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DIVISION OF AGEING

**TREASURED
CITIZENS OF
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO 2022**

**National
Centenarian
Programme**



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Senator the Honourable Donna Cox

Minister of Social
Development and Family
Services

Highlighting our Centenarians 2022

The Ministry of Social Development and Family Services re-launched its Centenarian Programme in 2021, to recognize and honour citizens who achieved the milestone of 100 years and more. Since then, the Ministry has paid tribute to eighty-eight (88) centenarians across multiple locations in Trinidad and Tobago.

We at the Ministry believe that not only are our centenarians a living linkage to our past, but to have lived this long is a privilege both for themselves, their families and their communities. We hold firm to the view that growing older is a precious treasure that takes shape in the journey of every man and woman's life, whatever their origins, background, economic or social conditions. It is for this reason that the Government of Trinidad and Tobago appreciates and lauds the spirit, inspiration, and endurance represented by our nation's oldest citizens.

In 2022, we took the opportunity to highlight some of the nuggets of their wisdom our centenarians have acquired over the years, wisdom



which has guided their lives, and which they have shared with us during our celebrations in their honour.

Mr. Joseph Maynard (Age 101)

“Be respectful, peaceful, loving and kind”

Ms. Phyllis Gregoria Marshall (Age 100)

“Live well with everyone, smile, and stay positive.”

Mr. Ivan Medonca (Age 104)

“Do everything in moderation and always keep the belief and faith in God”

As we celebrate our centenarians, I encourage everyone to prioritize the care of older persons. Report elder abuse, whether financial, physical, sexual, or verbal. Our seniors deserve to be treated with the dignity and respect they deserve. Let us therefore work together to ensure that is a daily reality.

The Ministry of Social Development and Family Services remains dedicated to enhancing the lives of our elderly in general, and our centenarians in particular. We will continue to develop and implement initiatives to help, empower and transform the lives of those who have served our families, communities and society so faithfully – they are the jewels of our society.

God Bless you all!



Mrs Lenor Baptiste-Simmons **PERMANENT SECRETARY**

**Ministry of Social
Development and Family
Services**

Recognition of Centenarians

The Ministry's National Centenarians Programme serves as an opportunity to celebrate and honour those who have reached the age of 100 and over.

Currently, there is increasing evidence that the world's population is ageing. In fact, according to the United Nations, the share of the global population aged 65 and older is projected to rise from 10 percent in 2022 to 16 percent in 2050. Further to this, the United Nations also stated that today there are over 500,000 centenarians worldwide.

Locally, the Elections and Boundaries Commission of Trinidad and Tobago indicated that as of June 2022, there are approximately one thousand, six hundred and eighty-seven (1,687) centenarians in the country.

Hence, with increasing numbers of persons attaining this milestone nationally, the Ministry deemed it necessary to acknowledge and celebrate our centenarians who have contributed to the success of our nation and remains committed to enhancing the lives of these stalwarts.

It would be remiss of me if gratitude was not expressed to our partners in this initiative namely, the Kiss Baking Company, National Agricultural Marketing Development Corporation (NAMDEVCO), E-Style Cash & Carry, No Youth Left Behind, the University of the West Indies (UWI), College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago (COSTAATT), Ultrapharm Marketing and the Ministry of Health.



Dr. Hyacinth Blake

Director of the Division of Ageing

On December 13, 2021, the Honourable Minister of Social Development and Family Services commissioned the relaunch of the National Centenarian Programme through the Division of Ageing (DOA).

Since that time, the DOA, in collaboration with other departments of the Ministry and key stakeholders had the privilege of honouring our nation's esteemed centenarians who have chosen to be part of this initiative.

In December 2022, the Ministry commenced issuing a specially curated medal to our centenarians, and the first pinning ceremony was held on 23 December 2022 to recognise Ms. Una Lardy (aka Tanty Una) who celebrated her 111th birthday on Christmas Day.

