



CAMPUS WITH A CONSCIENCE

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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to be sharing with you the latest Campus With A Conscience e-Bulletin.

Thank you to those who have been continuously contributing to the sustainability efforts across Sunway College and Sunway University.

The latest bulletin covers the sustainability efforts of clubs & societies, schools and departments from all across our #MostHappeningCampus.

This month's edition leads with Sunway University achieving a global ranking of #81 out of 2,318 universities in the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings 2025, a dramatic rise from last year's 201–300 band. This positions the University among the world's top universities in advancing the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in 2025.

In addition, the Sunway Desa Mentari Community Development Programme has helped transform the community of more than 26,000 residents, where households earn less than RM5,000, into resilient communities through various youth skills development programmes.

Thank you for taking your time to read through the CWAC eBulletin and please do feel free to share our Campus With A Conscience updates with all your family, friends and associates.

Sunway University soars to #81 in THE Impact Rankings 2025

17 June 2025



We are proud to announce that Sunway University ranks among the world's top universities in advancing the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in 2025.

Sunway University has achieved a landmark global ranking of #81 out of 2,318 universities in the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings 2025, a dramatic rise from last year's 201–300 band. This position placed the University firmly among the world's leading institutions, driving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The 2025 edition is the most competitive to date, with over 2,300 participating institutions. The University's rise is one of the most notable leaps globally and reflects the university's whole-of-institution commitment to sustainability, societal responsibility, and global engagement.

This year, Sunway University submitted data for six SDGs and was ranked in the global Top 100 for all six, including five in the Top 50 and two in the Top 25:

- **SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth – #20**
- **SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals – #22**
- **SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy – #31**
- **SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities – #30**
- **SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation – #50**
- **SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production – #78**

Prof. Dr Sibrandes Poppema, President of Sunway University, commended the achievement as a major institutional milestone:

“This ranking reflects the deep integration of sustainability into our university’s DNA. It is the result of a collective vision that was shared by our students, academics, and partners to build a future where education drives meaningful impact. I’m immensely proud of our progress and even more inspired by what lies ahead.”

The THE Impact Rankings are the only global performance tables that assess universities against the full range of the SDGs, using a unique methodology that evaluates research output, stewardship, outreach, and teaching.

Sunway University’s performance highlights the success of targeted initiatives such as the Campus With A Conscience movement, expanding global partnerships, and its growing reputation as a sustainability-driven, innovation-led institution.

“This recognition encourages us to go further,” added Prof. Poppema. “We are not only committed to climbing rankings but also committed to transforming lives, societies, and the planet through our academic mission.”

To explore the THE Impact Rankings 2025 and Sunway University’s profile, visit the link below:

[THE Impact Rankings 2025](#)

Sunway University's Desa Mentari Project featured in The Sun 17 June 2025



When Professor Dr Mahendhiran Sanggaran Nair, currently Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research and Sustainability) at Sunway University, first visited the Desa Mentari flats known as Project Perumahan Rakyat (PPR), occupied by residents from the B-40 community, his first thoughts were to transform the community through student-led initiatives.

Over three years, from 2022, the public housing scheme, located along the Federal Highway in Klang Valley, has been part of a community initiative led by 1,800 Sunway University students. They are supported by the Tan Sri Sir Dr Jeffrey Cheah Foundation. Community service has also successfully been embedded into the course curriculum for the university.

“The Sunway students are privileged to receive a good education. However, I believe with privilege comes responsibility, and with their education and opportunities, they too can make a difference in improving the lives of vulnerable and disadvantaged communities, especially when they are located so close to Sunway University,” he said.

Fast forward to 2025, the Sunway Desa Mentari Community Development Programme today has helped transform the community of more than 26,000 residents, where households earn less than RM5,000, into resilient communities through various youth skills development programmes.

Plans for equipping children and youth with ICT skills, financial literacy, language communication, culinary arts and food safety, basic coding and AI literacy will ensure their confidence and self-esteem improve with time.

Waves of Change by Victoria University Business Club

21 May 2025

On the 3rd of May 2025, 17 student members of the Victoria University Business Club (VUBC) came together for a beach clean-up at Pantai Bagan Pinang, Port Dickson.



Recognising the alarming litter problem that threatens the natural biodiversity, coastal ecosystem and the health of marine life, the team dedicated two hours to collecting waste along the shoreline. Their efforts resulted in the removal of 12 bags of trash, totalling approximately 20 kilograms of waste.

This initiative is aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) No. 3 (Good Health and Well-being), No.13 (Climate Action), and No. 14 (Life Below Water).



The effort is an on-going reflection of VUBC team's passionate commitment to environmental sustainability and community well-being as well as fostering a deep sense of social responsibility and camaraderie among club members.

VUBC hopes to continue organising similar events and continue their efforts to make a meaningful difference through their club activities to create a better future for all.

The future of medicine: bridging sustainability and healthcare systems

30 May 2025



The Faculty of Medical and Life Sciences (FMLS) recently held a compelling session titled *"The Future of Medicine: Bridging Sustainability and Healthcare Systems"* on 30th May 2025, from 10:30am to 12:30pm at Jeffrey Square, Level 11.



