



OUR SOCIAL MISSION

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Poverty in Singapore

Singapore might be one of the most successful cities in the world, but let's not forget about the less fortunate in our midst. Poverty is everyone's concern. Join us to help our neighbours in need at <http://sgagainstopoverty.org/> and don't forget to Like our Facebook page "Singaporeans Against Poverty".

In 2012 Singapore was the world's **6th most expensive city** to live in



JAPAN (Tokyo)



JAPAN (Osaka)



AUSTRALIA (Sydney)



SWEDEN (Oslo)



AUSTRALIA (Melbourne)



SINGAPORE

Singapore is ranked **26th out of 136** in the world for income inequality. (A higher rank means greater inequality)



The top 10% wage earning households earn approximately **25 times** more than the bottom 10%.

The top 20% earners saw their **real wages rise by 27%** between 1998 and 2010.



But the bottom 20% earners saw their **real wages fall by 8%** over the same time.



In 2008, 12-14% of Singaporean households had to survive on an income of **less than \$1,500 per month**.

In 2012, more than 100,000 Singaporeans and PRs **earned less than \$1,000 a month** despite working full time.

Still, the **overall price of goods and services in Singapore increased by 13.1%** over the last three years.

The price of a bowl of fishball **noodles shot up by 20%** in just one year from 2011 to 2012.

\$3.00 to \$3.60



An HDB survey in 2008 showed that a third of households living in one- and two-room flats **do not earn any money**.

PHOTOS: INTERNET

References can be viewed at www.sgagainstopoverty.org.