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**IFLA & UNITED NATIONS
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS
(UN SDGs)**

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IFLA & UN SDGs

Information for Development: Why Access Matters Across the SDGs?



TARGET 1.4
By 2030, ensure that all men and women, in particular the poor and the vulnerable, have equal rights to economic resources, as well as **access to basic services** (...).

TARGET 2.3
By 2030, double the agricultural productivity and incomes of small-scale food producers, in particular women, indigenous peoples, family farmers, pastoralists and fishers, including through secure and **equal access to (...) knowledge** (...).

TARGET 2.5
Adopt measures to ensure the proper functioning of food commodity markets and their derivatives and facilitate timely **access to market information** (...).

TARGET 3.4
By 2030, reduce by one third premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being.

TARGET 3.7
Ensure **universal access** to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, **information and education** (...).

TARGET 3.D
Strengthen the capacity of all countries, in particular developing countries, for **early warning**, risk reduction and management of natural and global health risks.

TARGET 4.4
By 2030, substantially increase the number of youth and adults who have **relevant skills**, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs and entrepreneurship.

TARGET 5.8
Enhance the **use of enabling technology**, in particular **information and communications technology**, to promote the empowerment of women.

TARGET 8.2
Achieve higher levels of economic productivity through diversification, technological upgrading and **innovation** (...).

TARGET 8.3
Promote development-oriented policies that support productive activities, **decent job creation**, **entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation** (...).

TARGET 8.5
Enhance **scientific research** (...) encouraging innovation and substantially increasing the number of research and development workers (...).

TARGET 9.C
Significantly increase **access to information and communications technology** and strive to provide **universal and affordable access to the Internet** in least developed countries by 2020.

TARGET 10.2
By 2030, **empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all**, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status.

TARGET 11.4
Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world's **cultural and natural heritage**.

TARGET 11.8
By 2020, substantially increase the number of cities and human settlements adopting and implementing integrated policies and plans towards **inclusion, resource efficiency, mitigation and adaptation to climate change, resilience to disasters** (...).

TARGET 13.3
Improve education, **awareness-raising** and human and institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction and early warning.

TARGET 16.10
Ensure public **access to information** and protect fundamental freedoms, in accordance with national legislation and international agreements.

TARGET 17.6
Enhance North-South, South-South and triangular regional and international cooperation on and **access to science, technology and innovation** and enhance knowledge-sharing on mutually agreed terms (...).

TARGET 17.8
(...) enhance the use of enabling technology, in particular **information and communications technology**.

TARGET 1.4

EQUAL RIGHTS TO OWNERSHIP, BASIC SERVICES, TECHNOLOGY AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES

TARGET 2.3

DOUBLE THE PRODUCTIVITY AND INCOMES OF SMALL-SCALE FOOD PRODUCERS

TARGET 3.7

UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE CARE, FAMILY PLANNING AND EDUCATION

TARGET 3.C

INCREASE HEALTH FINANCING AND SUPPORT HEALTH WORKFORCE IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

TARGET 3.D

IMPROVE EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS FOR GLOBAL HEALTH RISKS

TARGET 4.3

EQUAL ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE TECHNICAL, VOCATIONAL AND HIGHER EDUCATION

TARGET 4.4

INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH RELEVANT SKILLS FOR FINANCIAL SUCCESS

TARGET 4.6

UNIVERSAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY

TARGET 4.7

EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

TARGET 5.8

PROMOTE EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN THROUGH TECHNOLOGY

TARGET 8.3

PROMOTE POLICIES TO SUPPORT JOB CREATION AND GROWING ENTERPRISES

TARGET 8.6

PROMOTE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING

TARGET 9.C

UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

TARGET 10.2

PROMOTE UNIVERSAL SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL INCLUSION

TARGET 11.4

PROTECT THE WORLD'S CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE

TARGET 11.7

PROVIDE ACCESS TO SAFE AND INCLUSIVE GREEN AND PUBLIC SPACES

TARGET 12.8

PROMOTE UNIVERSAL UNDERSTANDING OF SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES

TARGET 13.3

BUILD KNOWLEDGE AND CAPACITY TO MEET CLIMATE CHANGE

TARGET 14.A

INCREASE SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE, RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY FOR OCEAN HEALTH

TARGET 16.10

ENSURE PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND PROTECT FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS

TARGET 17.8

STRENGTHEN THE SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION CAPACITY FOR LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

LIBRARY MAP OF THE WORLD

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LIBRARY DATA

135

countries



SDG STORIES

56

stories



COUNTRY
PROFILES

28

countries



SDG STORIES

Stories about library activities, projects and programmes and their **impact** on people's lives and communities that **contribute to achievement of the UN SDGs**.

