



As a result of the pandemic, China Week 2020 was held in late September 2020. This year we focused on Chinese architecture from the past to present. A series of online programmes, including thematic seminars, virtual tours with 360 degree visuals, and workshops were held. Participants learnt historical, cultural, geographic and even scientific information about different monuments through the use of 4D Frame and Tinkercard software. There were also sessions on the importance of revitalisation and sustainable development in Hong Kong. The entire week was kick-started by the Guest of Honour, Mr. Jose Yam Ho-san, Commissioner for Heritage.







On 23 April 2021, the HKFYG's first Charity Golf Tournament was held with the support of The Clearwater Bay Golf and Country Club. Funds raised were used to support disadvantaged young people as part of the Federation's mission to make sports accessible to everyone. Over a hundred golfers participated, in 26 teams. They were able to win 27 awards, including a 'Beat the Pro' challenge. Mr. Jack Chan Jick-chi, JP, Under Secretary for Home Affairs graciously attended the Opening Ceremony to cheer the players on.







In today's competitive world, it is imperative to be innovative and creative. Towards this end, the Federation launched "The HKFYG Inno Impact Project" and welcomed students, working youth, start-ups or social entrepreneurs to submit proposals to tackle the changes that we face.

Five innovative and creative proposals were chosen and presented with up to HK\$200,000 each in cash, with mentorship support and networking and promotion opportunities, so as to turn ideas into applicable results.







## HKFYG Youth Hostel PH2



The HKFYG Youth Hostel PH2 (PH2) was the first of its kind in the city, built with the Government supported Youth Hostel Scheme. Formerly a Youth S.P.O.T., it was re-provisioned into a 20-storey building with 76 single units and two double/ disabled accessible units. PH2 has created an enabling residential community for young people. During their residence, residents are engaged to learn, share and co-create together, so that by the time they leave the Hostel, they would have learnt several life skills, including social networking and financial planning. In order to facilitate this unique process of co-living and co-growing, more than 100 programme sessions were offered and over 90% of residents participated throughout the year.





## HSBC Future Skills Development Project

Funded by HSBC, the Federation launched a unique project, The HSBC Future Skills Development Project, in 2019, to assist young people – from primary school to tertiary institutes and those in the workplace – and nurture their skills and competencies for the future.

Based on top ten future skills suggested by the World Economic Forum, the Project highlighted both theoretical and practical aspects of knowledge under three main themes:





- Financial Capabilities which saw the Youth Employment Network share concepts of financial planning and enhancing financial management skills and knowledge under the \$avvy Planner Workshops, Future Skills and Career Talks.
- Future Skills for Employment which focused on team dynamics, intercultural communication skills and critical thinking through The HKFYG Leadership Institute. These skills were conducted through the HSBC Financial Dialogue Series and different speaking programmes. Supported by the renowned international debate institution, Debate Mate, a new programme called the Chamber Debate Club, was launched in July 2021 to enhance participants' communication and negotiation skills through a British parliamentary style debate.
- Innovation and Technology by which the Creative Education Unit emphasised developing digital competencies and creative thinking through The Hong Kong 4D Frame Maths and Science Creativity Competition, as well as the A.I. Future Tense - InnoTech Solutions Pitching.

Co-Solve.hk, an online learning platform, was also established to help with problem-solving and communication skills. This virtual platform also allowed young people to browse, share and collaborate on innovative and STEM related topics with peers over the world.

A new book, *Six Future Skills You Should Learn Now*, was released in July 2021 which provided teachers, youth workers and parents with in-depth explanations and insights, as well as teaching resources and case studies. The book is a valuable educational reference and comes highly recommended by Professor Lee Chack-fan, one of the Theme Writers of the Hong Kong Book Fair 2021.