It is indeed inspiring to meet our centenarians, and to hear and capture their words of wisdom and messages of encouragement. It was heart warming to hear from them, especially given the challenges associated with the COVID19 pandemic which increased mortality rates of older persons across the globe.

It is heart-warming to note that several of our centenarians survived the pandemic, and thrived throughout their life's journey so that they are now beacons of hope to us all on how to live long, healthy and fulfilling lives.

While each of their stories vary, the fact that they have crossed the significant milestone of 100 years attests to their resilience. We look forward to celebrating with more centenarians and their families (who I fondly refer to as 'centenarians-to-be') in 2023, and encourage those who have not yet registered for the programme, to do so once they have attained the age of 99 years and over.

NATIONAL CENTENARIAN PROGRAMME

Medal Distribution



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Medal Distribution

Minister of Social Development and Family Services, Senator the Honourable Donna Cox distributes commemorative medals to centenarians honoured under the Ministry's relaunched National Centenarian Programme (NCP). The medal features an antique gold design reminiscent of the deep sense of reverence, compassion and generosity that are traditionally associated with older persons. The medal features a red, white and black ribbon to signify its uniqueness to Trinidad and Tobago. Each medal is also engraved with the centenarian's full name and date of birth.



Ms. Naomi Rogers Age 104



Ms. Elmira Solomon Age 101



Ms. Paulina Chotalal
Age 100

NATIONAL CENTENARIAN PROGRAMME

Medal Distribution



Ms. Ira Kitson Age 100



Mr. Everest Hastick Age 102



Una Lardy Age 111

CENTENARIAN

Programme Honourees

NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
1.		<p>ELDICA SPARKS 01/01/1916</p> <p><i>"Close relationship with God, good habits, good friends, and healthy meals."</i></p>	106
2.		<p>ANNIE NELSON 13/01/1916</p> <p><i>"You now come and you just come and you gone already."</i></p>	100
3.		<p>DORA GIBBONS 24/01/1922</p> <p><i>"Prayers, faith, and having an active lifestyle."</i></p>	106

CENTENARIAN

Programme Honourees

NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
4.		VERNESE ESDAILLE 29/01/1919 <i>"Eating green food and being honest."</i>	103
5.		STELLA ARMOUR 05/02/1920 <i>"Faith and trust in God."</i>	102
6.		JUANITA ALEXANDER 08/02/1922 <i>"The Master above!"</i>	100
7.		KENRICK BYRON 12/02/1922 <i>"A comfortable life."</i>	101




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Programme Honourees

NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
8.		SYBIL WILSON 14/02/1922 <i>"Eat good food and take good rest!"</i>	100
9.		SYBIL PHILLIP 16/02/1920 <i>"Love and passion for the Lord."</i>	102
10.		IVY NASIB 18/02/1922 <i>"Maintaining a healthy diet for my physical well-being, good mind, and relationship with God."</i>	100
11.		HAKIM "WILLIAM" MOHAMMED 26/02/1922 <i>"Love, kindness and generosity."</i>	100
12.		ADINA BENT 07/03/1917	105

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Programme Honourees

NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
13.		OLIVE MELVILLE 09/03/1922 <i>"The Lord as He has kept me and gave me peace."</i>	100
14.		MATILDA CHARLES 14/03/1919 <i>"Whatever is easy to come is hard to go. Stay out of trouble."</i>	103
15.		DOROTHY LEWIS 16/03/1922 <i>"Whatever is easy to come is hard to go. Stay out of trouble."</i>	100
16.		BASOO AJODHA 17/03/1921 <i>"Light walks, planting since childhood is the secret."</i>	101
17.		NAOMI ROGERS 22/03/1918 <i>"Exercise rest and healthy foods."</i>	104

