

HOW DOES THE GST INCREASE SUPPORT THE LOWER-INCOME?

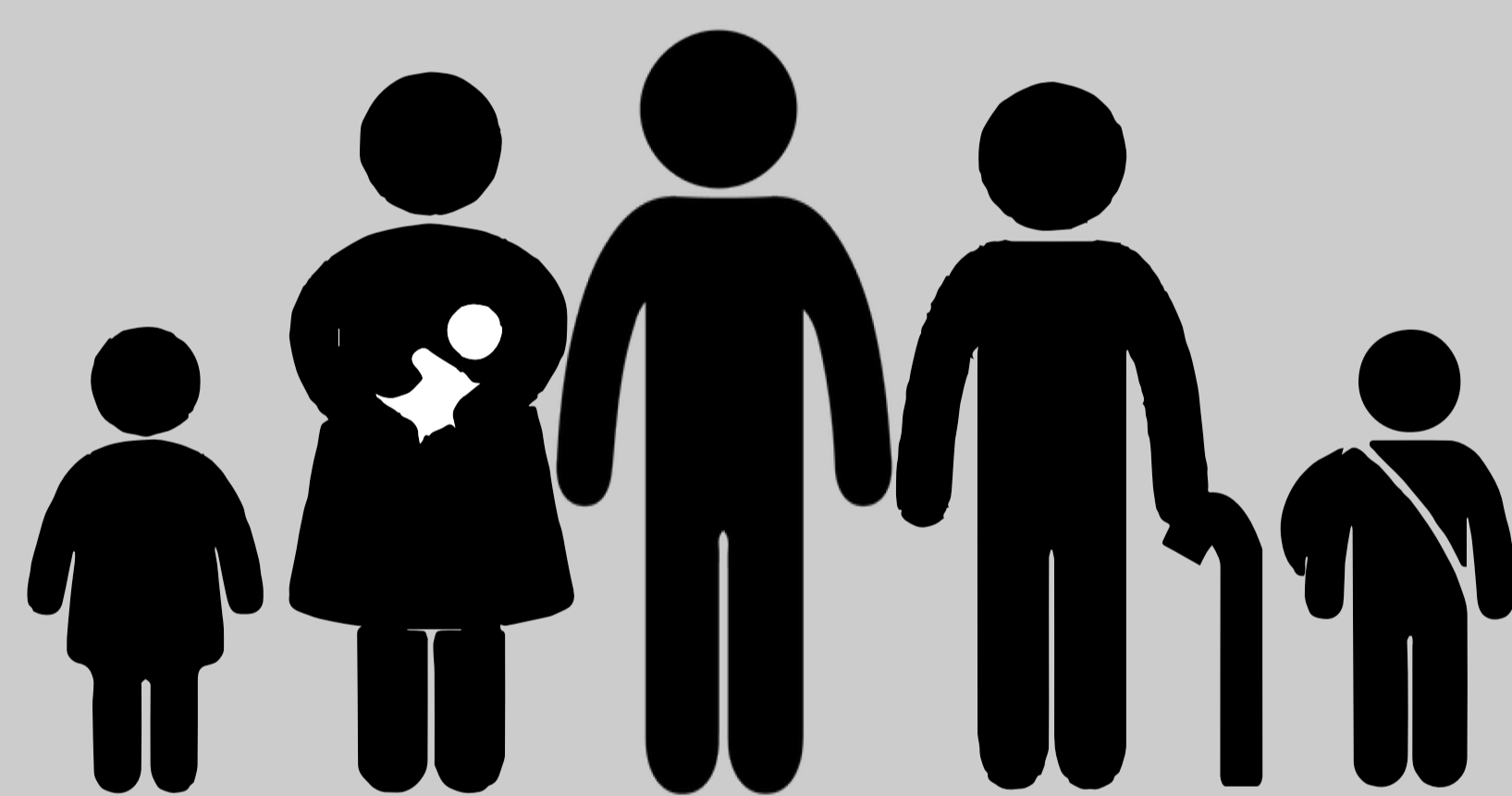
The GST increase supports public spending, with more help given to the lower-income.

GST is payable when goods and services are **consumed**.

This means that **those who spend more, pay more GST**.



