



2018 Annual Report

Hong Kong Church Network for the Poor



Connection · Partnership · Unity

Vision

Our Lord has heard the cry of the under-privileged people in Hong Kong, it's He who calls His people, sends them into communities of the poor: walk humbly with God, act justly and love mercy; speak according to the truth, act from a caring heart to manifest the witness of our church in trinity.

Mission

By establishing network platforms for its partners in the community, "Hong Kong Network for the Poor" collaborates with them to serve the poor and transform communities through relief, transformation and reformation of poverty. In consideration of the structural poverty problem in Hong Kong, we are committed to alleviating territory-wide poverty through providing structural solution. With an emphasis on the process of empowerment and mentorship, HKCNP's services, which combine knowledge and caring, are trusted by its partners for helping them in building the ability to serve the community in order to achieve the objectives of eradicating the wealth gap and stabilizing the society.



HKCNP proactively liaise with churches, institutes and schools, and 500 thousand Christians to establish a Hong Kong-wide poverty relief network.

1300+ Churches

1400+ Christian NGOs and Schools

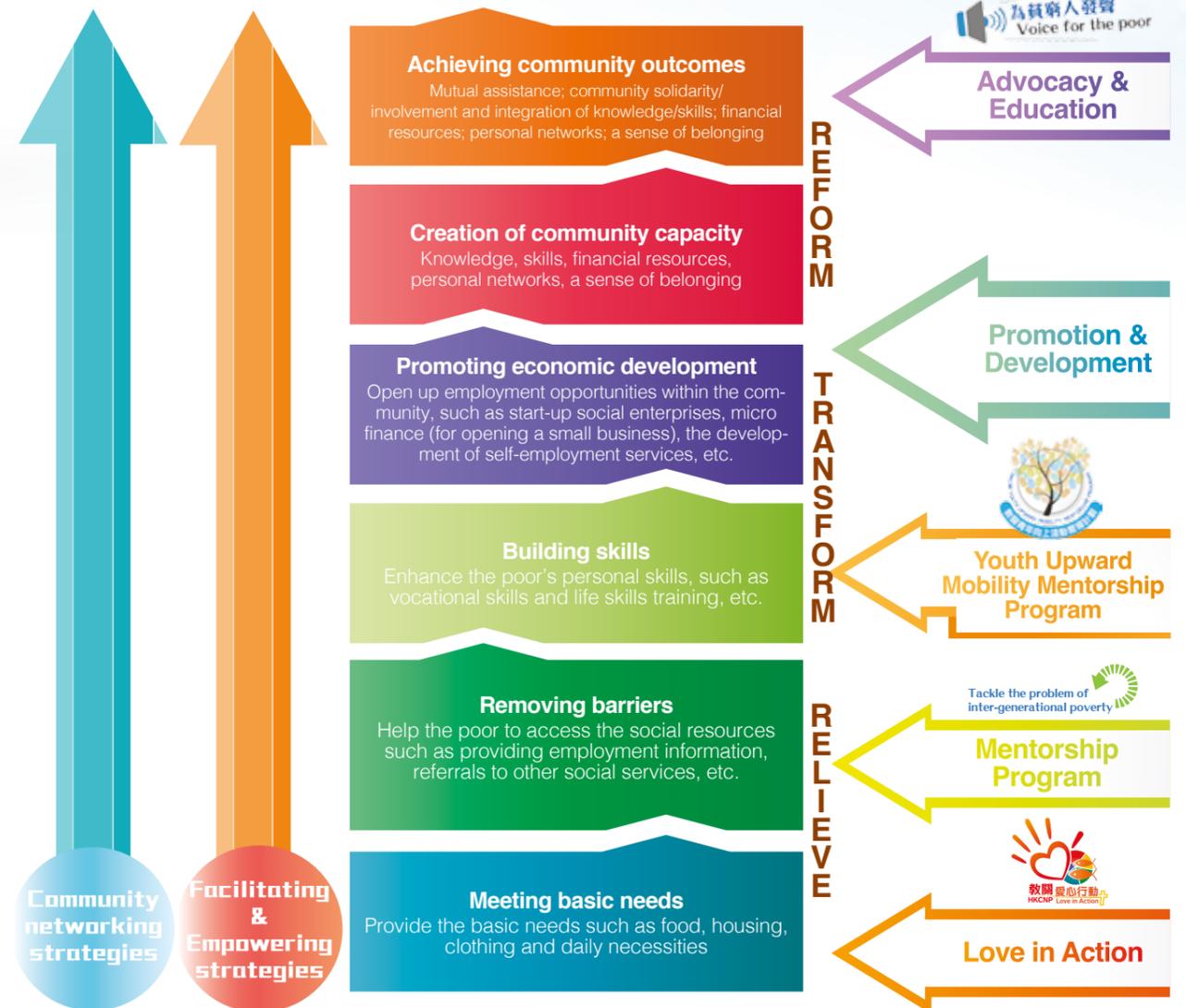
500,000+ Christians

Business representatives and professionals from various industries

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.

