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**Ivorycares brings festive joy to senior citizens this Chinese New Year**

**GEORGE TOWN:** The seven elderly residents of the Gan En Zhi Jia Home for the Senior Citizens in Penang were recently treated to their first proper steamboat dinner in conjunction with this Chinese New Year celebration.

They were all smiles and excited as they tossed the yee sang before tucking into their scrumptious dinner prepared by the volunteers of Ivorycares, the charitable arm of Ivory Properties Group Berhad.

The volunteers had visited the home in Lengkok P. Ramlee on Feb 16 to also hand over RM5,000 worth of daily essential items such as groceries, cooking essentials, adult diapers and various household supplies.

Ivorycares vice president Winnie Yeoh said they wanted to do their part to bring festive cheer to the home's senior citizens this Chinese New Year.

"We had asked the staff of Ivory Properties to contribute and the response has been fascinating.

"They showed their support through monetary donations which were used to purchase the daily essential items," she said, adding that they also presented 'ang pow' to the senior citizens.

Mary Cheng, the home's supervisor, said the residents clearly enjoyed themselves and were very happy to see the volunteers who came to visit.

"We are thankful for the generous contributions by Ivorycares and the staff of Ivory Properties.

"We are always in need of sponsors and volunteers for the home's upkeep," she said.

She added that the home's expenses came up to RM8,000 a month, including RM1,200 to rent the single-storey house in which the residents are occupying.

The home is also in need of RM70,000 to purchase a van to bring the residents for outings and medical check-ups.

Established in 2004, Gan En Zhi Jia is a non-profit organisation which provides shelter and care for senior citizens who are aged 65 and above, single and homeless. The oldest resident there now is 91 years old.



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Currently there are four full-time employees and one volunteer to care for the residents who are kept busy daily with handiwork, group outings and recreation activities.

For those who would like to extend support to the home, call 04-282 6389 or 012-563 2127 or visit the home at No. 30, Lengkok P. Ramlee, 10460 Penang.

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