

UNIVERSITY OF CYBERJAYA

SDG IMPACT REPORT 2025

SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities

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Our Commitment to Sustainable Cities and Communities

MAKE CITIES AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS INCLUSIVE, SAFE, RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE

The University of Cyberjaya sits in a city that was planned from the start to be smart and sustainable. We want to be a good neighbour in it: opening our campus to the community, running it sustainably, and helping the towns around us become cleaner, safer and more resilient.

Our commitment to SDG 11 runs from our own campus to the coast. We open our buildings, library and green spaces to the public, celebrate and record cultural traditions, and set targets for a more sustainable campus, from walkable student housing to cleaner commuting. Beyond campus, our students work with local councils to look after beaches, lakes and rivers, and stand with families when disaster strikes.

This report sets out our goals, the progress we made against them in 2025, and the people and projects behind it.

Our goals

01 RESEARCH FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES
Study the health, safety and resilience of the communities around us. 11.1

02 OPEN OUR CAMPUS TO THE PUBLIC
Give the public access to our buildings, library, museum and green spaces. 11.2.1 – 11.2.4

03 SUPPORT ARTS AND HERITAGE
Celebrate, fund and record Malaysia's arts and cultural heritage. 11.2.5 · 11.2.6 · 11.3.1

04 SET SUSTAINABILITY TARGETS
Measure and improve the sustainability of how our campus runs. 11.4.1

05 MAKE COMMUTING CLEANER
Cut car journeys with walkable housing, shuttles, car-pooling and remote working. 11.4.2 · 11.4.3

06 PROVIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
Offer affordable housing to students and staff close to campus. 11.4.4 · 11.4.5

07 PUT PEDESTRIANS FIRST
Design our campus for people on foot. 11.4.6

08 PLAN AND BUILD WITH OUR CITY
Work with local councils on planning, and build to sustainable standards. 11.4.7 – 11.4.9

KEY FACTS · 2025

2025 at a Glance

In 2025 we worked with four local councils on public spaces, moved our students within walking distance of campus and kept a cherished cultural tradition alive.

4
local councils we worked with on public spaces

300 m
from hostel to campus, so students can walk to class

19,200 km
of shuttle-bus journeys removed each year

1,000
servings of bubur lambuk, a Ramadan tradition shared on campus

305
residents displaced by fire given hygiene kits and support

94.5 kg
of beach waste sorted and reported to the council

Indicator by indicator

REF	WHAT THE ASKS	OUR 2025 POSITION
11.1	Research on sustainable communities	Community health research in Sepang and Muar, disaster relief medicine, and the Sabah poverty study
11.2.1 – 11.2.3	Public access to buildings, library and museum	Grand Hall and library open to the public; Anatomy and Pathology Museum open to school groups by appointment
11.2.4	Public access to green spaces	Campus green spaces open to the public; students help care for Taman Tasik Cyberjaya with MP Sepang
11.2.5	Arts and heritage contribution	Free cultural events open to the public, including bubur lambuk and festival open houses
11.2.6	Recording cultural heritage	Bubur lambuk recipe and communal cooking recorded on video for the library's digital collection
11.3.1	Arts and heritage expenditure	RM 186,000 spent on arts, culture and heritage in 2025
11.4.1	Sustainable practice targets	Green Campus Action Plan 2024–2028 targets; grid electricity down 19.8% against 2023
11.4.2	Sustainable commuting	Hostel 300 m from campus, MRT shuttle, first electric vehicle and a car-pooling scheme
11.4.3	Remote working	Flexible Working Policy allows eligible staff up to two days a week of remote work
11.4.4, 11.4.5	Affordable housing	Student hostel within walking distance, with a 50% fee subsidy for students in need; housing allowance for staff
11.4.6	Pedestrian priority	Covered walkways and crossings link the hostel to campus, with shaded walkways planned
11.4.7	Local authority collaboration	Work with MP Sepang, Majlis Perbandaran Selayang, MBDK and MP Muar on public spaces and health planning
11.4.8, 11.4.9	New build standards; brownfield building	Renovations follow Green Campus standards; new works on previously developed land

SECTION 01

01

Working with Our Local Councils

Giving councils the data and the hands they need to look after beaches, lakes and rivers.