The missions of Lord Jesus on earth were mentioned in "Gospel of Luke": To bring good news to the poor, free the imprisoned and the suppressed, and to restore the eye sight of the blind. The Lord empowers everyone and equips the residents of a community with the abilities to tackle their own problems and manage their lives, so as to achieve all-round development in the physical, psychological and

spiritual domains, and improve various aspects of the community (health, education, work, relationship). By doing so, everyone, no matter the poor or the rich, can have his/her life transformed and live a life fulfilling the Lord's will for creation, while the community becomes a place manifesting the kingdom of the Lord.



The Network of Poverty Relief Networks with Prayers

That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. John 17:21

The primary mission of HKCNP in the past was to relieve poverty at the frontline. We stumbled along the way and came to this stage by making incessant attempts. However, in the light of the needs of the times, the direction of HKCNP has changed a bit. Noticing the overwhelming need of churches for networking and collaboration, HKCNP took a backseat and acted as a bridge to connect frontline churches in Hong Kong while backing up their frontline development ministry. By connecting churches in Hong Kong, the needy can be served in unity with the love of Jesus Christ.

Each of the creation of the Lord is fairly gifted that no one is "congenitally" poor. It is just that some of the gifts as yet unexplored and unutilized, which caused poverties in later lives and values in varying degrees. The problem of poverty is deeply entrenched in Hong Kong that there are grassroots with scanty resources but abundant spiritual life, as well as affluent people with impoverished spirit. Therefore, the target group of "poverty" relief work can no longer be determined by the amount of resources owned. No single poverty relief work can eliminate poverty. Long-term and effective "blessings" of the grassroots by churches are needed to help the underprivileged "break away" from physical and spiritual "poverties" and explore their own gifts, so as to live a more abundant life and get rid of poverty truly.

Churches are not immune to the problem. It is HKCNP's current objective to provide churches with insight into the severities of "poverties" in various aspects to trigger responses. Churches are rapidly developing today, as well as their diversified and more onerous ministries. Pray that the Lord who gives grace and peace would lead our way in assisting the church network in entering communities, enhancing recognition of the need to serve the poor by pastors in churches and commencing external services. It is



hoped that we no longer just guard the flocks in front of us but open the door of churches to provide pastoral care to the stray lambs in need outside. Poverty relief work cannot be performed on a whim. I very much hope that Christians would continuously practice good neighbourliness in their lifetimes and care for their communities.

During the past years, thanks to pastors and followers from our partner churches who love and serve the Lord, leaders and fellows of institutes, mentors in schools who are enthusiastic about serving teenagers, representatives of enterprises who contribute their expertise and the trusted volunteer ambassadors and Christian groups who walk and co-labor with us, HKCNP was able to launch various services and anti-poverty campaign smoothly. I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to them. May the Lord bless them! I am particularly grateful to the directors, committee members and fellows of the three founding organizations of HKCNP - Hong Kong Chinese Christian Churches Union, Hong Kong Christian Council and Hong Kong Church Renewal Movement, for their prayers and support. HKCNP and its partners were united in the Lord and connected with Christ. It is hoped that we can continue to let more grass-roots families receive the grace of the Lord and have their lives transformed in the coming year!

Rev. Li Ping-Kwong, SBS
(Chairman of HKCNP)



HKCNP Executive Committee Retreat



The Board of Directors of HKCNP and the chairmen of the three founding organizations (Rev. Woo Ming-tim, Rev. So Shing Yit, Eric and Rev. Luk Fai) exchanged views on poverty relief work and the direction of HKCNP while dining together



HKCNP Board of Directors Retreat

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Cedar Fund	Child Development Matching Fund
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Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service	

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 HKCNP Youth Upward Mobility Mentorship Program Advisors: Dr. Ricky Szeto
 Post-Child Development Fund Program: Dr. Saimond Ip
 HKCNP Love-in-Action: Dr. William Chen
 "10.17 Fasta-Meal" Movement: Mr. Chris Yiu, Ms. Pauline Chan

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We are thankful for the guidance of Lord to collaborate with numerous parties in Hong Kong, develop ministries to bless the poor and empower them to serve!

Child Development Fund Mentorship Program

- 17 projects were approved and sponsored in 2018 with \$1.21 million of sponsorship and
- 1450 poor children were benefitted

Tackle the problem of inter-generational poverty



HKCNP Love in Action

- With donations from our partners,
- 15229 people were benefitted from food donations
 - 4255 people were benefitted from services provided
 - 7326 people were benefitted from resources provided

HKCNP Youth Upward Mobility Mentorship Program

- 37 mentees participated in the program in 2018
- 14 of the first batch of mentees graduated
- 13 of them attained qualifications comparable to Level 3 under the Qualifications Framework or professional qualifications



Peace Box Campaign

- Liaised by HKCNP,
- 19 partners donated 1783 boxes of gift in total and
 - 34 partners distributed 5684 boxes of gift in total