The event welcomed Professor Nick Watts, *Director of the Centre for Sustainable Medicine* at the National University of Singapore, who shared insightful perspectives on integrating sustainability into modern healthcare. Using the UK's National Health System (NHS) as a case study, Professor Watts illustrated effective strategies to reduce the medical field's carbon footprint.



Renowned for his work in establishing Net Zero Healthcare Systems, Professor Watts encouraged the audience to reimagine medicine not only as a practice of healing people but also as a powerful avenue to protect our planet.



The session ignited thoughtful dialogue among students, academics, and healthcare professionals, further affirming FMLS's dedication to cultivating a new generation of environmentally conscious and future-ready medical leaders.

Promoting community health & environmental sustainability

10 June 2025



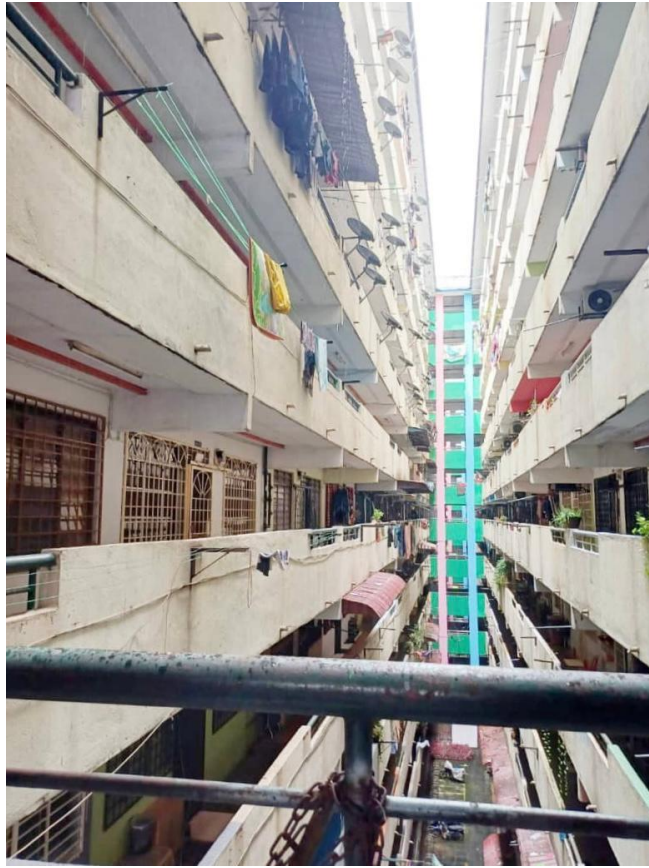
A meaningful site visit was conducted today at Desa Mentari as part of the ongoing Sunway University Desa Mentari Research Project, which focuses on enhancing water quality for underserved communities.

The project aims to assess water quality and examine its direct impact on community health, while simultaneously fostering awareness and encouraging sustainable practices for long-term solutions.

This initiative supports several key United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- **SDG 3 – Good Health & Well-being**
- **SDG 6 – Clean Water & Sanitation**
- **SDG 11 – Sustainable Cities & Communities**
- **SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals**

It also reflects Sunway University's strong commitment to the Planetary Health movement, highlighting the vital connection between human well-being and environmental health. Through community engagement, evidence-based research, and cross-sector collaboration, the project aims to drive meaningful impact, enhancing both quality of life and ecosystem resilience.



This effort represents a collective step towards a healthier, more sustainable world, one community at a time.

MUFY “Sharity” Fiesta raises RM11,500 for Rumah Kanak-Kanak Trinit

6 June 2025

The MUFY Student Committee and staff successfully organised the MUFY “Sharity” Fiesta on 14 and 15 April 2025, raising an impressive RM11,500 in support of Rumah Kanak-Kanak Trinit. The home provides care, shelter, and support for orphaned, abused, neglected, and abandoned children, helping them lead healthier, more fulfilling lives.



Held at The Boulevard, the MUFY “Sharity” Fiesta featured a vibrant mix of food stalls, games, and merchandise booths. Sunway students and staff enjoyed two days of fun while contributing to a meaningful cause. The festive atmosphere and strong community spirit were a testament to the event’s impact.



On 3 May 2025, the MUFY staff and Student Committee paid a visit to Rumah Kanak-Kanak Trinitati. They spent the day engaging with the children through games and interactive activities and also gained valuable insight into the incredible work carried out by the home. It was a heartwarming and unforgettable experience for everyone involved. Special thanks to Black Tap, Sunway Resort for providing a scrumptious lunch to the children and staff of the home.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to our Co-Donor, Kyochoon Chicken, and all our generous sponsors for their meaningful contributions in making the MUFY “Sharity” Fiesta and our community outreach a resounding success.



Special thanks also go to the dedicated organising committee for their tireless efforts and commitment in ensuring a memorable and impactful event.



Spreading kindness during Ramadan with #CampusWithAConscience
25 March 2025



Led by the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management, In the spirit of love, kindness, and togetherness this Ramadan, Sunway University came together to prepare and distribute 'bubur lambuk' to 500 individuals across various communities.

