandar CDC Tenggara Mohd Fahmi Aliman.

Beliau berharap ia menjadi contoh baik bahawa bantuan kepada masyarakat masih dapat diteruskan walaupun dalam tempoh sukar ini.

Beliau berkata: "Saya rasa ini adalah inisiatif yang bagus dari asas yang mana kita boleh menggabungkan semua inisiatif-inisiatif ini dan kita boleh gerakkan bersama di mana kita boleh membantu lebih ramai masyarakat tidak kira bangsa atau agama."

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