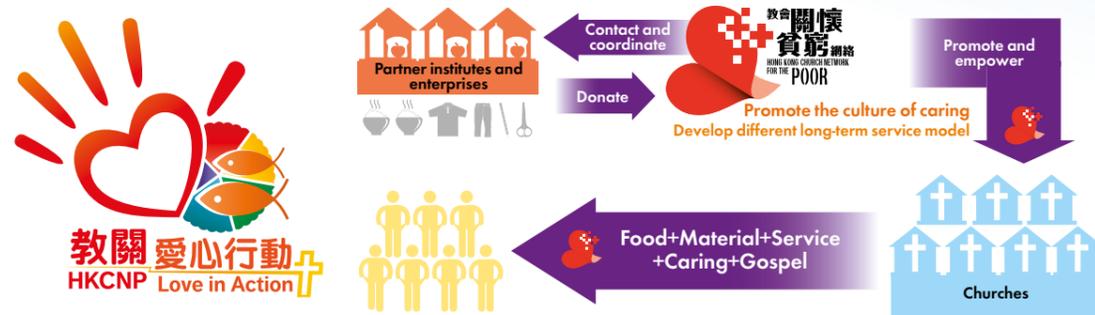


The total number of groups, such as churches, institutes, schools and enterprises, participated in HKCNP programs or partnered with us in each district:

1339

Love in Action

“Love in Action” aims at fulfilling the basic needs of poor people, which serves as the cornerstone of “poverty alleviation, poverty eradication and poverty prevention”. By empowering them, the whole community can be transformed at last. All sectors are welcomed to join “Love in Action” that everyone can make their own contributions to bless the grassroots in need and give them warmth. By facilitating community cohesion, the needy can get support constantly and tackle the problem of inter-generational poverty in the long term.



Save the Starved Campaign *Sponsored by Lions Clubs International

I am grateful to Hong Kong Church Network for the Poor which arranged for my lunches to be prepared by charitable organizations every week to alleviate the financial burden of my family. I was so touched by its service concept that it let people in the community work for and help each other because of the love of God. Though I am still young, I donated my spare clothes to children in Africa to echo the clothing donation program in school. What I can do at the moment is limited, but I will always remember how I am moved now to encourage myself to study harder so as to dedicate yourself to the society when I grow up.

— A Beneficiary Student



Family Service Tour

Connecting EFCC Kong Fok Church, Hong Kong Christian Shuen Tao Church and Mission To New Arrivals, HKCNP co-organized a 2-day Family Service Tour in Easter.

- Day 1** 10 families from the Child Department of Kong Fok Church participated in a meal delivery visit for elderly and the homeless held by Shuen Tao Church. The volunteer families arrived Shuen Tao Church early for venue decoration and food preparation. During lunch time, the volunteers hosted games and distributed Peace Boxes to the elderlies and the homeless. The elderlies and the homeless were accompanied home after lunch by the volunteers, who chatted and shared their lives with the needy. After the function, Kong Fok Church prepared a Good Friday activity for the children to link the experience of regional service to Bible study.
- Day 2** The families joined an activity organized by Mission To New Arrivals experiencing the life of a scavenger. Fellows of Mission To New Arrivals first shared the situation of the recycling industry with the participants to let them understand the fact that elderlies who trade cardboards are oppressed and can hardly earn money from it. The participants then collected cardboards in the streets of Mong Kok. The children dared to ask the shops for cardboards and finally they went to the rear lanes and side lanes to give the elderlies the cardboards they collected, at the same time to find out more about those elderlies' lives.

For the details of more “Love in Action” involving collaborations with our partners, please contact Ms Brenda Li of HKCNP (brendali@hkcnp.org.hk).

Peace Box Campaign

Since 2014, HKCNP has been taking advantage of Easter, which is an exhilarating festival, to advocate peace and love. By collecting Peace Boxes, care and love were delivered to grass-roots families, elderlies, street sleepers, the poor, the disabled and children with illness to let them feel loved and cared.

As a transit point of the campaign, HKCNP encouraged churches, schools, institutes and enterprises to produce finely-made gift boxes and collect them for the organizer while delivered the gift boxes to other churches for giving away to grass-roots families and people in need through frontline service ministries.



The Kwai Chung New Life Temple established the Neighborhood Center in 2013, which has been giving away free meals to the elderlies and families for 6 years. Apart from the gospel and meals provided in the canteen, Peace Boxes, which were supplied by HKCNP every year, were also given away to all sectors of the community. We would reallocate the contents of the Peace Boxes to the right residents in the community. This actually saved the church a big bill since their needs (biscuits, candies, toys, stationeries and daily necessities) could not be fulfilled by grass-roots churches. However, with this Peace Box Campaign, the church took a further step in the community towards the needy and was able to continue to care for them.

Those living in the neighborhood look forward to receiving these gifts every year. We could tell from the bright smiles of contentment they had on their faces that they had a sense of gratitude. After a few years of work, some of the residents who came to the church has already become Christians, baptized and joined the church or has become a catechumen. One of them shared with us that he came to take things originally, but after being evangelized, he became a Christian gradually. Thank HKCNP for making

effort in contacting and supporting the church all these years. It was actually all things work together for good to the people while God was glorified.