Requirements and guides for the stories:

[SDG Storytelling Manual](#)

[SDG Storytelling Flowchart](#)

Submit information for your own story:

bit.ly/submit-for-sdg-story

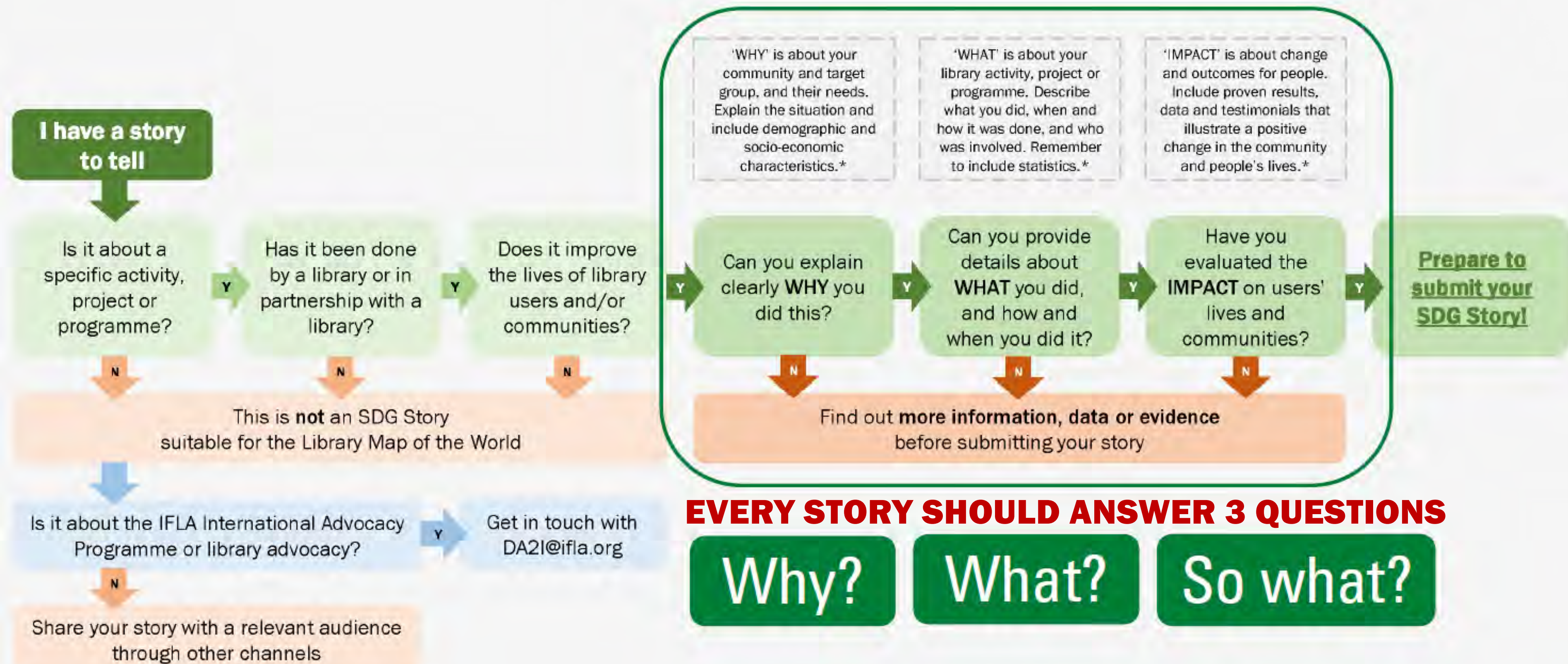


SDG Storytelling Flowchart

How to know if you are ready to submit your story to the Library Map of the World

An SDG Story is a narrative about an activity, project or programme, implemented by a library or in partnership with a library, to the benefit of library users and communities. It addresses a problem or challenge, and contributes to local, regional or national development needs.