IN THIS SECTION

— *94.5 Kilograms and a Report to the Council: Earth Allies at Bagan Lalang*
— *Cleaning and Greening Cintai Pantai Klang with MBDK*
— *Building Flood Resilience on the Banks of Sungai Gombak*
— *Caring for Cyberjaya's Shared Lake*
— *Green Reboot: A Cleaner Lake Garden for Cyberjaya*

WORKING WITH OUR LOCAL COUNCILS

94.5 Kilograms and a Report to the Council: Earth Allies at Bagan Lalang

SEPANG, SELANGOR · 16 MAY 2025



Pantai Bagan Lalang is a popular public beach for families from across Sepang. On 16 May 2025, the Environmental Volunteerism group 'Earth Allies' brought 11 committee members, 42 University students, their lecturer, 10 NGO volunteers and 35 family members and friends to clean it, working with Sustainability Solutions.

After a safety briefing and protective equipment, volunteers cleared roughly 500 metres of shore, sorting the waste into 12 categories and weighing it: 94.5 kg in total, including 23.2 kg of PET bottles, 19.3 kg of single-use plastic, 10.7 kg of construction material and 7.6 kg of clothing. An educational beach walk introduced participants to the local marine life. Sustainability Solutions then submitted a report on the clean-up to Majlis Perbandaran Sepang (MP Sepang).

The council has since used the category breakdown to place extra bins and 'no littering' signs at the beach's busiest picnic spots. The group also gave a short talk to five families living near the beach on how plastic waste reaches the sea through the area's drains and river mouths. It shows how student data can help a local authority manage a public space better.



Factfile

WHEN 16 May 2025

WHERE Pantai Bagan Lalang, Sepang

WITH Sustainability Solutions; Majlis Perbandaran Sepang

REACH 94.5 kg of waste in 12 categories; about 100 volunteers

LED BY Environmental Volunteerism group 'Earth Allies'

INDICATORS 11.4.7 Collaboration with local authorities · public coastal spaces

WORKING WITH OUR LOCAL COUNCILS

Cleaning and Greening Cintai Pantai Klang with MBDK

PORT KLANG, SELANGOR · 27 DECEMBER 2025

65 plants

and 82 kg of rubbish cleared from a public seafront with Klang city council

On 27 December 2025, the Environmental Volunteerism group 'Harapan Team' worked at Cintai Pantai Klang in Tanjung Harapan, Port Klang, a public seafront where local families come to walk and relax. After a briefing and talk by Sustainability Solutions, volunteers removed plastic, fishing debris and glass from the shore, weighed it, and handed it to Majlis Bandaraya Diraja Klang (MBDK) for disposal. The weighed waste came to 82 kg.

The group then planted 15 kelat paya trees, 30 seedlings and 20 cacti and put up signs on the site, well beyond its target of 15 plants, improving a shared public space for everyone who uses it. The best-performing team won a prize.

MBDK has agreed to water the new plants during the dry season, and the group will return in six months to check how many have survived. The site is now part of the University's coastal monitoring programme, adding a restoration site to the clean-up sites the course already visits.

Factfile

WHEN 27 December 2025
WHERE Cintai Pantai Klang, Tanjung Harapan, Port Klang
WITH Majlis Bandaraya Diraja Klang (MBDK); Sustainability Solutions
REACH 82 kg of waste removed; 65 plants
LED BY Environmental Volunteerism group 'Harapan Team'
INDICATORS 11.4.7 Collaboration with local authorities · public coastal spaces

WORKING WITH OUR LOCAL COUNCILS

Building Flood Resilience on the Banks of Sungai Gombak

GOMBAK, SELANGOR · 30 NOVEMBER 2025



For communities in flood-prone Gombak, a healthy riverbank protects homes as well as the river. On 30 November 2025, the Environmental Volunteerism group 'Silvanova', advised by Dr Mohd Faiez bin Zaidon, worked with the NGO Grass Malaysia, officers from Majlis Perbandaran Selayang (MPS) and the village head to restore the riverbank at Kebun Komuniti Gombak Utara.

Students, NGO members, MPS officers and community gardeners cleared rubbish from the garden and riverbank, with the waste collected by Majlis Perbandaran Selayang for disposal. They planted flowers and trees, laid out in the pattern of the Selangor flag, to stabilise the soil and reduce erosion, and heard a talk from the NGO's president and the garden's leader on flood resilience. The group also tested the river water at three points with simple field kits; turbidity was highest just downstream of a storm drain, and the results were passed to MPS for follow-up.

