

Core Services





The objective of the Federation's 22 Youth S.P.O.Ts (Space for Participation, Opportunities and Training) is to foster the holistic development of young people under the age of 35. The S.P.O.Ts comprise 16 Integrated Children and Youth Services Centres, 3 Children and Youth Centres, 2 Youth Centres and Youth S.P.O.T. 21.

Annual Statistics

During the past year, the 22 Youth S.P.O.Ts provided a wide range of learning opportunities and challenging experiences by identifying and responding to the individual and collective needs of young people. These included a special focus on the following programmes: Social Exposure and Development, Strengthening Classroom Learning, Extending Educational Opportunities, as well as Connecting Young People. By the end of the reporting period, the Youth S.P.O.Ts had a total of 324,129 members, with a total attendance standing at almost 3.1 million.



Social Exposure and Development

Social Exposure and Development allowed young people to gain experience and widen their horizons through voluntary work, research projects and service programmes. In the past year, the total attendance reached 237,066.

U-IN-100 Project

The project aims to unite and encourage young people to care for their communities. In 2012, over 100 young people from eight Youth S.P.O.Ts were trained to conduct community studies, on topics such as old-style restaurants, fishing villages and flour dolls. On 18 May 2013, participants shared their findings through three micro films based on their observations at a community carnival.

Neighbourhood! Stand by You!

Due to popular demand, the creative youth musical, "Neighbourhood! Stand by You!" was reprised on 8 and 9 April 2013 at Y Square Theatre. The musical, first on stage in August 2012, was written, produced and performed by over 100 youth members.

Strengthening Classroom Learning

Through learning support, students are able to study more effectively, consolidating their knowledge and becoming more confident. During the period from April 2012 to March 2013, 251,158 attended the programmes.

Learning Master Programme

Since 2010, the Learning Master Programme has been providing after-school learning support to primary and junior secondary school students by motivating them to learn English with the professional input of Neuro-Linguistic Programming.





After-School Care Service

Primary school students were given tuition and personal assistance after school through extra-curricular activities. Families in need were supported financially to join the programme.

Homework Tutorial Support

By providing tutorial guidance and homework reviews, students were able to strengthen their classroom learning and improve their academic performance.

Community-based Projects

The project provided a variety of extra-curricular activities to disadvantaged students with the aim of improving their learning effectiveness and interpersonal skills.

Extending Education Opportunities

The aim is to provide a wide variety yet affordable learning activities, from language, visual arts, music, social etiquettes, ethics, to a wilderness adventure. The activities were attended by 334,874 by the end of March 2013.

UP Series – Extending Education @ Interest Enrichment Courses

Since 2011, eight Youth S.P.O.Ts jointly developed a series of extending education and enrichment courses called 'UP', promoting the concept of PACE: Progressive, Adaptive, Connective and Extended learning.

UP Theatre Dance Performance

The first Up Theatre dance performance was held on 27 October 2012 with the participation of 100 young people.

UP Stage Putonghua Speech Competition

The first Putonghua Speech Competition was held on 26 and 27 January 2013 and over 50 primary school students participated.

UP Gallery Exhibition

The first UP Gallery Exhibition was held in the Hong Kong Cultural Centre from 29 December 2012 to 2 January 2013, at which over 100 children and youth from ten Youth S.P.O.Ts had their paintings exhibited.



Connecting Young People

uCafé

By the end of March 2013, uCafés were set up in 20 Youth S.P.O.Ts, encouraging young people to 'hangout', chat and build social networks in a safe community environment.

HKFYG Dragon Boat Race

The HKFYG Dragon Boat Race was held on 12 June 2013 in Tai Po Waterfront Park. Over 150 young people from 21 Youth S.P.O.Ts participated in the event, forming eight racing teams alongside a team of Federation staff.



RED S.P.O.T. Concert

On 31 December 2012, the first RED S.P.O.T. Concert was held in Tai Po Lions Youth S.P.O.T. More than 20 youth bands from 11 Youth S.P.O.Ts performed in front of an audience of 400 young people, who also celebrated the beginning of 2013 together.