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Programme Honourees

NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
18.		<p>LEONA ESMAY ROBERTS 23/03/1922</p> <p><i>"It's in my genes. My mum died just before her 102nd birthday."</i></p>	100
19.		<p>YUSSUF MOHAMMED 25/03/1917</p> <p><i>"Family genetics is the secret."</i></p>	105
20.		<p>EUGENIA BLIZZARD 27/03/1921</p> <p><i>"The younger generation should pray and trust in God."</i></p>	101
21.		<p>JOHN GOMEZ 30/03/1920</p> <p><i>"I live a happy life with God in unity, peace, love, and respect."</i></p>	102
22.		<p>VERONICA VERNETT-HINDS 08/04/1922</p> <p><i>"Always prayer"</i></p>	100

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
23.		BATCHEE MAHABIR 10/04/1919 <i>"I work hard."</i>	103
24.		MAY POLLARD 17/04/1919 <i>"Do good to people, your mother, your brother, your friends. Have no enemies."</i>	103
25.		SR. MARIE THERESE RETOUT 23/04/1922 <i>"I feel happy and honoured to live to make it to one hundred years."</i>	100

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
26.		HECTOR SIMEON 08/04/1919 <i>"Every grade you make in school should have a programme to teach about God otherwise it's no use."</i>	103
27.		RATTANEE PERSAD 09/04/1920 <i>"No idling, be productive. Education is important and prayers."</i>	102
28.		THEODORA GEORGE 29/04/1922 <i>"If He say so, I can't say no, because He is one that have me here. He has kept me."</i>	100
29.		CARMELITE GAY 03/05/1921 <i>"Putting God first and eating the right foods are the keys to longevity."</i>	101
30.		ENID NOEL 08/05/1922 <i>"I have a relationship with him and here is where I am going to stay."</i>	100

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
31.		<p>PHYLLIS GREGORIA MARSHALL 08/05/1922</p> <p><i>“Live well with everyone, smile, and stay positive.”</i></p>	100
32.		<p>MICHEALEN (ELAINE) SQUIRES 13/05/1922</p> <p><i>“I pray four times a day to Jesus because He is our Judge.”</i></p>	100
33.		<p>ELMIRA SOLOMON 08/02/1922</p> <p><i>“Pay attention to your parents. Take pride in yourself and don't make anyone make you do what you do not want to do.”</i></p>	100
34.		<p>GRACE JOB 15/05/1922</p> <p><i>“Behave yourselves, do not let your mother talk too much, obey your parents.”</i></p>	100

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
35.		<p>MURIEL MOORE 20/05/1920</p> <p><i>"If the younger generation wants to live a long and prosperous life, they should respect their parents and have more faith in God."</i></p>	102
36.		<p>MARY KOPING 27/05/1922</p> <p><i>"Hard work, keep active and eat healthy especially local food."</i></p>	100
37.		<p>VIOLET CAMBRIDGE 28/05/1922</p> <p><i>"Hard work and faith in God."</i></p>	100
38.		<p>HUBERT LEWIS 03/06/1920</p> <p><i>"Living righteously and living a clean and pure life."</i></p>	102
39.		<p>PRINCE AYRES 03/06/1920</p> <p><i>"Trust in God."</i></p>	102

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
40.		JOHN DUFEAL 06/06/1922	100
		<i>"Serve God when you are young and He will be faithful to you."</i>	
41.		DONALD JOHNSON 07/06/1919	103
		<i>"The mercy of Almighty God, hard labour and good natural foods are the secrets to longevity."</i>	
42.		IRVING JOSEPH 17/06/1915	107
		<i>"Putting God first, hard work and spending quality time with loved ones."</i>	
43.		ZITA ALLONG 17/06/1922	100
		<i>"Living closely to God, not worrying and flowing with life are the keys to my longevity."</i>	
44.		IVAN MENDONCA 23/06/1918	104
		<i>"Everything in moderation."</i>	

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
45.		PAULINA CHOTALAL 26/06/1922 <i>"Jesus is my secret to longevity."</i>	100
46.		NEVILLE DE LANDRO 26/06/1922 <i>"Be humble, listen to those in authority and prioritise pursuing an education."</i>	100
47.		ALFRED LIVERPOOL 30/06/1922 <i>"Eliminate junk foods from your diet."</i>	100
48.		RITA OCTAVIA CHARLES 01/07/1916 <i>"Give God the honour and praise in everything that you do and always do things for others with a grateful heart."</i>	106
49.		DORIS JULIANA PHILLIP 01/07/1922 <i>"I have no secret to longevity but does enjoy an easy-going, humble and simple life."</i>	100