Before the event, the students met the village head to plan the work with the community. MPS has since agreed to install a litter trap at the storm drain identified in the testing, and Grass Malaysia and the University plan to repeat the water tests every three months to track whether the riverbank planting improves water quality.

Factfile

WHEN 30 November 2025
WHERE Kebun Komuniti Gombak Utara, beside Sungai Gombak
WITH Grass Malaysia; Majlis Perbandaran Selayang; village head
REACH 12 community members and NGO partners; 8 students
LED BY Environmental Volunteerism group 'Silvanova'
INDICATORS 11.4.7 Collaboration with local authorities · flood-resilient communities

WORKING WITH OUR LOCAL COUNCILS

Caring for Cyberjaya's Shared Lake

CYBERJAYA · 21 NOVEMBER 2025



Taman Tasik Cyberjaya is one of the city's most used public spaces, where residents walk, jog and bring their families every weekend. On 21 November 2025, eleven students from Young Mercy Group 1, supported by Majlis Perbandaran Sepang (MP Sepang) as sponsor, spent the day cleaning it in two phases: three and a half hours on the lake's central island, then two and a half hours along the Cyberjaya Lakefront.

The students collected six bags of waste: two of dry leaves, two of plastic and two of paper, with no hazardous waste found. Between phases, they interviewed park users about litter and how they would like the park to be looked after, and turned the interviews into montage videos for a social-media campaign of around 50 posts. The interviews pointed to two litter hotspots: the jetty on the central island and the food-truck area by the lakefront, where bins overflow at weekends.

The group shared a map of the two hotspots with MP Sepang, which has since added bins and a weekend collection at the lakefront food-truck area. The group also made a donation to Pusat Jagaan Al-Fikrah Malaysia, extending the day's work beyond the park.



Factfile

WHEN 21 November 2025
WHERE Taman Tasik Cyberjaya and Cyberjaya Lakefront
WITH Majlis Perbandaran Sepang
REACH Six bags of waste; two litter hotspots mapped
LED BY Young Mercy Group 1
INDICATORS 11.2.4 Public green spaces · 11.4.7 Collaboration with local authorities

WORKING WITH OUR LOCAL COUNCILS

Green Reboot: A Cleaner Lake Garden for Cyberjaya

CYBERJAYA · 26 MAY 2025



On 26 May 2025, the Environmental Volunteerism group '7 Eleven', advised by Mr Mohd Faiez bin Zaidon, spent the morning clearing litter around the lake garden at Taman Tasek Cyberjaya, one of the city's main public parks. The waste was separated on site, and the recyclables were delivered to the Cyberjaya Recycling Centre rather than sent to landfill. The group weighed every bag before drop-off: 38 kg in total, 21 kg of it recyclable plastic, cans and paper.

In the afternoon, the group moved to room R107 on campus for an upcycling workshop, where participants turned old T-shirts into shopping bags and worn cooler bags into pouches and cases, alongside a short talk on textile waste. Each participant left with a bag they had made themselves, and the T-shirt bag pattern was shared on the University's student portal so others could follow it.

Keeping a shared public space clean is a joint effort between residents, institutions and the city. The group's waste figures were passed to the University's facilities office and added to the campus waste and recycling log, and were also shared with Majlis Perbandaran Sepang to help it plan bin placement around the lake garden.



Factfile

WHEN 26 May 2025
WHERE Taman Tasek Cyberjaya and campus
WITH Cyberjaya Recycling Centre
REACH 38 kg of waste removed, 21 kg recycled
LED BY Environmental Volunteerism group '7 Eleven'
INDICATORS 11.4.7 Collaboration with local authorities · 11.2.4 Public green spaces

SECTION 02

02

Shared Spaces for Everyone

Caring for the parks and gardens that city residents share.

IN THIS SECTION

— *Clearing the Drains of a City Park*
— *Growing Together in the City: Kebun Komuniti Hartamas*

SHARED SPACES FOR EVERYONE

Clearing the Drains of a City Park

KUALA LUMPUR · 31 MAY 2025



In a city, blocked drains quickly become flooded streets. On 31 May 2025, the Environmental Volunteerism group 'The Psykick' spent the day at Taman Melawati River Three SDG Park, a public park beside Sungai Klang, with the Alliance of River Three (ART!) and its co-founder, Syuen, clearing drains so water could flow freely.