Other Significant Events

"Fly High with Us" Young Savers Scheme

The second phase of the Scheme supported by the Child Development Fund (CDF) was launched in May 2012. The Scheme was organised by the Jockey Club Kwai Fong Youth S.P.O.T. This Scheme benefited over 110 children in Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing and had 63 people from supporting corporations and the community serving as mentors. The CDF also provided matching funds for participants' personal saving schemes.





Being a multimedia web as well as a physical hub, M21 has seven channels, broadcasting a wide variety of programmes produced by teams of young people. The seven channels cover programmes about current issues, happenings in the community, school life, employment, culture, greening and variety shows. Broadcast networks in campus and community were established to share the creativity of the young talents.

M21 Opening

With support and funding from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, the Federation set up The HKFYG Jockey Club Media 21 (or M21 for short) in an area of about 4,000 square metres located in Shek Pai Wan. M21 was opened on 27 April 2013, with the Chief Executive, the Hon. C.Y. Leung, GBM, GBS, JP, as the Guest of Honour, along with Mr. Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges, Chief Executive Officer of The Hong Kong Jockey Club.



Three Core Services – Creative Production, Media Academy and Media Counselling

Through its three core services, young people are provided with all-round media training, as well as interactive broadcasting platforms for new media creation. They are encouraged to be imaginative and innovative, to unleash their creativity in expressing their ideas and aspirations, sharing their dreams and hopes for the future as they connect to the world.

Policy Address and Budget Online@M21

After delivery of the Policy Address 2013, M21 held a series of Youth Sharing Sessions for the Hon. C.Y. Leung, GBM, GBS, JP, the Chief Executive, the Hon. Mrs. Carrie Lam, GBM, JP, Chief Secretary for Administration, the Hon. Matthew Cheung, GBS, JP, Secretary for Labour and Welfare, Prof. the Hon.

Anthony Cheung, GBS, JP, Secretary for Transport and Housing, the Hon. Eddie Ng, SBS, JP, Secretary for Education; and the Hon. Wong Kam-sing, JP, Secretary for the Environment. Most of the sessions were direct broadcasts, the purpose of which was to increase the young people's interest and knowledge in current affairs. The M21 Youth Production Team also produced a documentary addressing youth's opinions on the Policy Address.

After delivery of the Budget, Financial Secretary, the Hon. John Tsang, GBM, JP, was interviewed in front of an audience of secondary and tertiary students, eager and enthusiastic to give their opinions on the Budget. The interview was also a direct broadcast. In addition, debate contests were held for the youth to express their views towards the Budget.



The 4th Healthy Internet Video Contest

Since 2009, the Office for Film, Newspaper and Article Administration (which was previously called the Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority) and u21.hk (one of the platforms affiliated with M21) collaborated to organise this Contest. The aim is to improve public understanding of the Control of Obscene and Indecent Articles Ordinance which regulates obscene and indecent materials in order to protect young people, as well as to promote healthy video content on the Internet. The theme of the 4th Contest was "Share My Likes". Workshops on writing screenplays, editing films and acting were organised for more than 500 participants. In total, 74 entries were submitted for the Contest.

M21 Chinese Youth Film Contest 2012

Sponsored by the Sony Corporation of Hong Kong Limited, M21 held the Second Chinese Youth Film Contest. A total of 134 teams of young filmmakers from Chinese communities around Asia submitted their short films, all of which had the theme "The Passing of Time, The Respect of Humanity". Winners were

selected by online voting and a professional panel of judges from the film industry. The Contest is to encourage young people to be creative in the conveying of positive values through online videos, encouraging the sharing of common values and enhanced multimedia skills.



VIDEA – M21 Youth Micro Film Contest

VIDEA is an online platform which includes video contests sponsored by various brands. This year the Federation cooperated with four brands - the MTR Corporation Ltd., 7-Eleven of Dairy Farm International Holdings Ltd., Doctor's Choice of Vita Green Health Products Co., Ltd. and Woodhouse Shopping Mall. More than 350 young people submitted 74 micro films about the brands, with 4,423 online votes.

