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SHAH ALAM: Giant has set up a recruitment, training and job placement programme, aimed at empowering MyKasih recipients to become financially independent.

Hypermarket retailer and GCH Retail Malaysia Sdn Bhd, the owner of Giant, one of MyKasih Foundation's earliest partners to bring food aid to low income households, has expanded its support via the programme for members of recipient families.

"We believe in helping those from low income households earn a better living. We hope that by working with Giant, the MyKasih recipients are able to receive a stable income and no longer need to be dependent on food aid," said GCH Retail (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd General Manager of Marketing Norine Erica Majaman.

A series of job interviews for MyKasih recipient families were held at three Giant hypermarkets - Puchong, Batu Caves and Cheras.

Of the 40 MyKasih applicants interviewed, eight have been offered jobs and started working at the Giant outlets closest to their homes. Applications are still being processed for the remaining applicants.

"Our team of dedicated trainers will provide them with the necessary knowledge and skills required for the jobs offered to them. All they need to do is take that first step and remain committed to wanting a better life for themselves and their family," she added.

Both part-time and full-time positions were offered in the areas of cashiering, bakery, ready-to-eat outlets, as well as security, IT officer and barista; with a salary range of RM900-RM2,500.

Successful full-time hires would also receive employees' provident fund (EPF), social security organisation (Socso)

and medical entitlements, depending on position, qualification, experience and mobility.

Chairman and Co-Founder of MyKasih Foundation Dr Ngau Boon Keat thanked Giant for their sensitivity and awareness towards the plight of the poor.

"We hope that Giant will continue to offer job opportunities to the MyKasih recipients throughout the country," said Dr Ngau.

In July 2013, Giant made a cash contribution of RM500,000 to MyKasih Foundation to support the Foundation's mission of helping the poor through food aid and education.

Norine said: "Giant is pleased to extend our partnership with MyKasih Foundation to reach out to more communities. Our strategically-located outlets nationwide support the 'Love My Neighbourhood' food aid programme which serves MyKasih beneficiaries from urban and suburban low income households - typically families with children and other dependants.

"Giant Hypermarket Bandar Kinrara, Puchong first joined the programme as its retail partner in July 2009. Since then 58 of Giant's outlets now serve welfare beneficiaries under the MyKasih food aid programme.

"We are committed to this partnership and are happy to play our role as a distribution outlet where recipient families have easy access to daily necessities at everyday low prices.

"In line with our corporate responsibility objective to help the poor, we are contributing a percentage from the sales of goods purchased through this programme to MyKasih Foundation to help further the Foundation's community development activities," Norine added.

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Norine presenting the mock cheque of RM500,000 to MyKasih's Siti Khairon Shariff.