Sussex president Cheong Hee Kiat joined the university in 2010 discussions with the Ministry of Education about a new campus, although the location has not been decided. It is now operating as rented premises in Clementi. CHENG HEE KIAT / THE STRAITS TIMES

Looking for a home of its own to fashion new type of campus

The Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS) is looking for a new home that will bring 24,000 students and 1,500 staff under one campus, although the location has not been decided. It is now operating as rented premises in Clementi. CHENG HEE KIAT / THE STRAITS TIMES

Ensuring shelter for homeless despite surge in demand: MSF

There is a crisis in which 1 in 10 Singaporeans are at risk of homelessness. This is more pronounced among young adults, who are often in the throes of career development and unsure of their financial future. Homelessness can be a starting point for many challenges, including mental health, employment, and social support. The Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF) has been assisting in overcoming these barriers. There are three main strategies that MSF has employed:

1. Providing emergency shelter: MSF provides emergency shelter to those at risk of homelessness. This includes transitional housing, which is intended to provide a safe and stable environment while individuals work towards finding permanent housing. MSF has a network of emergency shelters that are spread across the island.

2. Supporting long-term housing: MSF works with partners to provide long-term housing solutions. This includes social housing, which is provided by the government, and private rental housing, which is provided by private landlords. MSF has partnerships with housing organizations to provide affordable and sustainable housing solutions.

3. Offering support services: MSF offers a range of support services to help individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. This includes financial assistance, mental health support, and employment services. MSF has partnerships with organizations to provide these services.

MSF has been working hard to ensure that individuals and families have access to safe and stable housing. This requires coordination with other government agencies and partnerships with housing organizations. MSF is committed to continuing its efforts to ensure that all Singaporeans have access to adequate and affordable housing.