M21 Youth Short Film Festival 2013

This year's M21 Youth Short Film Festival chose as its theme, "First Time". The weeklong festival showcased 26 films produced by young people, as well as had four screening sessions of renowned film directors' first movie productions. Members of the industry, from film directors, producers, actors and actresses were invited to share their experience. More than 360 young people took part in the Film Festival.





Hong Kong's unemployment rate saw a continuous improvement after the global recession. However, for young people between the ages of 15 and 19, especially those with low academic attainments or skills, unemployment remained serious in spite of the overall decline.

Since its establishment in 2003, the Youth Employment Network (YEN) has acted as a bridge for youth to smoothen the transition from school to work by improving their employability skills, while at the same time, exploring work opportunities and encouraging the business sector to employ young people.

Over the past year, YEN cooperated with government departments, the private sector and other NGOs to offer various services.

Employability Enhancement

Life Banking Project: targeted at senior secondary school students and focusing on school to work transition. This past year, over 25,346 students from 90 secondary schools participated in a series of activities, workshop and seminars.

Step Out Award 2012 supported by EF Education and Virgin Atlantic Airways Ltd.: YEN has launched the Step Out Award 2012 to senior secondary school students to promote the concept of stepping out and help them in pursuing their dreams

through developing career plans in their interested fields. 150 students from 57 schools participated. The five finalists will be given an opportunity to join two-week study tour in Sydney, Australia.



Project Bridge funded by The Keswick Foundation: With funding support from the Keswick Foundation, YEN launched a three-year project in February 2013 to provide one-stop support service for 400 young people aged 15 to 24 (unemployed youths and secondary school students) assessed or suspected of having specific learning disabilities. Services facilitate the group to better understand their career aptitude and employment competency, assist them to accumulate working experience and ultimately enhance their employment opportunities.



Youth Employment Training Programme: Under the coordination of the Labour Department, the Federation attended to 242 cases of unemployed youth aged between the ages of 15 and 24, and conducted 16 training courses on employment skills for about 152 participants.

Manpower Development Scheme: Under the coordination of the Employees Retraining Board, YEN launched the "Teen's Action 2013" for those students having completed their Diploma of Secondary Education (DSE). The programme included seminars, trial classes, interviewing skill workshops, summer internships, industry experts' sharing and company visits to widen their career perspectives. Over 2,900 secondary students were enrolled.

Integrated Employment Assistance Scheme (IEAS): YEN offered employment counselling services and training to Comprehensive Social Security Assistance recipients aged between 15 and 59 in Tuen Mun District. A total number of 656 cases were handled. The project ended on 31 December 2012.

Employment Creation

Employer Network: Formally launched in 2004, the Network uses the Internet and email to bring notice of job vacancies to young people. Liaising with the business sector, over 121 job vacancies were created with related on-the-job training provided. Employers this year included:

- The Airport Authority of Hong Kong
- Ocean Park Hong Kong
- Hair Do Designing
- Speedy Group

The Youth Career Expo: YEN organised two large-scale Youth Career Expos. These expos served as "One-stop-shops" and 3,200 young people were able to access information and assistance.

Supporting Entrepreneurship

With endorsement from Youth Business International (YBI), the Federation launched Youth Business Hong Kong (YBHK) in July 2005 to assist young people who want to start their own businesses and become entrepreneurs by providing seed money in the form of interest-free loans. Would be entrepreneurs are also allocated business mentors who not only provide specialist or professional advice and training, but who also help link up young people with wider business networks. During the reporting period, YBHK received 111 business proposals applying for support, with seven businesses being approved with a total loan amounting to HK\$380,000.





HKFYG is one of the participating NGOs of the Microfinance Scheme, operated by the government-owned Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited, to help those eager to start their own business, to be self-employed or to fulfil self-enhancement through training with loan and related support. 15 cases were submitted through YBHK and five of them have been approved with a total loan amounting to HK\$1,400,000.

