

Project Summary

Project No.: 0003-10

Project Title: A Caring and Social Inclusion Project

Name of Organization: Hong Kong Women Foundation Limited

Grant Approved: HK\$700,000

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| <p>Project Highlights</p> | <p>The objective is activating volunteers caring about families with long-term diseased patients and low-income pupils, in order to offer material and spiritual support to them and develop their correct view of life consequently – Life Influents Life. Moreover, the volunteers help them build up supporting network between families and communities, creating mutual support among neighbours and developing social capital. Furthermore, they are encouraged to realize their full potential and requite society in different ways. As a result, a caring and peaceful community could be built.</p> |
| <p>Brief Description of Programmes to be organized</p> | <p>We would achieve the objectives by the following TWO projects:</p> <p>“Walking With U” is comprised of elder volunteers, long-term diseased patients and their carers. Through home visits and tele-conversations, the elder volunteers care more about patients’ needs. Then, close relationship can be developed between them. The elder volunteers would care individual and extend the relationship with his/her families, mutual-help group would be established among same diseased patients, providing carers supporting networks and strengthen neighbourhood’s supporting network. Moreover, the neighbourhood supporting network could be strengthened and recipients would be greatly encouraged to develop their potential and return back to society.</p> <p>“Colourful Rainbow” is comprised of elder volunteers, primary students and their parents. Cooperation with primary school, develop complementary approach, promote accompany English story reading programme and Chinese writing and painting programme, enhance elder-young harmonious aim. Friendship could be developed between volunteers and pupils through programmes. Furthermore, volunteers could teach positive attitude towards life by instilling “Life education”. Consequently, students and their parents could develop their potential and devote to society.</p> <p>When these two programmes produce marked effect, all the participants (including service users and volunteers) can be unified to form a mutual-help supporting network in community. Then, the network members can find out the problem together and suggest the ultimate solution and practice it in community. As a result, a love and harmonious community could be built.</p> |
| <p>Unique Feature of the Project</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. By strategy of “Life Influence life”, to build up positive attitude towards life through deepening life education. 2. To establish self-help group, concern affairs in the community and create harmonious community. 3. To build several long-term diseased mutual-help groups, become a district supporting centre, provide related information, training and supporting network. 4. To provide skill training programme for carer. 5. To co-operate with different age groups, different levels and division, create interaction of different interface and exchange of knowledge and experience. |
| <p>Project Duration</p> | <p>Two years (from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2008)</p> |
| <p>Target Groups</p> | <p>Volunteers: elderly, women, citizen</p> <p>Service users: long-term diseased patient, carer, primary students and their families and new arrival</p> |

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| | families Co-operation organization: Educational organizations, Business organizations, Government departments, Non-governmental Organizations |
| Location of the Project | Central and Sheung Wan |
| Expected Outputs and Outcomes | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Long-term diseased patients, primary students and their families could receive care and support. 2. Attitude towards life and values of service users can be changed positively, potential could be realized and devote to society. 3. Family and community networks could be deepened and spirit of mutual-help concept could be sustained. 4. To establish self-help group, concern social affairs in the community, create love and harmonious society. 5. To set up a supporting network with different walks of life, complementary approach could be promoted. |
| Outcomes measures | <p>Outcome could be measured by Social capital</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quantitatively <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Volunteers: 50 Elder volunteers 30 Women volunteers 20 Citizen volunteers b. Service users: 150 Primary students 100 Long-term diseased patients 50 Carers 40 Families 20 Non-local domestic helpers c. Collaborators: 10 Non-governmental Organizations 5 Business Organizations 3 Government Departments 2 Educational organizations 2. Qualitatively <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. All participants would have changed in terms of their roles, from service users to service providers and from service providers to active planners. b. Service users receive care and support, so, his/her self-confidence would be enhanced and potential could be developed. c. Neighbourhoods become long-term base of elderly who live alone, achieve complimentary approach. 3. Final planning <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. To establish Educational Self-help Group which is comprised of elders and women b. To set up several long-term diseased mutual-help groups c. To form homehelp-supporting ambassadors |