— Rev. LAW Siu-po
(Senior Pastor of Kwai Chung New Life Temple)

I have been giving away Peace Box in the Church of Grace in Resurrection for three years, but I can still see the faces of the receivers light up with surprise, excitement and gratefulness. I remember that I gave the Peace Boxes away to a group of primary school students. When they opened the boxes, all of them were saying “wow”, “this is so nice” and “I have wanted to have this for so long”, and the room was filled with gratefulness and joy suddenly.



Peace Box doesn't just contain objects but also the gratefulness and joy of the needy. By distributing Peace Boxes, love is shared.

— Pastor Chan
(The Church of Grace in Resurrection)

Child Development Fund Mentorship Program (CDF)

In 2007, HKCNP first launched the "Church Intensive Community Mentoring Pilot Program". The Government adopted the model later in 2008 and has cumulatively allocated \$900 million to establish and implement the "Children Development Fund", which aimed to offer long-term and sustainable help to the next generation. The policy utilized and integrated the resources gained from families, private institutes, the society and the Government effectively to provide disadvantaged children with support in long-term development, so as to facilitate their long-term personal development and help them lift themselves out of generational poverty. HKCNP participated actively through assisting mentor recruitment, sponsoring matching fund, coordinating joint functions, etc. In the 7 batches of district-based program and 4 batches of school-based program, HKCNP has sponsored 29 partners to take part in 70 projects, benefitting over 7000 mentees.



Sharing

When Siu Wai was asked about her dreams, she implicitly expressed that she had two dreams: to be a painter and a hairdresser.

I asked what kind of painter she wanted to become out of curiosity, she said that she wanted to be like Vincent van Gogh to have her creations showcased in various places. I thought that she was only daydreaming initially, but later I found that she was enthusiastic about art during the interview. In the last year of the program, she would use part of her saving in joining the art exchange program organized by the school to experience the arts and culture of Taiwan.

At the same time, she was planning to learn to use drawing tablets so as to unleash her creativity on the computer. When she was proficiently illustrating the functions and applications of drawing tablets, both her mum and I were very surprised. This program allowed Siu Wai to achieve different goals and pursue her dreams courageously.

— a parent of a mentee
(Chinese Y.M.C.A. Primary School)

A SEN student always had serious conflicts with his schoolmates when attending the functions, they even went to the police stations to handle the incidents. As a result, his parents would like to stop him from participating in the CDF program while the school and the church imposed disciplinary sanctions against the student. The student claimed that he "doesn't like the mentors" and "even if the schools or parents force me to attend the functions, I will never take part in them again. I will not come back next week" every time when he was punished. Teachers all knew about the situation. However, during these two years, the student had never missed the functions held every week.

Nevertheless, co-workers, mentors and teachers always met to discuss about the student and found that he actually liked his mentor very much that he regarded the mentor as the only real friend in life. Since he was a SEN student, he would have conflicts with others in school easily when he was participating in the mentorship program, but each time after the conflict, he actually understood that he was accepted and cared for by the mentor and therefore had built a strong friendship with the mentor.

Therefore, the whole mentorship program and the growth group helped the student develop his ability in navigating through adversities as he grew up, and there was also a mentor who could walk with him.

— Christian & Missionary Alliance Sun Kei Church

Post Child Development Fund Program (Post CDF)

The progress and content of activities of phase one of the project

The project was promoted in 4 districts in 2018 by connecting local partner churches and partner institutes (The Urban Peacemaker Evangelistic Fellowship, Christian Action, Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service, Jabez Community Centre), and activity points were set up. In 2018, 52 mentees participated in POST CDF project in total. It was expected that Jabez Community Centre would recruit 30 mentees in 2019.



Introduction and objectives of the project

- To further implement "Post CDF" in districts for the 14,000 teenagers in Hong Kong who completed "Children Development Fund Project" to extend the mentorship and establish a platform and network for exchange.
- Each of the two-year project perpetuates and reinforces the good mechanism of CDF. Mentees are matched with mentors, who walk with and care for the mentees to assist them in career planning after they finished CDF project and provide support continuously. Mentees are guided to further their studies in tertiary institutions or join the workforce to realize their potentials according to their academic results. By assisting mentors in guiding the growth of mentees, the project promotes development of mentees and enhances their upward mobility, so they are able to lift themselves out of generational poverty. In 2018, the graduates of the 5th phase of district-based program and the 3rd batch of school-based program were recruited first.



- To encourage the participation of more churches in the project and reflect the effectiveness of the project to the government, in the hope that more resources will be devoted.
- To assist mentees who did not obtain satisfactory results in HKDSE by introducing the "Youth Upward Mobility Mentorship Program" of HKCNP to them. To consolidate the mentorships with the youngsters and offer them help in sustainable development and growth. To provide ideal ways out and job opportunities, which equip youngsters at the grass-roots level for joining the workforce and promoting social upward mobility.