Supported by “Love Ideas • Love HK”, YBHK received a grant of HK\$700,000 to organise programmes and activities to echo YBHK’s impact in empowering youth entrepreneurs, while also enhancing social awareness.



“Dialogues with Successful Entrepreneurs” were organised so that renowned business leaders could share their experiences. This year, Dr. Vincent Lo, GBS, JP, of Shui On Group, Dr. Lawrence Fung, GBS, of Hong Kong Economic Times Holdings Ltd and Dr. Jimmy Tang, JP, of Prince Jewellery & Watch Company, were able to offer valuable advice to budding entrepreneurs.

In celebration of the 8th Anniversary of YBHK, the “Meet the Boss” – Youth Entrepreneurship Show was held. This brought the special products and services of youth start-ups to the public at Olympian City 2.

Using multimedia platforms, “The Journey to Enterprise – Stories of Youth Entrepreneurs” provided an online platform for the public to become familiar with how young people achieve their aspirations.



Due to overwhelming demand, YBHK extended the “Youth Entrepreneurship Course” offering training to equip young people with essential skills for setting up a business. The course was enlisted as one of the Entrepreneurial Courses by the Microfinance Scheme.

Furthermore, the good governance and endeavours of YBHK in promoting and supporting youth entrepreneurship was acknowledged by Youth Business International with an endorsement of the highest level of accreditation.

Outreaching activities were also held. As a strategic partner of Entrepreneur Day, organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council, YBHK provided handy tips and up-to-date information in starting new businesses. A new programme called “Entrepreneur Arena” also provided an exciting platform for young people to pitch their business ideas to the public. YBHK’s youth businesses also benefitted from free booths to showcase their products and services which attracted over 13,000 visitors. Thematic talks by young entrepreneurs and on-site consultations helped visitors learn more about how to run a business and to being a boss. The participation at the World Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) Expo also presented YBHK to the worldwide visitors.

One young entrepreneur, supported by YBHK, Mr. Dennis Au, co-founder of Conduct Chinese Medicine Clinic Ltd., was publicly recognised and acclaimed when he was Runner-up of the Global



Entrepreneur of the Year 2012 Award for his business success and social contribution.

Youth Social Enterprises

Project Dance Studio

This social enterprise, sponsored by the Home Affairs Department, aims at providing sustainable and professional dance training for youth who want to seek opportunities to work in the entertainment industry. Project Dance Studio provided a wide range of dance training courses from introductory to advanced levels. In this year, Project Dance Studio organised advanced tutor training programme for 40 tutors, including five who then taught dance courses in other Youth S.P.O.Ts. The studio also organised a dance camp and a Sparklers Project which provided experiential learning opportunities for hundreds of secondary school students. In the coming year, Project Dance Studio will continue to organise the Sparklers Project and to assist schools to set up dance society and dance tutor training programme so as to establish healthy development platform for the dance industry.

The HKFYG Organic Farm

Established in 2010, the over 160,000 square foot Organic Farm is located in Yuen Long with the aim to promote the link between healthy living and the environment. It is the only local farm given a USDA organic certification. In the year 2012-13 the farm produced around 42,000 cabbages of seasonal crops. The farm

also serves as an education platform, inviting young people to come and get their hands dirty by planting and harvesting. The Farm had around 20,000 visitors this year.

Organic 21

Located in the SOHO area of Central, Organic 21 café uses fresh produce and ingredients, part of which come from the Organic Farm. The Organic 21 retail store sells healthy products sourced from all around the world, promoting healthy living.

Linking the Federation’s different programmes, residents of the WL Residence will also serve in Organic 21 as part of their learning process, becoming familiar with the food service industry. The whole project thus not only promotes health living through organic food, but sustainable development through youth employment.

Café 21

Café 21 continues to be managed by young trainees to enhance their skills through on-the-job training. This chic hangout, providing fresh and healthy food with a range of coffees, is also open for private parties, conferences, as well as media briefings and exhibitions are welcome.



