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PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION'S SEVEN HEARTLAND COUNTDOWN CELEBRATIONS BRING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER TO WELCOME 2026

The People's Association Grassroots Organisations (PA GROs) will organise seven heartland countdown celebrations on Wednesday, 31 December 2025 for residents to usher in the New Year with their friends and family nearer to home as a community. PA's heartland celebrations, which are part of ONE Countdown 2026, will feature a wide range of family-centric activities designed to bring residents together through shared experiences. The seven countdown sites are Boon Lay, Keat Hong, Marsiling, Nee Soon, Punggol, Tampines and Woodlands.

- Organised and supported by about **700 grassroots leaders and community volunteers**, the activities at the heartland countdown celebrations are curated to encourage residents to connect, contribute and care for one another.
- Music is one key highlight of this year's heartland countdown celebrations which brings together young and old residents. At **Woodlands Waterfront Countdown 2026**, families can groove to a music-driven sober clubbing experience with lively DJ performances, coffee and local snacks along the scenic Woodlands Waterfront. Over at 'Hearts @ Boon Lay, Building Brighter Futures!', the "Eras" Dance Floor will feature DJ-led, multilingual hits from the 60s to today with the playlist shaped by community voting.

4 Beyond music, this year's heartland celebrations will also feature family fun,

shared aspirations and community participation. Families with young children can

head down to **Our Tampines Hub Countdown Celebrations to 2026** to enjoy Pororo

Kids Carnival which includes bookmark-making activity and bouncing on Pororo-

themed inflatable. For families with older children, there are also e-sports try-outs and

games for them to enjoy. At **One Punggol Year-End Countdown 2026**, residents can

enjoy performances such as harmonica ensembles, karate demonstration and a

thrilling fire circus before counting down to the New Year.

5 At Nee Soon Countdown 2026 - Dare to Dream, residents can pen hopeful

messages in Postcard to My Future Self which will be mailed back next year as

reminders of their aspirations. Marsiling residents can also join in a community art

piece at Marsiling Countdown As One where they can add colours to three large

decorative banners. Meanwhile, Keat Hong Countdown to 2026: All To Gather will

feature a recycled fashion showcase where cancer survivors modelling sustainable

outfits made from recycled materials.

6 Members of the public can approach their nearby Community Clubs,

Residents' Committees, Neighbourhood Committees, and Residents' Networks for

more information on the events.

7 Your journalist and camera crew/photographer are cordially invited to PA's

heartland countdown celebrations. Please RSVP with the contact person below by

29 December 2025. Interviews with volunteers can be arranged upon request. More

information on PA's heartland countdown celebrations can be found in the Annex and

at go.gov.sg/pacountdown2026.

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People's Association

About People's Association

The <u>People's Association</u> (PA) is a statutory board established on 1 July 1960. Our mission is to spark and nurture community participation for a caring and united Singapore. Our network includes 2,000 <u>Grassroots Organisations</u> (GROs), over 100 Community Clubs, five Community Development Councils, six PAssion WaVe outlets, imPAct, and the National Community Leadership Institute. For more information, please visit <u>www.pa.gov.sg</u>.

About ONE Countdown 2026

PA heartland countdown celebration is a ONE Countdown 2026 event. Connect with family and friends at ONE Countdown 2026 and usher in the new year together, with celebrations across Singapore including the heartlands. Check out the nearest ONE Countdown 2026 site at https://gowhere.gov.sg/onecountdown.

List of PA/GROs Heartland Countdown Celebrations

As some events may be ticketed, members of the public may refer to their nearest CCs, RCs, NCs and RNs for more details.

No	Organiser(s)	Date/Time/ Venue	Event
1	Boon Lay GROs		Hearts @ Boon Lay, Building Brighter Futures! Residents can look forward to an unforgettable, high-energy celebration bursting with music, dance, and meaningful moments that bring the whole community together. Step onto our "Eras" Dance Floor, where the DJ will spin multilingual hits from the groovy 60s all the way to today's chart-toppers, with the playlist curated by residents themselves through pre-event voting! To make the celebration truly inclusive, student ushers from River Valley High School (RVHS) will accompany and assist mobility-challenged seniors so everyone can join in the fun. Adding to the festive charm, the Boon Lay Youth Network and RVHS students will host nostalgic game booths inspired by treasured cultural heritage, featuring timeless
			games and delightful handicraft activities for all ages. Families can also enjoy a heartwarming moment at the Tree of Gratitude, where children are invited to pen heartfelt messages of appreciation to their parents. The stage will come alive with vibrant live performances by CODE:US, Flaming Matrix, Little Band Plus, and DJ Joshua. And as the night reaches its peak, residents will countdown to the New Year with a dazzling fireworks display that lights up the sky.