The 5th batch of district-based and the 3rd batch of school-based program	Post CDF target	District of implementation	Partner church	Number of mentees
The Urban Peacemaker Evangelistic Fellowship	F.2 - F.5 students	Tsuen Wan Tsing Yi Kwai Chung	Cherith Baptist Church	22
Christian Action	F.3 - F.6 students	Kwun Tong	Churches in Kwun Tong district	15
Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service	F.3 - F.6 students	Yau Tsim Mong / Kowloon City	Grace Hong Kong Evangelical Church	14
Jabez Community Centre	F.3 - F.5 students	Tseung Kwan O / Choi Hung	Church (Sun Kei Church/ Kei Shek Church)	Expected to be 30

Youth Upward Mobility Mentorship Program (YUM)



Six major objectives of YUM

- 1 Provide guidance to underprivileged youths to increase self-understanding, identify personal future direction; and set a plan to achieve
- 2 Transition from schools to workplace; acquire skills and experience from employment as a path for upward mobility
- 3 Continue to receive training and development to prepare for advancement, aimed to break for inter-generational poverty
- 4 Promote the mentorship culture through one-to-one Christian mentoring by experienced adults or group mentoring with peers
- 5 Encourage enterprises to actively participate and give back to the community
- 6 Advocate the government policy about youth upward mobility and supporting the poor

Content of YUM

Three major elements of the program – to initiate an operable, sustainable and expandable youth upward mobility program

HKCNP promotes mentorship culture

Employed professionals are trained and supported by HKCNP systematically to take up the posts of mentors in order to deliver positive values of the workplace, help students adapt to workplace culture, find their pathways, perform career planning, nurture positive attitude and self-confidence, so as to groom talents and improve the retention rate.

Continuing education course

Mentees can take courses at Qualifications Frameworks Level Three (or professional qualifications in the industries concerned) with the tuition fees subsidized to a large extent by employers after joining the companies for six months.

Enterprise

Provide full-time and part-time job opportunities with comprehensive in-service trainings and promotion prospects.



Sharing

Shook loose the shadow and rebuilt self-confidence as well as a promising prospect in work

Ah Kit (alias) was unable to pursue further education due to his unsatisfactory result in HKDSE and his family members suggested him to repeat Secondary Six as a private candidate. However, in the following year when he was supposed to sit for HKDSE for the second time, to everyone's surprise, he forgot to attend the first examination. He therefore simply attended none of the remaining examinations and all the time spent and efforts made were in vain. As a result, his result was worse than the previous year.



Though he abandoned himself, his social worker who cared for him did not abandon him by telling him that his prospect would not be all bleak just because of the unsatisfactory results of the public examinations. The social worker knew that he was interested in cooking so he encouraged Ah Kit

to join YUM and became an apprentice chef of Maxim's Chinese Cuisine. Apart from receiving in-service trainings, the program also enabled him to undertake professional trainings in Chinese Culinary Institute for free. Finally, he entered the industry as he wished through YUM to develop his profession.

After a few months of full-time working and training, he started to adapt to his new life, and, more importantly, his

attitude in dealing with matters and persons was changed. With a more positive outlook on life, he became more earnest and was willing to try new things. Here are his real thoughts which he shared with his friends:

- In these three months, though I made many mistakes, the company was still willing to give me chances! I arrived the company one hour earlier to learn everything from the beginning, and I would hold myself ready to work faster after I completed the trainings.
- I was the only one who was responsible for "Ta Ho" (the post which assisting the head chef) in the morning. I wasn't frustrated because of the hard work but seeing this as a chance to make progress which I must seize.
- A predecessor listened to my concerns and taught me about communication skills and teamwork, which relieved my pressure.
- I really like this job as I could learn practical skills while receiving salary and guidance from my predecessors and other chefs. Therefore, I enjoy the meaningful, lucky and happy life I am having very much.

YUM provides youngsters at the grass-roots level with chances to fulfil their potentials and rebuild their self-confidence through mentorship, work and even continuing education. They need our support and trust. They will become someone different as long as they are given a chance and faith.

*HKCNP hereby acknowledges Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service's support with great thanks.

Graduation of the first batch (2016)

23 mentees from the 1st YUM program joined the workforce initially. 14 of them completed the program after a 18 to 24-month period of training, which led to a completion rate of 60%. 13 of them attained relevant academic qualifications (Level Three of the Qualifications Framework) or professional qualifications with a completion rate of 56%.



Empirical study

HKCNP had commissioned a team led by Professor Paul YIP Siu-fai from the University of Hong Kong to conduct a comprehensive analysis regarding the effectiveness of YUM program. The study was conducted from May to August in 2018 covering the period from July 2016 to July 2018 and all stakeholders.

Mentee: 90% of them agreed that the program enhanced their job-specific skills while 76% of them agreed that the program facilitated their career development.

Partner enterprise: Agreed that the retention rate of YUM mentees is higher than non-YUM mentees of the same rank.

Mentor: Enhanced the connection with the society and youngsters, which increased their sense of satisfaction.

The study estimated that the Social Return on Investment (SROI) of this program was 4.2, which indicated that every \$1 invested delivered \$4.2 of social value as a return and showed that notable result had been achieved. The report deemed the program innovative and effective, which could significantly increase the ability of achieving upward mobility and development opportunities of youngsters.



