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Group wants to enhance ties with the public

THE Malaysian Indian Entertainers Welfare Association (Miewa) has joined forces with the Rotaract Club of Bangsar to organise a medical camp at the Global Indian International School in Brickfields on Jan 18.

Miewa president Suhan Pansha said the one-day camp was aimed at enhancing ties with the public.

"More often we are organising entertainment programmes and the public have to pay to see the show. But this medical camp is offered free to them.

"We want the public, who have been supportive of us, to benefit from the activities at the medical camp.

"The medical camp is a rewarding programme as it benefits everyone," said Suhan.

The activities lined up include a blood donation drive, organ donation drive, vision test, AIDS awareness campaign, drugs awareness campaign and medical check-up.

Suhan said they were expecting about 500 people to attend the medical camp.

"We hope to get at least 50 people to donate blood. Many of our members have pledged to be part of the blood and organ donation campaign," said Suhan.

Miewa has also received support from the University Hospital Blood Bank, National Transplant Resource Centre, BL Optometrist, Malaysian AIDS Foundation and Tasly.

Organising chairman Sheila Pravina said they would be going all out to get public support.

"We will be distributing leaflets to homes in the Brickfields vicinity. This is our first programme for the



Giving back to society: (From left) Sheila Pravina, Suhan Pansha and programme adviser S. Suresh discussing the medical camp.

year and we want to be a success," said Sheila.

Rotaract Club of Bangsar president V. Rajendran said they were pleased to work with Miewa on the programme.

"We have initiated several social

and community-based programmes. Our objective is to support the University Hospital Blood Bank to reach their objectives," said Rajendran.

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