

PARTNER OF LABOUR MOVEMENT

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Nominated by the Migrant Workers' Centre.

Letchumanan Muralidharan has been volunteering with the Migrant Workers' Centre (MWC) as an ambassador since 2020 and continues to serve passionately. With his outgoing personality and readiness to help, Brother Murali is well-liked and respected by many in the migrant worker community. He once assisted a migrant worker who lost \$3,250 in a job scam. When the worker felt lost and helpless, he stepped in to guide the worker with bank arrangements, lodging a police report and sharing useful anti-scam information.

When COVID-19 struck, and migrant workers were affected by the lockdown, Brother Murali was among the few ambassadors who voluntarily stepped out of his comfort zone and worked with the Ministry of Manpower and the police to tend to the needs of the rest of the workers in the dormitory. Apart from demonstrating proper hand washing techniques, measuring temperatures, encouraging others to see a doctor if unwell and other essential duties, Brother Murali also placed himself at considerable risk by moving between quarantined zones to ensure meals were delivered correctly and promptly.

In that same period, when a worker in the dormitory had passed on due to a heart attack, Brother Murali was a pillar of support for his peers and roommates – consoling them on the sudden loss of their peer and friend, despite struggling with his own emotions.

With the worst of the pandemic now over, Brother Murali now partakes in blood donation drives organised by MWC in collaboration with Blood Bank. He feels that the blood donation is meaningful and he is happy to continue with this exercise in the future.