

Project Summary

Project Title and No.: Inter-generational Hub 0004-11

Name of Organization: The Salvation Army Senior Citizens Talent Advancement Project
Kwun Tong Centre

Grant Approved: \$1,000,000

Project Duration: 1/7/2008-30/6/2011

Target Groups: Retirees, housewives, low-income families and their children

Location of the Project: Kwun Tong

Project Highlights

1.Objective : The project aims to promote inter-generational integration, productive aging and also to build interactive mutual support networks among families through mentorship by linking early retirees to school children in the community.

(i) Strategies :

- Recruit retirees and women as volunteers and develop mentorship with children from low-income families
- Consolidate community resources and establish cross-sectoral partnerships among different groups to broaden skills and knowledge

(ii) Expected Outcomes and Performance Indicators

- Appropriate community support for the low-income families will be provided.
- Capacity and self-confidence among retirees and housewives will be enhanced
- Trustful relationship will be built between retirees, housewives and children.
- Collaboration between different groups and organisations will be developed.

2.Brief Description of Programmes

- Linking retirees and women to children in need of adult attention. The volunteers act as mentors and give children time and care. Capacity of the volunteers would be enhanced through child-care training. Thus, the programme would promote inter-generational integration.
- Building mutual-help neighbourhood networks in the community to support families in need.
- Fostering cross-sectoral collaboration by sharing skills and knowledge.

3. Unique Feature and Areas of Innovation

- Inter-generational integration group - trained and experienced volunteer mentors will form a mutual support group to implement the project.
- Mentor-support Network – a mutual-help network and trust relationship will be built among retirees, elders, children, and parents.