HKCNP 10.10.10 Anti-Poverty Campaign

Work together to serve the grassroots and witness the love of Christ in unity

In 1992, the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution, in which it declared 17 October as the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty and invited all States to devote the Day to commemorate people living in poverty, fight against destitution collaboratively and tackle deficiency through concrete actions. HKCNP responded to the appeal by launching "HKCNP 10.10.10 Anti-Poverty Campaign" since 2012 to encourage groups to make concerted efforts to have everyone's human rights respected, enhance the abilities of the poor and the disadvantaged to defend themselves from disasters, pay attention to the needs of the poor and voice out for them by experiencing the work on poverty relief and taking actions to care for the poor.

10 as the month: Respond to the United Nations' call for International Day for the Eradication of Poverty on 17 October



10 as the time: Spend at least 10 minutes on learning about and commemorating the needs of the poor (including praying, reading news, information and books)

10 as the action: After understanding the situation of the poor, take action to care for them and support ministries (including donating multiples of 10 dollars for poverty relief and transformation work, spending 10 minutes on sharing the poverty problems with others and spending 10 hours on caring for neighbours, etc) as well as share information and raise money.

10.17 Fast-a-meal Art & Video Competition

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HKCNP Poverty Forum - Hope for Teens

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Sustain the momentum in 2019 to serve the community

We believe that there is still much room for development in the church network which allows us to expand the scale and effectiveness of our services. We very much hope that HKCNP can continue to collaborate with our partners in the coming year to enhance ministries, so as to benefit the poor and transform communities through the poverty relief network. We cordially invite churches continue to obey our Lord Jesus' commandment—love your neighbor as yourself, in unity in the coming year.



Thank God for his call and contact, as well as the joint effort of HKCNP Ambassadors and partners, which allow the scope of the anti-poverty movement to be extended to the whole society and His kingdom to be glorified in Hong Kong.

HKCNP Poverty Forum 2018 - Hope for Teens

The poverty forum attracted 320 local churches and institutes, about 400 pastors and institute fellows who serve the youngsters from Chinese and English-speaking churches shared the experience they gained in ministries providing pastoral care to the youngsters at the grass-roots level. The function allowed inter-denominational and united connection within the Lord regardless of the language used, and the connection was maximized with the heart of Jesus, which helped teenagers move upwards and live in abundance.

- Dr Philemon Choi Yuen Wan, the Vice Chairman of HKCNP, was invited to share the poverty relief message in the bible; a seminar was hosted by Chair Professor Paul Yip Siu-fai from the Department of Social Work and Social Administration of the University of Hong Kong, Emotional Intelligence Specialist Consultant Dr. Charles Yu Tak-shun and Mr. Cheng Ching Chi of the microfilm "The King of Video Game" regarding the experience they gained in supporting local youngsters at the grass-roots level. The participants were advised to support the grass-roots youngsters from heart and do not make the society "poor by striving for excellence only while paying the price of losing the soul".
- Seven workshops were hosted by church hosts with substantial experience in service during the forum to share the experience of providing pastoral care to children, working youths and young addicts while exchanging views with the participants on mode of service interactively, so as to enhance the participants' knowledge on organizing ministry.



Follow-up groups were formed after the workshops to group fellows with the same aspiration of service for subsequent ministries and to enhance the services targeting grass-roots youngsters.

- An exhibition was held after the forum and 33 booths were set up by our partner institutes which serving the local community to share the beliefs of their ministries with the participants as well as to seek opportunities for collaboration on planning ministries for poor youngsters and to edify grass-roots families. The scope of service of the institutes included children and youths, the new arrivals, ethnic minorities, grass-roots families, community care, rehabilitation services, arts courses, food bank, internet and media services, mentorship programs, career counselling, etc.
- More than 30 churches and institutes were moved by the function and they expressed the wills of developing poverty relief ministries and participating in HKCNP's poverty relief ministries proactively, as well as going into the communities to fulfil the needs of the underprivileged.



Mother Teresa once said, "We think sometimes that poverty is only being hungry, naked and homeless. The poverty of being unwanted, unloved and uncared for is the greatest poverty." The part moved me so much today was that all three speakers pointed out that we should get rid of the poverty relief strategy focusing on financial compensation only but linking up different sectors of our society and bridging the gaps between institutes with love. "Not to be ministered unto, but to minister." This is our starting point as well as our final destination.