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
50.		JULIA VALENTINE 02/07/1918 <i>"Faith in God and good natural local food."</i>	104
51.		JANET SLINGER 09/07/1922 <i>"Live good with people, eat well, pray and do not make confusion."</i>	100
52.		VIOLA BLACKMAN 11/07/2022 <i>"Prayer & hard work."</i>	102





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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
53.		MARGARET RIVAS 20/07/1918 <i>"I worked hard. Hard, hard, hard."</i>	104
54.		MELCINA NOERIGA 21/07/1918 <i>"Hard work, daily prayer, going to church, drinking coffee and minding my business is the secret to longevity."</i>	104
55.		IVY WILLIAMS 23/07/1922 <i>"Prayer and humility."</i>	100
56.		LLOYD KELLMAN 23/07/1920 <i>"Hereditary."</i>	102
57.		EILLEN TELESFORD 26/07/1920 <i>"Consuming home-grown food and going to church."</i>	102

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
58.		<p>ETHEL SWANN</p> <p>06/08/1922</p> <p><i>"By the grace of God and it is also part of my genes."</i></p>	100
59.		<p>THELMA CLARKE</p> <p>07/08/1922</p> <p><i>"Fear of God, good food and ground provisions."</i></p>	100
60.		<p>CARL SAYERS ROGERS</p> <p>10/08/1921</p> <p><i>"I try to stay healthy by exercising constantly."</i></p>	101
61.		<p>DA COSTA DARLINGTON MC DONALD</p> <p>13/08/1918</p> <p><i>"Persons must learn to take things easy and be humble."</i></p>	104




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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
62.		AUGUSTINE BLEASDELL 16/08/1922 <i>"Respect old people."</i>	100
63.		JOSEPH MAYNARD 19/08/1921 <i>"Being respectful, peaceful, loving and kind."</i>	101
64.		ISLA NANTON 25/08/1922 <i>"I live a happy life with God. Once persons do the right thing, they will too."</i>	100
65.		AMANDA REYES 26/08/1918 <i>"My advice is to live a loving and kind life."</i>	104

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
69.		<p>OLGA SCOTT 25/09/1917</p> <p><i>"Beer, cucumbers and aloes everyday"</i></p>	105
70.		<p>DULAR SOOKLAL 04/10/1922</p> <p><i>"My longevity diet is because of my upbringing"</i></p>	100
71.		<p>BABY SAHADALLIE 14/01/1922</p> <p><i>"A pure heart and being good to people."</i></p>	100

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
72.		<p>HYACINTH MANNETTE- AUGUSTUS</p> <p>16/08/1922</p> <p><i>"Firstly God!!!!"</i></p>	<p>100</p>
73.		<p>IRA KITSON</p> <p>15/09/1922</p> <p><i>"Don't Let anyone take advantage of you. Always know your own self-worth"</i></p>	<p>100</p>
74.		<p>ALFREDO GEORGE</p> <p>20/10/1020</p> <p><i>"Give Him (God) praise."</i></p>	<p>102</p>

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
75.		VERNON ANNISETTE 23/10/1916 <i>"Inherited good genes, it is the secret to longevity"</i>	106
76.		WINNIFRED JOHN 27/10/1922 <i>"God is my guide."</i>	100
77.		PETER DELYSIA 30/10/1920 <i>"Eating ground provisions such as dasheen, salt fish, and smoked herring"</i>	102