The Government uses **GST revenue** to help the lower-income.



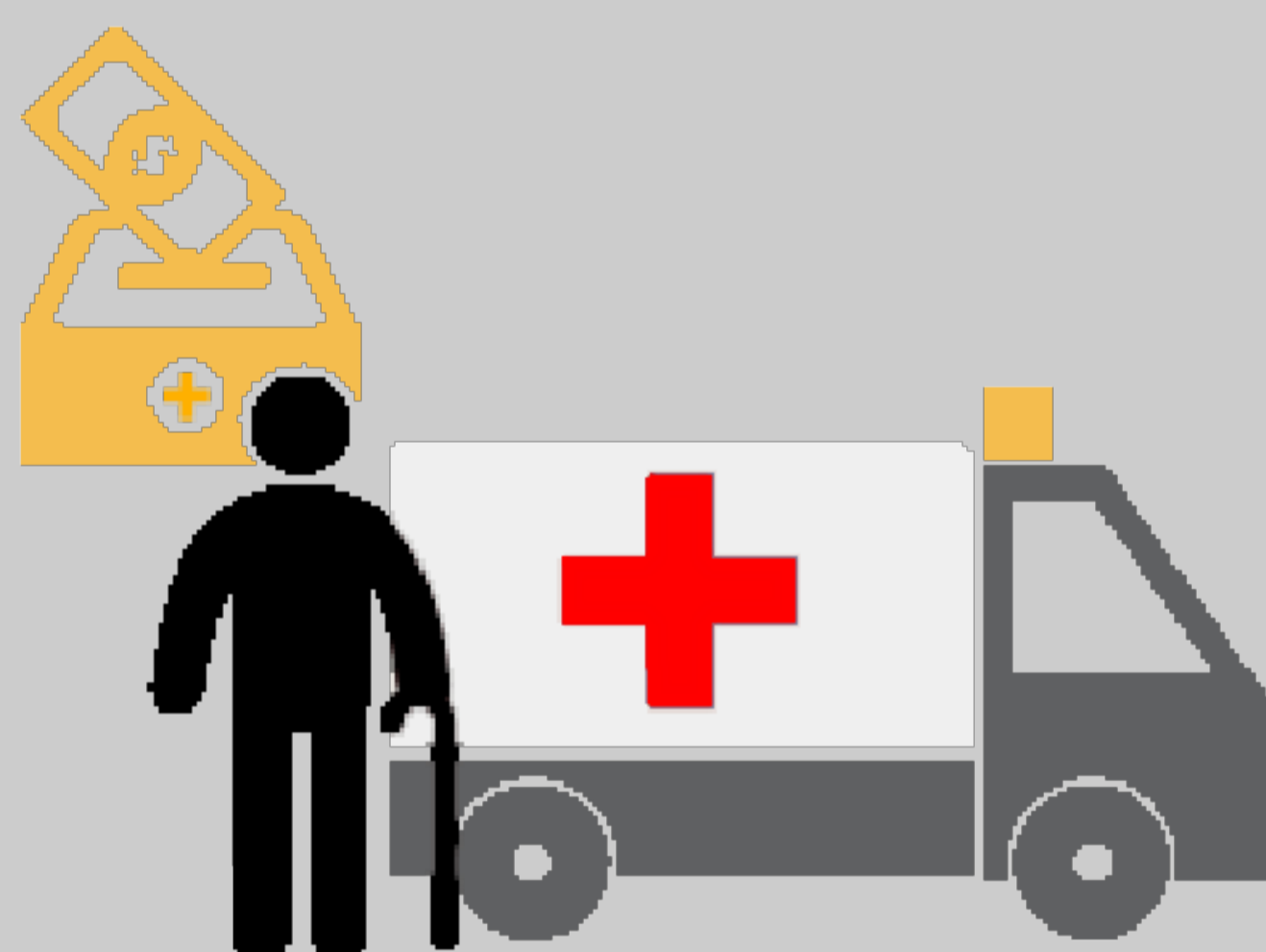
The **GST Voucher** scheme gives help to lower- and middle-income Singaporeans to **offset part of their GST expenses**.