— Rev Cheng Ka Fai
(Senior Pastor of Christian Canaan Church)



More about the content of HKCNP Poverty Forum 2018 and Powerpoint slides for sharing:
http://www.hkcnp.org.hk/activities_review/acts_2018/11_1/



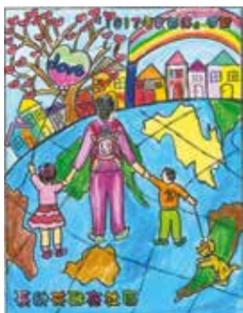
“10.17 Fast-a-Meal”

Objectives of the campaign

- 1 To encourage the public to echo the United Nations’ appeal for International Day for the Eradication of Poverty on 17 October and invite all participants to fight against destitution collaboratively and tackle deficiency through concrete actions.
- 2 To raise the artistic creativities of children and youths and arouse their awareness on the poverty problem in Hong Kong, so as to voice out for the poor.
- 3 To provide children and youngsters with insight into the current poverty relief work in Hong Kong and to take forward the concept of helping the grassroots.
- 4 To raise fund for HKCNP “Child Development Fund Mentorship Program” and “Love in Action” to support grass-roots children in escaping from generational poverty and churches in serving grass-roots families.
- 5 To explore career paths of youngsters in depth and reflect on successful career ladder in order to help the next generations of grass-roots families achieve upward mobility and address the problem of generational poverty.

Arts Contest

More than 30 schools and arts studios enrolled for 10.17 Fast-a-meal Art & Video Competition and more than 1000 entries were received this year.



The theme for Kindergarten Category:
Inter-generational integration in community

Artwork Description

Elderlies are like trees of love which devote all of their love to us and guide us in understanding the world. Our previous generations have sown the seeds of our future success. We must learn to be grateful and if there is a chance, we should go out with them, just like what they did when we were little.

— TSEUNG Shing-chun, Champion



The theme for Senior Primary Category:
My dream home

Artwork Description

I wanted to show my dream home in this drawing—a harmonious Hong Kong. Each individual here has his own position and role. By supporting each other altruistically, a perfect Hong Kong can be formed.

— TSE Ka-chun, Champion & The Most Creative Artwork



Thematic seminar and poverty relief service

Though this is not the first time my daughter and I take part in a voluntary activity, I was a bit worried as she had no chance to have close contact with the elderly before. I was pleased to see her teaching the elderly to do sports with me and chatting with them proactively without any reluctance. This experience let me understand that we are not only helping others, but also my daughter, through voluntary activities.

— A parent from Evangel College

Exhibition of the artworks

The winning entries were exhibited in Sai Wan Ho MTR station and Sheung Wan MTR station publicly from 4 March 2019 to 3 April 2019.



Research on “Uplifting Employability for Upward Mobility”

HKCNP had commissioned a professional consultant to conduct a study regarding the demand of the job market in the future in order to promote upward mobility of the grass-roots youngsters and tackle the problem of generational poverty. A press conference was held on 28 April. Two proposals were made in the study to enhance the employability of the youth:

1. Develop five minds as future proof skills

- Discipline mind:** Master at least one way of thinking about a specific scholarly discipline, craft or profession.
- Synthesis mind:** Take information from disparate sources, understand, evaluate and integrate that information objectively.
- Creating mind:** Put forward new ideas, pose unfamiliar questions and suggest fresh ways of thinking.
- Respecting mind:** Respect differences, try to understand the others and seek collaboration opportunities
- Ethical mind:** Think about the nature of the job and the needs of the society, and go beyond self-interest

2. Focus on proactive career behaviors

Identify the career path and enhance adaptability to manage one’s career in the future. HKCNP will proactively bolster youth participation in 10.17 Fast-a-meal Arts Contest, Youth Upward Mobility Mentorship Program, Children Development Fund, etc., to equip the youngsters for future challenges.

Details of the press conference were reported on several newspapers:
<https://goo.gl/73hJGv>



AI x youth filming workshops co-organized with Lions Clubs

By inviting YouTubers to attend and promote our smartphone video production workshop and community tour in March, HKCNP encouraged the youngsters to return from the virtual cyber world to the real world through the mode of Online to Offline (O2O). A talk was given to the parents to share the way to equip their children for joining the workforce and getting an ideal job in the coming AI generation.

YU, a student who attended the talk, said, “I seldom stroll in the community. I paid more attention to things I used to ignore when I walked on the street and the differences between the old and the new buildings could be seen simply by looking



up. Also, I found that there are more convenience stores and less stores nowadays.”

YIP, a student who attended the talk, said, “I was so happy to meet the YouTubers who shared their own experience on video making. I would like to thank them for encouraging me.”



A special program about workplace experience

The aforesaid research report suggested industries which suitable for grass-roots youngsters and youths with low educational attainment to start their career. In the special program, Christian artists would lead the participants of “1017” to have a one-day or half-day workplace attachment in one of the suggesting industries. The whole process would be filmed and a special program would be produced and broadcasted on Creation TV and MyTV Super to attract the attention of youths on the industries.