Since its establishment, the Project has involved over 130,000 young people from over 120 primary schools, 230 secondary schools and ten universities in spite of the challenges brought by the social unrest and pandemic. Over 800 classes, workshops, events and competitions were also held. Evidenced by an independent impact assessment, the Project was deemed to have shown a significant and effective impact on improving participants' future skills, including financial capability and career identification skills.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD** First

NEIGHBOURHOOD First is a community building project which incorporates leadership training, volunteer services, online connectivity and district collaboration for young people connecting with their neighbours. Over 100 NEIGHBOURHOOD Teams were formed and carried out the following activities over the year:



#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD First uKitchen**

Community Kitchens were set up in 21 Youth S.P.O.Ts in order to help young people enhance their skills and interest in cooking and serve the needy with delicious food. With the support of Lee Kum Kee, Heart to Heart Companies and volunteer chefs, over 600 youth volunteers were engaged. Total attendance of service recipients amounted to 1,200.



#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD First Round Table**

NEIGHBOURHOOD First Round Table comprising senior NEIGHBOURHOOD Team members celebrated the Lunar New Year by Zoom with fun filled activities which were then posted on Instagram.

#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD First Reunion Lunch**

The annual NEIGHBOURHOOD First Reunion Lunch was held on 23 January 2021 to celebrate the Lunar New Year. Instead of 'Poon Choi' Gatherings, over 1,000 members of the NEIGHBOURHOOD Teams visited an equal number of underprivileged families and the elderly, distributing a Love Package with a box of 'Poon Choi'.

#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD First Rice Giving Scheme**

Since 2010, The Au Bak Ling Charity Trust has supported the NEIGHBOURHOOD Teams to hand out rice packages to underprivileged families and singletons. More than 5,400 households benefit every month.





Because of the pandemic, the Run for Wellness went online this year. Supported by HSBC's 150th Anniversary Charity Programme, the virtual Run was very popular and over 1,700 participants completed their self-designed route.

The Run took place from 1 to 14 April 2021, with the theme *"Running around the World"*, which allowed the runners to map out their own routes, distances and locations. The proceeds went towards providing financial assistance for needy young people to receive timely psychiatric services.

Ten elite athletes and celebrities were invited to carry backpacks as a symbol of sharing young people's stresses and burdens. There was also an online to offline programme called *Wellness Route@Community*, inviting young people to explore and share suitable routes for running in their own community.





## The Dragon Foundation

Since 2000, The Dragon Foundation has brought together ethnic Chinese young people from around the world, nurturing their sense of identity, building networks and offering opportunities to develop their potential to be leaders. The Foundation has so far connected young people from across 41 countries/regions through various leadership training programmes. Managed by a Board of Directors, the Foundation's Secretariat support is provided by the Federation. The following events were conducted in the year:



#### Online Networking Events with Alumni In and Outside Hong Kong

During the pandemic, the Foundation continued to facilitate gatherings. It organised the "Dragons Love Dad" online event; the "Hong Kong x Malaysia Youth Webinar" and a Green Organic Herbs Workshop to network with alumni in and outside Hong Kong.





### "uMusic Stage" and "Dragons Love Mom" Online Concert

"uMusic Stage" was set up with young people performing different musical numbers to spread positivity during the pandemic with Dragons hosting and performing at different sessions.

The Foundation continued with the "Dragons Love Mom" online concert on Mother's Day. Youth bands and singers provided the music and the public was encouraged to leave messages for their loved ones.

#### **Chinese Cultural and Heritage Events**

A new series of events was organised promoting Chinese culture and heritage. They included sharing from a Chinese bridal chaperone and a Chinese funeral director, as well as a Cantonese language class, a Seal Craving Workshop, and a local cemetery tour guide course.

#### DragoNation

DragoNation, the alumni association of The Dragon Foundation, was set up in 2008. This year, it held a hybrid event to mark DragoNation Day under the theme "Leadership in New Normal". Alumni and guests from over ten countries joined in.

DragoNation also organised the Seal Craving Workshop and a special visit to K-FARM, a Hong Kong based urban farm. These events connected alumni with young people.