After a safety briefing and an SDG talk, the volunteers picked up rubbish along the trails, drains and nearby road, weeded and prepared beds for native pollinator plants, tidied the garden and collected dry leaves for mulch. Every participant who completed the post-activity survey said they had become more concerned about the environment and would volunteer again. Clearing the main drain behind the park removed an estimated 20 kg of leaves, plastic and sediment, and water was flowing freely again by the end of the morning.

The group made a short video on how household rubbish blocks drains and pollutes rivers, which ART! now shares with residents of Taman Melawati in its community WhatsApp groups. Well-kept public parks like River Three give city residents green space and help protect their neighbourhoods from flash floods.



Factfile

WHEN 31 May 2025

WHERE Taman Melawati River Three SDG Park, Kuala Lumpur

WITH Alliance of River Three (ART!)

REACH Drains to Sungai Klang cleared; video shared with residents

LED BY Environmental Volunteerism group 'The Psykick'

INDICATORS 11 Urban flood resilience · 11.2.4 Public green spaces

SHARED SPACES FOR EVERYONE

Growing Together in the City: Kebun Komuniti Hartamas

KUALA LUMPUR · 20 DECEMBER 2025



Urban community gardens give city residents a shared green space, fresh food and a place to meet their neighbours. On 20 December 2025, ten members of the Environmental Volunteerism group 'LazyPotato' spent the day at Kebun Komuniti Hartamas in Sri Hartamas, Kuala Lumpur, working with the garden's community members.

The students tended the garden's banana plants, removing excess suckers and yellowing leaves and composting the cuttings, then weeded and fertilised the beds and planted and watered new crops. They donated RM150 to the garden and posted TikTok videos to encourage others to get involved. One of the garden's long-time volunteers, a retired teacher, showed the students how to tell a healthy banana sucker from one that should be removed, a lesson several of them filmed for their videos.

Inspired by the visit, the group proposed a small edible garden on campus, and the first beds of herbs and vegetables, grown without chemical pesticides, now supply the campus cafeteria. Kebun Komuniti Hartamas has agreed to advise the University on the project and to host Environmental Volunteerism groups each semester.



Factfile

WHEN 20 December 2025
WHERE Kebun Komuniti Hartamas, Kuala Lumpur
WITH Kebun Komuniti Hartamas
REACH 10 volunteers; campus edible garden started
LED BY Environmental Volunteerism group 'LazyPotato'
INDICATORS 11.2.4 Green spaces · urban community farming

SECTION 03

03

Resilient Communities

Standing with families after fires and floods, and making homes safer for children.

IN THIS SECTION

— *Hearts for Heights: Standing with Putra Heights After the Fire*
— *Packed with Hope: Supplies for Families After the Floods*
— *Safer Homes for Children in Muar and Sepang*

RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

Hearts for Heights: Standing with Putra Heights After the Fire

SUBANG JAYA, SELANGOR · 12 APRIL 2025



When the gas-pipeline fire tore through Putra Heights in April 2025, hundreds of residents were forced from their homes overnight. On 12 April 2025, seven Young Mercy students and three University staff, working with the University's Department of Disaster & Relief Medicine, went to Masjid Putra Heights, which had become a temporary evacuation centre (PPS), to support the families sheltering there.

Working alongside officers from Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM), the team handed out hygiene kits containing soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, wet tissues, combs and nail-care sets to 305 displaced residents. With MyCARE-KEMAS, the students also offered psychological first aid and active listening to families coming to terms with the loss of their homes, and helped clean the evacuation centre so it stayed safe and hygienic for everyone sheltering there. The team was assigned by JKM to the centre's family section, where most of the young children and elderly residents were housed.

Disasters test how well a community can respond and recover. Following the response, JKM added the University to its register of volunteer partners for future emergencies in the Subang Jaya district, and the Department of Disaster & Relief Medicine now runs a psychological first-aid course for every Young Mercy cohort so that students are ready to deploy.

Factfile

WHEN 12 April 2025
WHERE Masjid Putra Heights evacuation centre, Subang Jaya
WITH Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM); MyCARE-KEMAS
REACH 305 displaced residents
LED BY Young Mercy students with the Department of Disaster & Relief Medicine
INDICATORS 11 Resilient communities (disaster response) · 11.4.7 Collaboration with local and government authorities

RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

Packed with Hope: Supplies for Families After the Floods

CYBERJAYA · 5 DECEMBER 2025



After their morning class on 5 December 2025, ten students from Young Mercy Group 9 turned room UG05 at the University of Cyberjaya into a packing station for 'Hands of Hope: Serve, Share, Sustain', a project to give practical help to communities hit by disaster.

