



Cost-Of-Living Support 2026: The Household Dates Singaporeans Should Track

Description

Cost-of-living support 2026 is easier to use when you treat it as a calendar rather than a single headline. The official gov.sg cost-of-living page and MOF's April 2026 release point to several forms of help: U-Save rebates, Service & Conservancy Charges rebates, CDC vouchers and cash support later in the year.

For households, the practical task is to know what arrives automatically, what must be claimed, and which date matters. A benefit that lands quietly in a utilities account works differently from a voucher that someone in the household must claim with Singpass and spend before expiry.

U-Save And S&CC Rebates

MOF said more than 1 million Singaporean HDB households would receive U-Save and S&CC rebates in April 2026, the first quarterly disbursement for FY2026. The rebates are part of the permanent GST Voucher scheme and help lower- and middle-income HDB households offset utilities expenses and town council charges.

For April 2026, eligible households received up to S\$190 in GSTV U-Save rebates, depending on flat type. MOF also said additional U-Save rebates announced at Budget 2026 would be provided in April and July 2026 on top of regular GSTV U-Save rebates.

Across FY2026, eligible Singaporean HDB households can receive up to S\$570 in U-Save rebates. The total differs by flat type: 1- and 2-room households receive the highest amount, while executive or multi-generation flats receive a lower total.

S&CC rebates also run through the year. MOF said eligible households can receive up to 3.5 months of S&CC rebates in FY2026, again depending on flat type. These rebates are credited to the relevant accounts rather than paid out as cash.

CDC Vouchers And Claiming Behaviour



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2026

Apr to Jun

- U-Save **\$110 to \$**
- S&CC R **0.5 or 1 m**
- **CDC Vo** **\$500**

Jul to Sep

- U-Save **\$110 to \$**
- S&CC R **0.5 or 1 m**
- Child Li **\$500**
- Cash [gs] **\$450 or**
- MediSav **\$150 to**
- **Cash [co** **\$400 to**

Oct to Dec

- U-Save **\$55 to \$**
- S&CC R **0.5 or 1 m**
- CPF Top **\$500 to**
- Cash [AP] **\$100 to**

2027

Jan to

- U-Save

The official gov.sg support calendar summarises enhanced support for Singaporeans.

CDC vouchers work differently because a household member must claim and use them digitally. The January 2026 CDC Vouchers tranche is worth S\$300 for every Singaporean household, split between participating heartland merchants and hawkers, and participating supermarkets.

The key date is 31 December 2026, when the January 2026 CDC vouchers expire. That gives households time, but it also creates a risk: people forget because the deadline feels far away. It is worth checking now whether your household has claimed the vouchers and whether the link has been shared with the person who usually buys groceries or meals.

For daily budgeting, split the vouchers by spending pattern. If groceries are the pain point, preserve the supermarket portion for bigger household shops. If cooked meals are the pressure point, use the merchant and hawker portion in neighbourhood routines rather than treating it as a special outing.

The official gov.sg Budget 2026 page also states that S\$500 CDC vouchers have been brought forward to June 2026 as part of enhanced support. Households should watch the official claim channel when that tranche opens.

Cash Support And Scam Checks



gov.sg's cost-of-living page includes practical household saving content.

A Cost-of-Living Special Payment of S\$400 to S\$600 is due in September 2026 as enhanced support. Because cash payouts attract scam attempts, households should rely on official channels and avoid links sent through unexpected messages.

MOF's April release makes the scam point plainly: government officials will never ask members of the public to transfer money or disclose banking details over a phone call. Anyone unsure can call the 24/7 ScamShield Helpline at 1799.

That warning is not filler. Support schemes create predictable moments when people expect money, vouchers or rebates. Scammers exploit that expectation by making fake claim pages, urgent messages or calls that sound administrative.

For older family members, the safest habit is simple: do not click links from messages claiming to speed up government payouts. Use official websites, Singpass routes and known agency hotlines. If a relative

is unsure, pause the transaction and check together.

Rachel Ng's Money Read

Cost-of-living support does not remove the need for a household budget, but it can smooth the months when utilities, groceries and service charges pile up. The trick is to assign each support item a job instead of letting it disappear into general spending.

U-Save should be read against utility bills. S&CC rebates should be read against town council charges. CDC vouchers should be read against meals and groceries. Cash support should be read against the household's highest-pressure category, whether that is transport, medical bills, school costs or a buffer for irregular work.

The most useful household move is to create a simple 2026 support note. List the automatic rebates, claimed vouchers, expiry dates and expected payout month. This is especially helpful for multi-generation homes where one person pays utilities, another buys groceries and another handles online claims.

Support measures are meant to ease pressure, not encourage rushed spending. If a voucher has a long expiry, use it in normal routines. If a rebate reduces a bill, consider moving the freed-up cash toward the category that has been causing the most stress.

For renters and extended households, it is also worth clarifying who actually benefits from each item. A U-Save credit sits in the utilities account, while CDC vouchers sit with the person who claimed the household link. A five-minute family check can prevent confusion when bills and grocery trips are handled by different people.

The Household Checklist

The main 2026 dates to keep in mind are the quarterly U-Save and S&CC rebate months, the 31 December 2026 CDC voucher expiry for the January tranche, the June 2026 CDC voucher support mentioned on gov.sg, and the September 2026 Cost-of-Living Special Payment.

The money move is not complicated: check what has already arrived, claim what requires action, share voucher links only within the household, and treat official payment periods as scam-watch periods.

That small calendar habit is especially useful before July and September, when the next major household credits and cash support become easier to miss amid normal bills.

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Official links: [gov.sg Cost of Living page](#), [MOF April 2026 U-Save and S&CC release](#).

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