Since April 2000, Leadership 21 has been providing comprehensive leadership training for young people aged from 15 to 34. It strives to nurture high-quality leaders for the development of Hong Kong in the 21st century, helping to lay a more solid foundation for the realisation of the principle of "One Country, Two Systems" and "Hong Kong People Ruling Hong Kong". Over the past 13 years, Leadership 21 has provided over 1 million training hours for 100,000 local secondary school and university student leaders.

As part of the expansion of its operations, the Federation is in the process of establishing The HKFYG Institute for Leadership Development at the site of the former Fanling Magistracy to provide more systematic and comprehensive leadership training which will further cultivate talented youth leaders for the future of Hong Kong and the country.

"Hong Kong 200" Leadership Project

This ten-year training project began in 2006 with support from the All-China Youth Federation. Every year, the project brings together 200 youth leaders to receive intensive leadership training in Hong Kong and on the Mainland. Over the past seven years, 1,400 young people have been nurtured to expand their horizons, develop their talents and strengthen their sense of responsibility. In 2013, they examined one of the most critical issues of our day, child poverty. With workshops, lectures by

experts and sharing by social leaders, they learnt about how to alleviate poverty through service provisions and advocacy.



Summer School for Effective Leadership

In collaboration with The University of Hong Kong, the School was held for the 6th year, continuing to empower the participants with enhanced leadership skills to widen their global perspective. This year's ten-day programme heard from Prof. Sophia Chan Siu-chee, JP, Under Secretary for Food and Health; Dr. Albert Chau, Dr. Joe Lau and Dr. Law Chi-kwong from The University of Hong Kong; Mr. Chong Chan-yau from Blind Union; Mr. Kevin Chiu from World Vision Hong Kong; Dr. Stephen Fisher from Oxfam Hong Kong; Ms. Rebecca Sweetman from the Paradigm Shift Project, Mr. Erwin Huang from WebOrganic as well as Mr. William Yu from World Green Organisation.



Hang Seng Bank – Leaders to Leaders Lecture Series

Since 2004, along with The University of Hong Kong, the Federation has been jointly organising the "Leaders to Leaders" Lecture Series, sponsored by Hang Seng Bank. In 2013, seven distinguished community leaders discussed issues around the theme of "Changing Trends in China and Hong Kong", with a further two leaders to share in the coming months. The eight guest speakers include Prof. Yuen Kwok-yung, SBS, JP (Head

of Department and Chair of Infectious Diseases, Department of Microbiology, The University of Hong Kong), Mr. Jack So, GBS, OBE, JP (Chairman, Hong Kong Trade Development Council), Mr. Joseph Ngai (Managing Partner, McKinsey & Company Hong Kong), Prof. Lui Tai-lok (Professor, Department of Sociology, The University of Hong Kong), Prof. Francis Lui (Head and Professor, Department of Economics, The Hong Kong University of Science & Technology), Dr. York Chow, GBS, SBS, JP (Chairperson, Equal Opportunities Commission), Dr. David Wong (Chairman, Business and Professionals Federation of Hong Kong) and famous Hong Kong Visual Communication Artist, "another mountainman" (Mr. Stanley Wong).





Established in 1998, the main aim of the Youth Volunteer Network (VNET) is to encourage volunteerism among young people. With the continued support from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, VNET offered a variety of opportunities to engage young people to make a difference to others and their communities as well as to enjoy the wonderful relationship of giving and getting.

"I am a Volunteer" Campaign

To encourage young people to become volunteers and solicit support from the public and schools, the "I am a Volunteer" Campaign was again promoted to coincide with the Global Youth Service Day in April and the International Volunteer Day in December.

2012 Global Youth Service Day

VNET published a *Volunteers Notebook* which contained illustrations and first hand reflections of youth volunteers' experiences. VNET also launched a campaign by highlighting the positive outcome of volunteering and encouraging youth volunteers to share their personal stories through the Internet. Altogether, 68 volunteers uploaded their reflections to VNET's Facebook. More than 3,500 volunteers who received this notebook were also invited to share their reflections to others.