Organization

*In no particular order

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ACTS Studio Limited	Cheerlord Investment Ltd T/A W Hong Kong	Christian Family	CWM/Nethersole Fund
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Delia English Primary School & Kindergarten (Kindergaren Section) & Parents		Renaissance Harbour View Hotel Hong Kong	
Delia English Primary School & Kindergarten (Primary Section)		Symphony Management Limited	
Delia Memorial School (Broadway) & Parents		The Hong Kong Association of Banks	
Delia Memorial School (Hip Wo) & Parents		Warmview Co. Ltd.	
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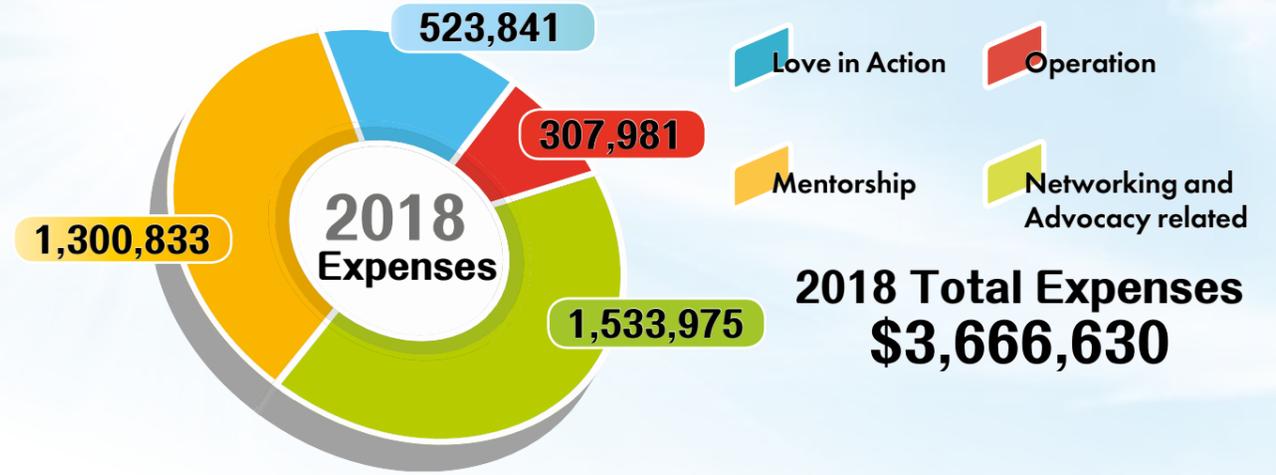
Church

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中國基督教播道會天泉堂	宣道會元基堂	基督教中國佈道會大埔迦南堂	循道衛理聯合教會九龍堂
中國基督教播道會厚恩堂	宣道會希伯崙堂以斯帖團	基督教中國佈道會大埔迦南堂以利沙團契	循道衛理聯合教會天水圍堂
中國基督教播道會恩福堂	宣道會純光堂	基督教中國佈道會大埔迦南堂恩典小組	循道衛理聯合教會北角堂
中國基督教播道會望福堂	宣道會調景嶺新堂	基督教牛頭角潮人生命堂	循道衛理聯合教會沙田堂
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旺角浸信會	基督教九龍五旬節會	基督教靈糧世界佈道會香港靈糧堂	

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王主愛	郭偉良	羅志聰	Herbert Hui	Ho Hing Fung Terence	Ho Kwok Fai
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梁月美	蔡少浩	Chow Yuet Yung			
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Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. (2 Cor 9:10-11)



If you are interested in learning more about our ministry, poverty information in Hong Kong and our latest updates, please visit our website and Facebook page.

Become our partner and join the network of poverty relief

We sincerely invite churches, institutes, schools or enterprises to join us as a partner to transform communities together by:

- Recognizing the mission and work of HKCNP and motivating your team to participate in poverty caring ministry
- Actively participating in the education and advocacy of poverty relief so as to foster social justice and influence social policy
- Recognizing and supporting the work of HKCNP in community transformation on publications and the media
- Praying for the ministries of HKCNP. May God use our partners to serve the community in unity.



Register as our partner:
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Become our ambassador and intern to implement the commandment of loving the neighbor as oneself

Register as "HKCNP Ambassador" or join our "Internship Program" if you have the aspirations of relieving poverty and voicing out for the poor by promoting the anti-poverty movement of HKCNP in your church or organization, and assisting us in events.

Sharings from summer interns:

Poverty is the major problem of Hong Kong society, which poses stringent challenges to the allocation of healthcare resources, and the situation has been deteriorating. In order to tackle the problem of inadequate healthcare resources, we must intervene at source and mobilize the entire society to respond to the poverty problem. I hope that I can take up posts other than frontline staff member and utilize the skills and experience I gained during my internship to fulfil the needs of the society at different levels and achieve community transformation.

— Sam (Medical student)



Register as our ambassador:
<https://goo.gl/Fh1nSb>



Register as our intern:
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After I finished half of my theology study and before I enter churches as an intern, it was great to learn more about the poverty relief ministries in which churches are involved from another angle (institute) and broaden my horizon. Understanding that churches are facing the problem of manpower shortage while having different approaches on resource allocation and setting general direction with varying needs, I found that "poverty" is a challenge which can only be overcome by pooling the wisdom of various sectors in the society across sectarian lines and religious divides, and stepping out of the shadow of "believer and non-believer" in a complementary environment.

— Matthew (Seminary student)



Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.

(Matthew 25:40)

Please support the asset-based community transformation movement, in which the people of a community grow in their ability to solve their own problems and take control of their lives, resulting in growth of the whole person and improvement of the various aspects of their community. Thus, the individuals and the community become all that God intends them to be.

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