With money they had raised themselves, the group bought hygiene items and school supplies: toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, notebooks and 48 packs of sanitary pads. They packed and checked every item before handing the boxes to the University's Department of Disaster & Relief Medicine at the Welcome Centre. The kits were later sent to families displaced by the year-end floods in Kelantan, where the department's relief team was supporting evacuation centres.

Helping communities recover from disaster is a shared effort. The Department of Disaster & Relief Medicine has since made sanitary pads a standard item in every hygiene kit it prepares. The group hopes to make the drive a regular part of the Young Mercy calendar.



Factfile

WHEN 5 December 2025
WHERE University of Cyberjaya; relief centres in Kelantan
WITH Department of Disaster & Relief Medicine
REACH Flood-displaced families in Kelantan
LED BY Young Mercy Group 9
INDICATORS 11 Resilient communities (disaster relief)

RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

Safer Homes for Children in Muar and Sepang

MUAR AND SEPANG · 16–26 JANUARY 2025



A safe city starts with safe homes. In January 2025, Year 3 MBBS students from Group 4, supervised by Dr Norhafizah Ab Manan, surveyed 249 guardians of children aged 0 to 18 in Kampung Baru Sepang Jaya and Kampung Parit Bakar, Muar. They found that 28.4% of children had been injured, and that falls accounted for 68.8% of those injuries.

The students then ran two community events: at SK Parit Bakar Tengah, Muar, on 16 January, and at Taman Sri Sepang on 26 January. Klinik Kesihatan Parit Bakar gave a talk on preventing childhood injury, and local emergency medical technicians helped run first-aid, CPR and fire-drill demonstrations, emergency simulations and free health checks. About 200 households took home a printed home-safety checklist covering stairs, windows, medicines and kitchen hazards.

The findings were shared with the district health offices in Sepang and Muar and taken into account in their planning of community health programmes for low-income households. Klinik Kesihatan Parit Bakar has since included the home-safety checklist in its child-health clinic sessions.



Factfile

WHEN 16–26 January 2025

WHERE Parit Bakar, Muar and Kampung Sepang Jaya, Sepang

WITH Klinik Kesihatan Parit Bakar; Yakult Malaysia; local emergency medical teams

REACH 249 guardians surveyed; about 200 households

LED BY MBBS Year 3 Community Medicine students

INDICATORS 11 Safe homes and communities · collaboration with local health authorities

SECTION 04

04

Culture and Heritage

Keeping Malaysia's living traditions alive on campus, and recording them for the future.

IN THIS SECTION

— *Keeping a Ramadan Tradition Alive: Bubur Lambuk on Campus*

CULTURE AND HERITAGE

Keeping a Ramadan Tradition Alive: Bubur Lambuk on Campus

CYBERJAYA · 19 MARCH 2025



Bubur lambuk, the spiced rice porridge cooked in giant pots and shared during Ramadan, is one of Malaysia's best-loved food traditions. On 19 March 2025, the Elite Cyberjaya Huffaz Organization (ECHO), advised by Miss Maisarah Thulhuda binti Mat Jafri, kept that tradition alive at the University of Cyberjaya with 'Bubur Lambuk Lord 2025', the second year of the club's initiative.

Preparation began before dawn, with volunteers taking turns stirring giant pots with wooden paddles almost as tall as they were. The porridge was served free from the UG Courtyard. Nearly a thousand containers were handed out before sunset, to Muslim students preparing to break their fast and to non-Muslim friends and staff who joined the queue out of curiosity and stayed to chat. For students far from home, it was a taste of the kampung tradition they grew up with.

This year, ECHO also recorded the traditional recipe and the communal cooking process on video, with interviews with two older staff members who learned the method in their home villages; the recording is now kept in the University library's digital collection as part of its record of campus cultural traditions. ECHO plans to keep the tradition going and to count servings and collect feedback in future years.

Factfile

WHEN 19 March 2025
WHERE UG Courtyard, University of Cyberjaya
WITH Student and staff volunteers
REACH Nearly 1,000 servings
LED BY Elite Cyberjaya Huffaz Organization (ECHO)
INDICATORS 11.2.5 Arts and heritage contribution · 11.2.6 Recording and preserving cultural heritage

University of Cyberjaya

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