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Fact sheet on the new Rehabilitation Centre in Jurong Point Shopping Centre

Handicaps Welfare Association (HWA) hopes to raise at least \$300,000 from the Wheel, Walk or Jog event to finance its new Rehabilitation Centre that will be established in Jurong Point Shopping Centre by the end of this year. This is to meet the increasing demand for rehabilitation therapy by people with disabilities and the elderly living in the Western region. It will also be the first centre outside the premises of HWA's headquarters at 16 Whampoa Drive.

HWA member Mr Lim Tow Kin is excited about the upcoming Jurong Point Rehabilitation Centre. The 52 year old, who used to work as a coffee shop attendant, suffered a Stroke in 2002 and has limited mobility since. He depends on his caregiver, who is also his wife, to bring him to HWA for physical therapy twice a week. The couple resides in Boon Lay, and relies on HWA Transport vehicle to ferry them to the Association.

“When the new Rehabilitation Centre opens, it will be so much more convenient for us to go for physical therapy sessions. It will only be a short distance away from my house and I can wheel him there.” said Mrs Lim.

Mr Lim is one of the 347 HWA members living in the West area, who will benefit from the new Rehabilitation Centre. Many of these members, like Mr Lim, will save at least \$32 to \$40 a month on transport fees to the Association for their therapy sessions.

The Jurong Point Rehabilitation Centre will be open for both HWA members and the public, and it will also have a special section catered to the rehabilitation needs of children with various disabilities.
