

AUPE Hospitalisation Benefit Scheme helps member in times of need.

Ms Juriada Bte Mohd Yasir has difficulty in speaking when AUPE officials visited her at the Econ Care Centre at Yio Chu Kang Road on 22 December 2011. She suffers weakness in her limbs and is unable to sit up.

The Corporate Support Officer from the Ministry of Home Affairs is diagnosed with Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE) or lupus, an autoimmune disease in which a person's immune system attacks various organs or cells of the body. She was hospitalised at the National University Hospital for 215 days since April this year.

But things are looking up for her. She was discharged from the hospital and transferred to Econ Care Centre for follow-up treatment and rehabilitation. With good medical care and support from her family, the member hopes to get well enough to regain some functional independence.



Mr Lee Chee Khwin, Chairman of the AUPE Ministry of Home Affairs Staff Branch and Secretary Mr Mohd Samsudin Djunid presents the cheque to Mr Yahya Bin Hassan, husband of Ms Juraida Mohd Yasir.

AUPE officials comprising Mr Lee Chee Khwin, Chairman of the AUPE Ministry of Home Affairs Staff Branch, Secretary Mr Mohd Samsudin Djunid and Consultant Mr Unnikrishnan were there to deliver a cheque of \$8,500 to the member. The money will provide some financial assistance to the member and her family during this difficult time.

Under the AUPE Mutual Aid Welfare Scheme III, members aged 65 and below and who pay \$2 per month on top of their membership subscription would be able to claim hospitalisation benefits when they are hospitalised.

The Scheme pays cash benefit of \$30 per day for the first ten days of hospitalisation and \$40 per day from the 11th day onwards, up to 52 weeks.