



JAMES TAN

Chief Executive Officer
TOUCH Community Services

James Tan is the Chief Executive Officer of TOUCH Community Services.

No stranger to the work of TOUCH, James was a volunteer with TOUCH since the late 1990s. His passion to make a difference in the lives of individuals and the community led him to cross over from the corporate world into the social service sector.

Prior to joining TOUCH, James has more than 20 years of extensive experience in corporate real estate strategy & consulting, as well as portfolio and asset management in multinational companies and financial institutions. He travels extensively between Asia and USA, overseeing a global portfolio that covers commercial and industrial real estate. During his corporate tenure, he held several senior management positions, and served as Chairperson on the Singapore chapter of a global real estate network from 2009 - 2013.

In his current role, James leads TOUCH towards the outworking of Vision 2030 - Strong Families, Caring Generations, Enabled Communities, and aspires for Singapore to be a model of a gracious and caring society.

Within the organisation, many services were integrated, and service models improved to meet the evolving landscape and needs within the community.

Under his leadership, TOUCH was awarded the Charity Transparency Award 2022 and for consecutive years from 2016-2019 by the Charity Council for exemplary disclosure practices, and the Special Commendation Award for Clarity of Strategy in the Charity Governance Awards 2017.

Over and above his current role in TOUCH, James believes in contributing back to the sector as much as he can. He currently chairs the Agency for Integrated Care's Community Care Manpower Committee and is co-chair of Beyond the Label Collective, an initiative by the National Council of Social Service. He also serves as a member of the Ministry of Health & Ministry of Social and Family Development's Interagency Taskforce on Mental Health & Well-being, the Community Care Technology Council led by the Agency for Integrated Care, and the National Healthcare Group Population Collective Leadership Council.