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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
78.		<p>NORMA DRAKES 31/10/1919</p> <p><i>"Good food, home-grown chicken and food eaten straight from the ground."</i></p>	103
79.		<p>ELARIA THEMA BELCON 01/11/1922</p> <p><i>"I eat everything and especially love wild meat"</i></p>	100
80.		<p>MARIE-NETTA MC LEAN 13/11/1921</p> <p><i>"Secret to longevity? Prayer!"</i></p>	101
81.		<p>POTTYYA MAHADEO 13/11/1922</p> <p><i>"Work hard, eat no meat, take no worries."</i></p>	100




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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
82.		<p>CEPHAS DUNCAN 27/11/1922</p> <p><i>"To achieve 100, I encourage all persons to love the Almighty and live a clean and happy life."</i></p>	100
83.		<p>ELVIRA THOMPSON 29/11/1919</p> <p><i>"Go to church and say your prayers."</i></p>	103

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NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
84.		CYRIL JOHN 07/12/1914 <i>"Key to longevity? Ask God."</i>	108
85.		HERMAN GRIFFITH 09/12/1920 <i>"Love the Lord and serve Him, honour your mother and father, eat healthy foods and don't drink alcohol."</i>	102
86.		EVEREST HASTICK 16/12/1920 <i>"Eating good foods such as coo-coo, breadfruit, dasheen and fish."</i>	102

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Programme Honourees

NO.	CENTENARIAN	NAME / DOB	AGE
87.		VERONICA JONES 16/12/1922 <i>"The secret to longevity is eating the right food like provision and serving God."</i>	100
88.		UNA LARDY 25/12/1911 <i>"Eat fresh food from the land. Eat plenty coconut, fish, corn. Coconut water is tonic."</i>	111

Dearly Departed

We honour those who registered for the Programme but departed this life before recognition.

AMELIA NARINE	10/05/1921
LAURENCIA LOCARIO	04/07/1918
CYRILLA THOMAS	13/07/1922
CECIL FELIX LEWIS	27/07/1919
CARMEL HOLLINGSWORTH	26/08/1921
IVY HARRYNARINE	25/08/1920
NESTA PATRICK	29/08/1922
ROSIE RAMJOHN	30/08/1981
VIO SEALES	29/10/1922
BEATRICE HINKSON	07/12/1919
DORIS SCARBOROUGH	21/12/1922

LIST OF ACTIVITIES for 2023

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) - June 15th



World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is commemorated globally on June 15 and is observed as a day where people unite to stand against the abuse and suffering experienced by older persons worldwide (UN, 2021).

United Nations International Day of Older Persons - October 1st



United Nations International Day of Older Persons is celebrated annually on the 1st October. It is a significant occasion to celebrate older persons and to raise awareness of the opportunities and challenges of ageing populations worldwide.

LIST OF ACTIVITIES for 2023

National Centenarian's Day - September 22



National Centenarian's Day observed annually on September 22 recognizes and honours those who have achieved the milestone age of 100 years and older.

National Centenarian Programme



The Ministry's National Centenarian Programme continues for 2023 where older persons who are 100 years and older are recognized for their contributions to the development of Trinidad and Tobago.



SERVICES for Older Persons

The Ministry's Division of Ageing (DOA) provides services and support to the ageing population of Trinidad and Tobago. Focus is placed on ageing initiatives in Trinidad and Tobago and on educating and sensitising key stakeholders and the general public on ageing issues, as well as enhancing the quality of life of older persons.

Functions, initiatives and services provided by the DOA:

- Developing standards of care for Homes for Older Persons and compliance with set standards;
- Monitoring and coordinating the implementation of the National Policy on Ageing;
- Organizing and coordinating training programmes, seminars and workshops for care providers of older persons;
- Developing and implementing programmes and projects for the benefit of older persons;
- Conducting research on matters pertaining to ageing and older persons;
- Conducting nationwide public sensitization programmes on ageing issues;
- Operating an Older Persons Information Centre (Help Desk) to provide information on products and services available to older persons;
- Recognising and appreciating Older Persons via the Centenarian Programme;
- Facilitating placement of vulnerable older persons into Homes for Older Persons' who require this service; and
- Networking with social-sector Ministries, the private sector, and civil society to develop and coordinate the implementation of the National Plan of Action on Ageing.