As part of our #CampusWithAConscience initiative, the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management led this meaningful effort, with the support of Y.B. Puan Michelle Ng Mei Sze, ADUN of Subang Jaya, and our CEO, Professor Dato' Elizabeth Lee, Chief Executive Officer of Sunway Education Group. Their presence and encouragement reinforced the importance of giving back and fostering a strong community spirit.

A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated school members and students who poured their time and effort into preparing this traditional Ramadan porridge, which was shared with multiple communities, including Masjid Al-Irsyad, Surau Al-Muhajirin, Surau Shafiee, Angsana, Meranti, Goodyear Court 2, and Surau Al-Hijrah.

We would also like to express our gratitude to Jasmine Food Corporation Sdn Bhd for their generous sponsorship of the rice, helping us make this initiative possible.

May this act of giving inspire more kindness and generosity this holy month!

Uncovering truths through forensic science

22 June 2025

At our recent #CampusWithAConscience session, we explored the fascinating world of forensic science with Professor Faridah Mohd Nor, Professor of Pathology at the Sir Jeffrey Cheah Sunway Medical School.

With over 20 years of experience, she shared how forensic anthropology uncovers truths hidden in bones, helping solve crimes, identify victims, and deliver justice.

Thank you, Professor Faridah, for an eye-opening session!





Sunway MUFY community makes a paw-sitive impact

10 March 2025

Making a paw-sitive impact! MUFY Student Council & MUFY Sunway KL staff & students raised RM3,000 to support PAWS Animal Welfare Society! Every little effort counts in giving these furry friends a better life. Thank you to everyone who contributed!

You can make a difference too! Support your local animal shelters and spread the love.



Riang Rasa Mentari at Sunway Desa Mentari

25 March 2025

Sunway Business School was recently part of a special community project called “Riang Rasa Mentari” at Sunway Desa Mentari, along with School of Mathematical Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, and School of Medical and Life Sciences on 22 March 2025.

It was a fun-filled day with various activities for the children of Sunway Desa Mentari, including a plethora of mathematics games courtesy of School of Mathematical Sciences, coloring activities, and a vibrant ‘wayang kulit’ performance carried out by students from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Thanks to both schools for making it a memorable experience for these young and brilliant minds.

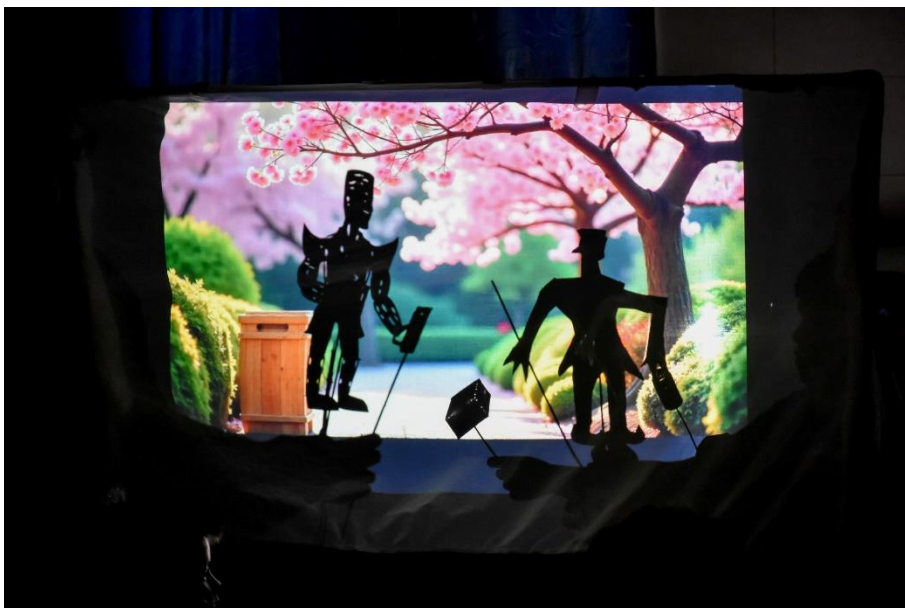
The highlight of the day was the Bubur Lambuk Initiative led by our very own SBS students. Over 60 kilograms of this savoury porridge concoction was prepared from scratch, cooked on the spot, and distributed generously to hundreds of residents, passersby, and motorists.

A big shoutout to the Sunway Desa Mentari Community Development Programme for an incredible day at Riang Rasa Mentari. From engaging activities to heartwarming community moments, this initiative truly showcased the power of collaboration. We look forward to working together for more events like this in the near future.









Climate Literacy Training by Yunus Social Business Centre
24 June 2025



Sunway Business School recently hosted the Climate Literacy Training — a three-part programme developed to strengthen climate knowledge and action among academic professionals on 18 June 2025.

Delivered by certified trainers Assoc. Prof. Stephen Thomas Homer, Dr Marc Weissmann, and Dr Cindy Chuah, this initiative is grounded in the Carbon Literacy for Academics framework by the Carbon Literacy Project.