Does your story fit the criteria? Answer **Yes** or **No** to the questions below:



EXPLORE SDG STORIES ON THE LIBRARY MAP WEBSITE

Search by country or click on the Map to find stories from your country. Choose the SDG to see relevant stories.

We have stories for all 17 SDGs.



EXAMPLES OF SDG STORIES

India



Relevant SDGs




Share this story: 


MOBILE LIBRARY INCREASES RURAL STUDENTS' ENGAGEMENT BY PROVIDING ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY AND LEARNING RESOURCES




Philippines



Relevant SDGs



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LIBRARY'S OUTREACH PROGRAMME PROVIDES GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES TO STREET CHILDREN



Australia



Relevant SDGs



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CONNECTING GENERATIONS TO BUILD TECHNOLOGY SKILLS AT THE LIBRARY



Malaysia



Relevant SDGs



Share this story: 

READING SEEDS PROGRAMME PROVIDES EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND INCREASES READING RATE



Sri Lanka



Relevant SDGs



Share this story: 

NATIONAL LIBRARY FACILITATES SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME TO HELP CITIZENS ACQUIRE SKILLS FOR EMPLOYMENT



China



Relevant SDGs



Share this story: 

NEIGHBOURHOOD LIBRARIES IN PEOPLE'S HOMES PROMOTES READING AND COMMUNITY INTEGRATION



Singapore



Relevant SDGs



Share this story: 

KIDSREAD EMPOWERS CHILDREN FROM LOWER-INCOME FAMILIES WITH ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS



LIBRARIES & SUSTAINABILITY

#Examples

IFLA ENSULIB - ENVIRONMENT, SUSTAINABILITY & LIBRARIES

Section was formed officially in August 2021.

Guided by the UNSDG, Paris Climate Agreement and related environment programmes, the Section aims to encourage librarians to inspire communities into more environmentally sustainable way of action, by providing materials on green librarianship, giving voices to green librarians and library projects worldwide. The Section also offers discussion forums, meetings and webinar series regarding sustainability issues.

ENSULIB brings together those who are interested in and responsible for sustainability in all areas of libraries and librarianship, following IFLA's statement "Sustainability is Libraries' Business".



IFLA GREEN LIBRARY AWARD & BEST GREEN LIBRARY PROJECT

Libraries are recognised for their sustainability efforts through various awards. For example, the National Library Board, Singapore and the Médiathèque de la Canopée-la Fontaine, France's sustainability efforts were highlighted and recognised this year.

IFLA Best Green Library Project 2022

France, Paris, Médiathèque de la Canopée-la fontaine: [“La Médiathèque de la Canopée: A Pilot Library for Sustainable Development for the Parisian Network”](#)

- Dedicated to **urban and digital** cultures with a special focus on the **deaf public**.
- Sustainability-themed activities in collaboration with the Paris Académie du Climat and publish a monthly guide.
- New category *Ecologie* in its collection.
- New services such as gardening and a **seed library** for patrons to exchange seeds.