Assistance is given in the form of:

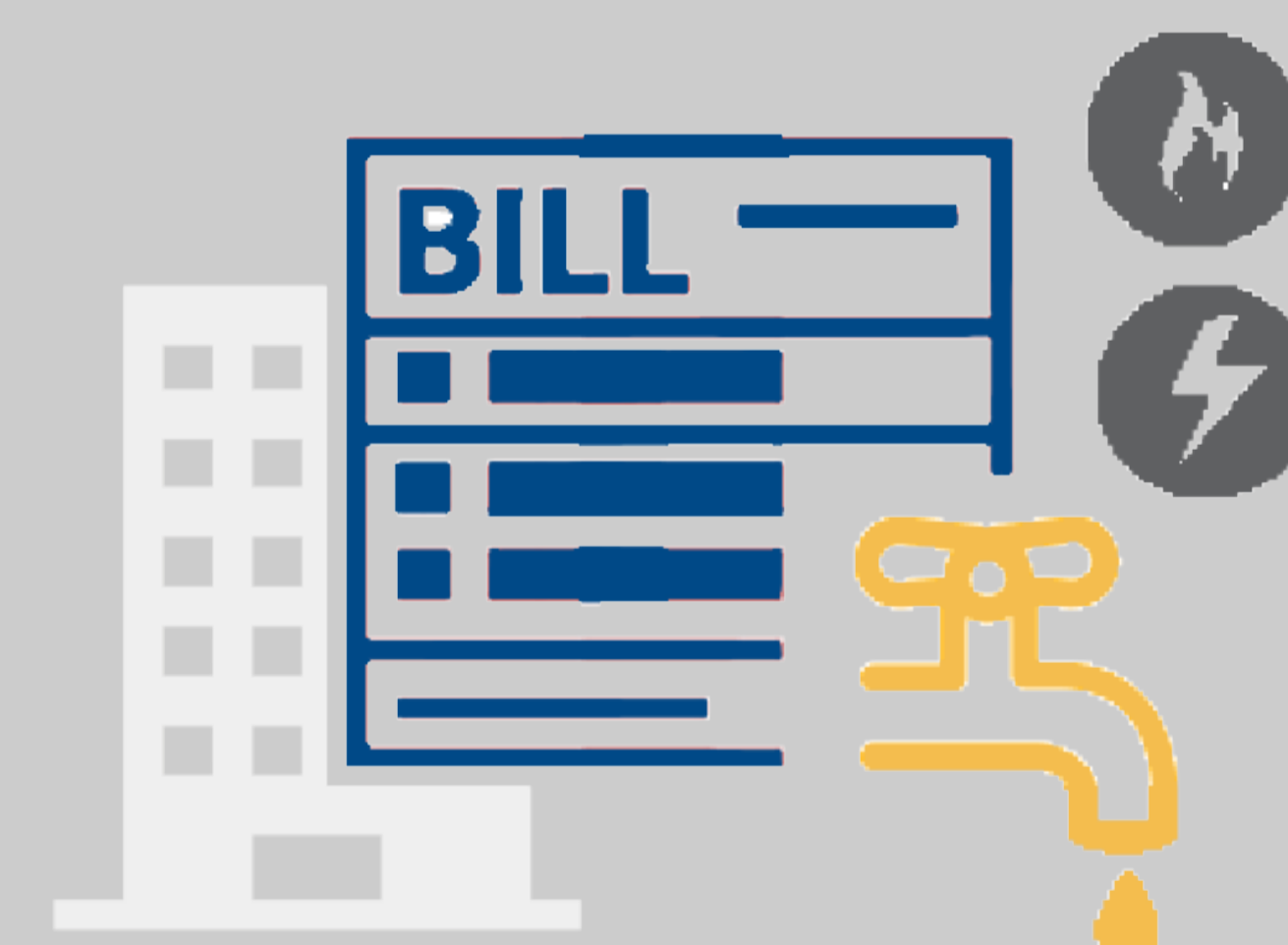
A **Cash** for the lower-income



B **MediSave top-ups** for the elderly



C **U-Save** for eligible HDB households to offset utilities bills



The GST Voucher scheme and other social assistance schemes work hand in hand with GST.

An **offset package** will be implemented to help Singaporeans adjust to the GST increase. **More support** will be given to lower- and middle-income households to **cushion the impact of the increase**.