

LOUIS NG KOK KWANG

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I believe in the importance of engaging, empowering, inspiring and mobilising people to make a positive difference in the community. As we move towards SG100, I also believe in the importance of building upon and strengthening our pioneers' values that helped to shape and make Singapore the successful country we are today.



Summary of Statement

Core family values of honesty, integrity and compassion have been imparted to me since young. These are important values that I practice and also impart to my young daughter.

I dedicated the last fourteen years of my life to establishing and leading a charity. And in the past seven years, I also served as a grassroots volunteer. My involvements in both arenas have given me significant experience in engaging, empowering, inspiring and mobilising people.

I have learnt a lot from the advocacy community and grassroots leaders on the importance of serving the community and helping to shape public policies.

Using the experiences I have gained, I would like to do even more for the community in many more ways and help revive and strengthen the “Kampong Spirit” amongst Singaporeans.

About Louis Ng

Louis Ng, 36, is the Chief Executive of ACRES (Animal Concerns Research and Education Society), a charity he founded when he was an undergraduate in 2001. He oversees the organisation, which focuses on fostering a spirit of volunteerism and working with the community to address animal welfare issues.

Upon his graduation in 2002, Louis began his career at ACRES, leading the organisation from a volunteer-run organisation to one with an annual revenue of over S\$1 million in 2014.

Louis has been a member of the Animal Welfare Legislation Review Committee and the Multi-Stakeholder Collaboration Committee since 2012, where he assisted in drafting the new animal protection legislation in Singapore.

Since 2008, Louis has been volunteering in Nee Soon. From 2009 to 2014, Louis served in Chong Pang grassroots organization, under Minister K Shanmugam. He was a member of both the Youth Executive Committee and Community Club Management Committee. He assisted in organising events aimed at engaging youth. From 2014 to 2015, he also helped Minister Tan Chuan-Jin in Kembangan-Chai Chee and served in the Citizens' Consultative Committee, engaging the community and strengthening community spirit. In January 2015, he understudied Mr. Charles Chong at Joo Chiat before heading to Nee Soon East at the start of August 2015.

Louis received the Advocate of the Year award in the inaugural Singapore Advocacy Awards in 2014. He also received the Inaugural Yahoo! Singapore 9 award in 2011, which recognises nine Singaporeans who made a significant difference to society in the past year. He was also awarded The Outstanding Young Persons of Singapore Award in 2007 and the HSBC/ NYAA (National Youth Achievement Award) Environmental Award in 2002.

After receiving his early education at St. Gabriel's Secondary School and Catholic Junior College, Louis obtained a degree in Biology at the National University of Singapore and a Masters in Primate Conservation at the Oxford Brookes University.

Louis served as a Commando Fighter in the 1st Commando Battalion during his national service and in the 10th Commando Battalion during his reservist. As a commando, it has been ingrained in him to never give up and to always be prepared to serve and defend Singapore at all costs, if the need ever arises.

Louis believes in the importance of making a positive difference, and giving more than receiving. He has dedicated his life towards serving the community and treasures the various opportunities he has been given.

In addition to volunteering, Louis enjoys jogging, going to the gym, reading, travelling, and wildlife watching.