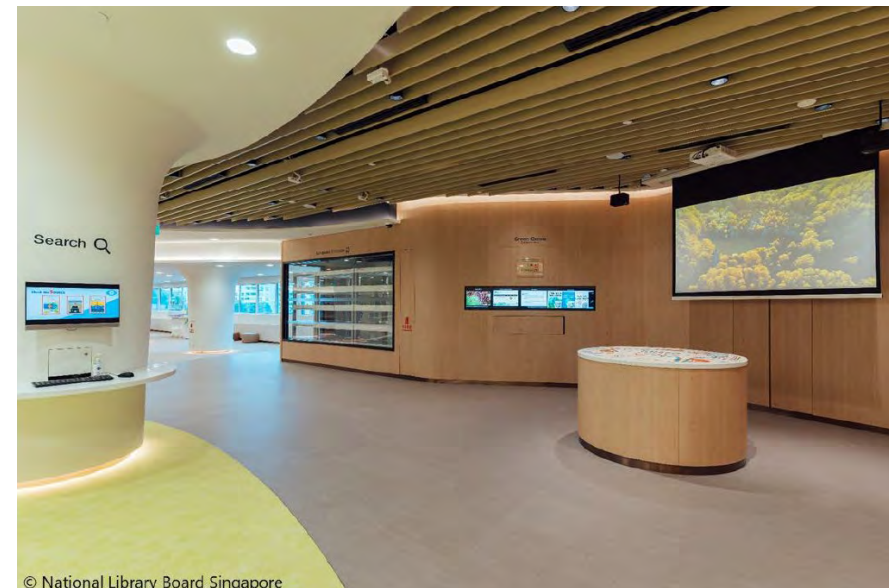


IFLA GREEN LIBRARY AWARD & BEST GREEN LIBRARY PROJECT

IFLA Green Library Award 2022

National Library Board, Singapore: [“Revamp of Choa Chu Kang Public Library”](#)

- **Green Grove**, a curated corner that cultivates environmental awareness and literacy, through a **Hydroponics Showcase** and a **Climate Action Corner** and **Live-Statistics Display** that offers information on climate change, weather forecasts, and nature-related news, events, and e-book recommendations.



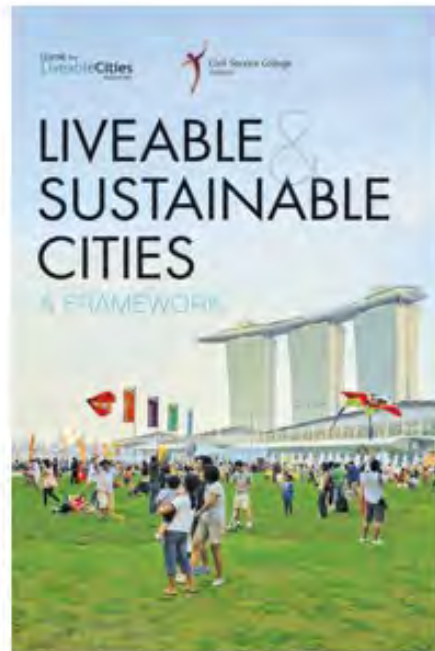
- **Sustainable materials** used for interior works.
- Sustainability-focused **content** and **programmes**.
- **Community Wall** displays both historical and modern-day information unique to the neighbourhood.
- Commissioned **art installations** to raise awareness of various sustainability issues.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