SERVICES for Older Persons

Services provided by the Division of Ageing include:

Older Persons Information Centre:

The Older Persons Information Centre (OPIC) serves as a referral mechanism within the Division of Ageing, linking older people to key services available to them through both public and private agencies. Through OPIC, the following are provided:

- Information about Homes for the Older Persons;
- Information and joint agency action on elder abuse mitigation;
- Referral to relevant state agencies that provide care support to older persons;
- Access to Caregivers and other similar services;
- Information on legislation related to older persons; and
- Contact information for services related to older persons.

Subvented Homes for Older Persons:

Six Homes for Older Persons provide shelter for older people who were displaced, had no relatives, or needed community care. These are operated and managed by NGOs supported by Government subventions.

Community Care Programme (CCP):

The CCP facilitates the placement of vulnerable older persons aged 55 years and over including those who have been medically discharged from public health institutions and are in need of continued support. They are placed into Homes for Older Persons in the community that provide congregate living accommodation with suitable care, once the older person meets the relevant criteria for inclusion in the programme.



SERVICES for Older Persons

SOCIAL WELFARE DIVISION

Ministry of Social Development and Family Services

Senior Citizens' Pension

This grant provides financial assistance to eligible older persons in Trinidad and Tobago.

Who Qualifies:

- Age - Persons sixty-five (65) years and over
- Residence - Applicants must be ordinarily resident in Trinidad and Tobago for twenty (20) years preceding the date of application. Any periods of absence must not total more than five (5) years during the twenty (20) years preceding the application

OR

- The applicant must be residing in Trinidad and Tobago for at least fifty (50) years. N.B. (These 50 years do not need to be consecutive)
- Income - Applicant's monthly income must not exceed \$5,500 TTD per month

Payment Schedule

Senior Citizens' Monthly Pension Maximum - \$3,500.00

Income not exceeding \$2500 receives \$3500
Income exceeding \$2,500 but not exceeding \$3,500.00 receives \$2,500.00
Income exceeding \$3,500 but not exceeding \$4,500.00 receives \$1,500.00
Income exceeding \$4,500 but not exceeding \$5,500.00 receives \$500.00





SERVICES for Older Persons

Special Achievers Grant (SAG)

The SAG provides support to persons who made significant contribution to the development of Trinidad and Tobago and who were experiencing severe financial hardship. Support in the areas of health, housing and income is provided. A Special Achiever is considered to be a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago whose record of services and/or performance is publicly distinguishable, as an extraordinary contribution to national development and/or raises the international profile of the country.

SOCIAL DISPLACEMENT

a. Relocation of Elderly Street Dwellers Programme

Under this initiative, older persons (55 and over) are relocated to Homes for Older Persons where they will receive relevant special care. Elderly street dwellers must meet the relevant eligibility criteria for this initiative. The Ministry subsidises monthly payments for those clients who have no income or payment is borne by both the client and the Ministry for those in receipt of grants from the Ministry.

Notables:

- Disability Assistance Grant (Adults): The Disability Assistance



SERVICES for Older Persons

Grant is paid to citizens and legal residents of Trinidad and Tobago who are medically certified as being permanently disabled and cannot be employed. The grant can be accessed by persons over age the 18 who have been certified by a Government medical officer as having a permanent disability and as a consequence cannot earn a livelihood. When this person reaches the age of 65, they can then apply for Senior Citizens' Pension once they meet the criterion.

Geriatric Adolescent Partnership Programme (GAPP)

The Geriatric Adolescent Partnership Programme (GAPP) falls under the purview of the Ministry of Youth Development and National Service (MYDNS). It is an intensive short-term intergenerational training programme, which aims to inculcate discipline, impart knowledge and promote a sense of caring for the elderly among cohorts between the ages of 17 – 35. GAPP responds to and addresses the growing and complex needs of Trinidad and Tobago's ageing population through the provision of geriatric care and companionship services.

For more information, please visit <https://www.mydns.gov.tt/about-us/>

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