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2	Keat Hong GROs	31 Dec 2025 8pm to 12.15am Keat Hong Square – Hard Court next to Keat Hong Community Club	Keat Hong Countdown to 2026: All To Gather Keat Hong countdown celebration will blend inclusivity, creativity and innovation under Keat Hong's "All To Gather" theme. "All To Gather" embodies the spirit of a countdown party that brings together Keat Hong's cherished 2025 flashbacks with hopeful new year dreams for 2026. The celebration features a scene-by-scene reflection of the year's memorable moments. Community Volunteers are also part of these reflections, helping to nurture the dreams and aspirations of our residents. The celebration will also feature the Recycled Fashion Showcase, now in its third year, where cancer survivors will model sustainable outfits crafted from recycled materials. Families with children can enjoy bouncy castles, a choo-choo train ride, and a variety of games and snacks. Rounding off the night, residents can look forward to an Al-enhanced finale, where an original theme song, composed with the help of artificial intelligence by Keat Hong grassroot leader Dharma – accompanies the fireworks display.
3	Marsiling GROs	31 Dec 2025 8pm to 12.15am Woodlands Secondary School	Marsiling Countdown As One This year's Marsiling Countdown celebration will feature exciting performances from Mandopop star Boon Hui Lu and local favourite 53A, as well as a spectacular fireworks display to usher in 2026. Residents can also look forward to colouring on three large decorative banners of 1.2m by 2m each representing elements of the Marsiling Pillar – Home, Heart, Hope. In addition, they will have the opportunity to pen their personal wishes for 2026, contributing to a shared tapestry of hopes for both the new year and the new Marsiling

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			CC. This meaningful collection of well-wishes will be brought over to the new Marsiling CC, which is slated to open in 2026.
4	Nee Soon GRC GROs	31 Dec 2025	Nee Soon Countdown 2026: Dare to Dream
		8pm to 12:30am Open field next to FutsalArena @ Yishun	Residents can look forward to shopping at the Nee Soon Youth Market which features over 50 young vendors turning their hobbies into entrepreneurial ventures. Residents can also take part in Postcard to My Future Self where they can pen messages of hope on winning postcard designs that will be mailed back next year as reminders of the dreams they dared to chase. At the Art in the Heartlands corner, residents can create glow-in-the-dark crafts and personalised keepsakes to bring home. There will also be live performances by Ben Hum and Estelle Fly, Sharon Shobana, Sarah Syazlina, and Shirlyn + The UnXpected, as the community welcomes 2026 with music, art, youth expression and a lively carnival of rides, snacks and games. The night will culminate in a dazzling fireworks display.
5	One Punggol	31 Dec 2025	One Punggol Year-End Countdown 2026
		6pm to 12.30am One Punggol – Celebration Square and The Plaza/ Open Field in front of One Punggol	Residents can look forward to multiple themed zones designed for different interests and age groups with carnival games, bouncy castles, photo booth and more. Community talents will take centre stage with a vibrant line-up of performances, including harmonica ensembles, karate demonstrations, spoken poetry, ballet showcases, traditional Aura Gemalai, ukulele and choir performances.

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			The night will culminate in a spectacular countdown experience featuring a drone show and a fireworks display, accompanied by thrilling fire dancing, fire eating and a high-energy fire circus performance.
6	Our Tampines Hub	31 Dec 2025 12pm to 12.15am Our Tampines Hub – Town Square, Level 1 Festive Area, Eco- Community Garden, Function Room 2, Community Auditorium and Central Plaza	OTH Countdown Celebrations to 2026 Our Tampines Hub (OTH) will celebrate the new year with a wide range of family-friendly activities and a vibrant countdown concert with performing artistes, culminating in a dazzling fireworks display to ring in 2026. Families can enjoy Pororo Kids Carnival at Festive Walk East where children can participate in bookmark-making activities, meet Pororo characters and OTH Kids Club mascots, and bounce on a Pororo-themed inflatable. At OTH Harvest Experience, families and friends can harvest community-grown produce together. Residents can join Gardening Workshops covering basic bonsai and air plant terrariums, as well as eco workshops that repurpose used textiles and plastic bottles. Residents of all ages can participate in fitness activities at the Community Auditorium, including Step HIIT classes and parent-child tele-matches. Central Plaza will be transformed into a digital playground with e-sports try-outs and games for families to
7	Woodlands GROs	31 Dec 2025 9pm to 12.15am Woodlands Waterfront Park	Moodlands Waterfront Countdown 2026 Residents can look forward to welcoming 2026 at the inaugural Woodlands Waterfront Countdown, the first-ever New Year's Eve celebration at Woodlands Waterfront Park. With its scenic coastal backdrop and free admission, the event will promise a vibrant night of music, activities, and community spirit.

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			A key highlight this year will be Sober Clubbing, bringing the globally trending wellness movement to the heartlands. Residents of all ages will enjoy an energetic, alcohol-free party experience with dynamic DJ sets, including a headline performance by DJ Ezra Hazard, while home-based businesses will serve mocktails, brewed coffee, and creative snacks.
			Families will also enjoy a lively carnival zone with inflatables, a pirate ship ride, carnival games, and snack booths. The celebration will continue with "Waves of Celebration," where Woodlands residents from youth to seniors will take the Main Stage, showcasing community talent from dancers and singers to percussionists.
			The night will also feature a dazzling drone show over the waterfront, adding a stunning visual element to the festivities.
			Free shuttle buses from Woodlands North Plaza and Admiralty MRT Bus Stop will ensure everyone can easily join this memorable New Year's Eve celebration.