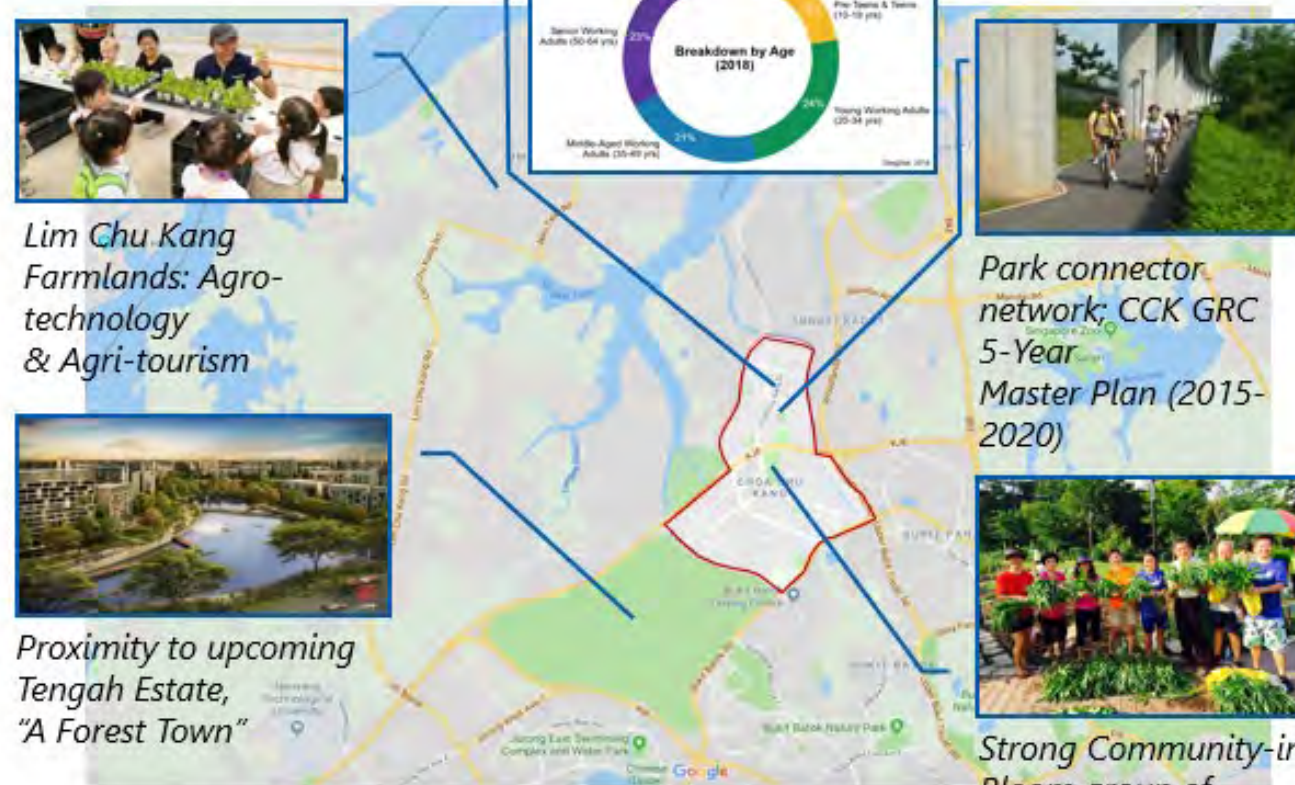
Theme: (Re)Connect with Nature



Choa Chu Kang's Farming Heritage



CLC's Liveable City Outcomes



Lim Chu Kang Farmlands: Agro-technology & Agri-tourism

Proximity to upcoming Tengah Estate, "A Forest Town"

Park connector network; CCK GRC 5-Year Master Plan (2015-2020)

Strong Community-in-Bloom group of garden enthusiasts at Choa Chu Kang Park

Choa Chu Kang in the Present Day

Choa Chu Kang Public Library was closed for revamp in 2019, and reopened in **October 2021** with an expanded space from 2320 to 3000 sqm and adding another floor to the existing space.

As a neighbourhood library, it is themed **(Re)Connect with Nature**, the design approach to the library is guided by the historical significance of *Choa Chu Kang* being surrounded by various plantations and farms, and the context in its present day gearing towards the concept of nature, livability and sustainability.

The Theme

The development of the theme aimed to,

- Reignite interest in the concept of sustainable living
- Recollect importance of nature in everyday life to improve one's well-being
- Sustain the vision of Singapore as a garden city.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Theme: (Re)Connect with Nature

LAYOUT PLAN

- 01 24-hour Lobby & Exhibit area
- 02 Adult Collection (Popular Non-Fiction)
- 03 Adults Collection (General Non-Fiction, EN Fiction)
- 04 Languages Collection
- 05 Singapore Collection
- 06 Young Adult Collection & Reading Area
- 07 Older Children Collection
- 08 Programme rooms
- 09 Study Lounge & MMS
- 10 Green Grove Area
- 11 Reading Lounge
- 12 Story Telling Area
- 13 Early Literacy Collection
- 14 JP Collection
- 15 Parenting Collection
- 16 Indoor Courtyard Garden



Level 4



Level 5

The Design Approach & Objectives

- **Inspire** and be a **catalyst** for the Choa Chu Kang community to *(re)connect with nature* through learning about nature, liveability and sustainable living
- **Activate learning spaces** in the library to cater to changing lifestyle needs through services, programmes, collection and other learning resources to inculcate an interest in greenery
- Combined elements of **design and technology** to provide an *immersive, multi-sensory reading and learning experience* through its unique installations
- Reflect nature in its *design language* through the use of elements, fixtures, form, colours and materials.

Overall Layout

- The library expands to a floor area of **3,000 sqm** in LotOne Shoppers' Mall, Choa Chu Kang
- *Level 4* is now catered to Adults, Seniors, Teens and Older Children (7-12 years); while *Level 5* is catered to Parents and Young Children (0-6 years) and a new Indoor Garden.

THE REVAMP OF CHOA CHU KANG PUBLIC LIBRARY



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