International Volunteer Day

Using Facebook's "Like" and "Share" buttons is easier and more efficient for accelerating public awareness and participation. Through the VNET online campaign, 43 videos from 386 volunteers were uploaded to VNET's Facebook fan page to share their fruitful experience of providing volunteer services, which received over 500 "Likes" and 55 "Shares".

To encourage youth volunteers to bring festive joy to the less fortunate, VNET continued to mobilise 12 Heart to Heart Companies with a total of 100 corporate volunteers and their family members to visit 105 elderly singletons and delivered goody bags with their seasonal greetings.

Heart to Heart Project

For the past eight years, the Heart to Heart Project has successfully connected schools and the commercial sector to volunteer time, services and resources. 225 schools and 123 companies supported a total of 146 school volunteer corps and contributed 2,432,643 service hours.

Hong Kong Young Ambassador Scheme

The Scheme was jointly organised by the Tourism Commission and the HKFYG, with the Hong Kong Association for Customer Service Excellence as a co-organiser. In its 12th year, it continued to nurture young people as Ambassadors to promote Hong Kong as a preferred tourist destination through training programmes, including workshops, company visits and a "Young Service Stars" Competition. Also part of the programme were Ambassadors being stationed at local tourist attractions, participating in local tourism promotional events and organising activities to promote excellent services to schools. This year there were 601 applications to be Young Ambassadors, with 223 appointed to the role.



NEIGHBOURHOOD Teams

Supported by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Community Project Grant, more than 1,900 youth volunteers from 52 neighbourhood teams took the lead to provide services for over 21,000 neighbours throughout Hong Kong.

Easy VolunteerNet

In response to the increase in the number of volunteers and demand for service opportunities, and due to the popularity of its Internet platform, VNET is in the process of building a versatile Volunteer Service Opportunity website. Named "Easy VolunteerNet", the point is to match volunteers with suitable opportunities, while also providing them with updated information and sharing personal experiences. The system is expected to be up and running by the end of 2013.

Volunteer Exchange Programmes

Hong Kong and Sanxiang Town Youth Volunteers Exchange Programme

60 youth volunteers went to Zhongshan Sanxiang Town to serve the elderly who live alone and worked with 25 Zhongshan volunteers, sharing their experiences together.



Volunteer Service of "Our 15 Years – Youth Musical Performance"

In July 2012, VNET mobilised 178 youth volunteers to help register, usher, distribute materials and facilitate logistics at the "Our 15 Years – Youth Musical Performance". This was one of the significant events celebrating the 15th Anniversary of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region at which 8,000 young people participated at the Hong Kong Coliseum.

Volunteer Service for InnoCarnival 2012

458 youth volunteers served in the InnoCarnival, a highlight programme organised by the Innovation and Technology Commission.

Professional Publications

New Perspective – Sustainable Volunteering

This book highlighted real life cases and volunteer experiences on "the sustainability of volunteering".

Report on Youth Volunteer Leaders Training Programme

The report consolidated the reflections and learning of delegates both from Hong Kong and Beijing who joined the "The Fourth HKFYG Tsinghua University Youth Volunteer Leaders Training".

Awards

Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award

Five of nominated youth volunteers Mr. Wong Chan-chuen, Miss Lam Tsz-ying, Miss Law Wan-chung, Miss Tsang Lok-chi, Miss Sin Wai-man won the Outstanding Youth Volunteers 2012 awards from the Social Welfare Department.

Best Student and Youth Volunteering Project Competition

Two projects from Leadership 21 and Tsuen Wan Youth S.P.O.T. respectively were selected as the 2012 Best Student and Youth Volunteering Project awarded by the Social Welfare Department.

Top Ten Highest Service Hours Award

The Federation ranked the 4th in the "Top Ten Highest Service Hours Award" by the Steering Committee on the Promotion of Volunteer Service 2011 under the public organisation category.

Service Statistics

Over the past year, VNET had received 12,636 new volunteer registrations resulting in a total of 169,037 registered volunteers. The volunteers have contributed a total of 3,139,429 service hours including 706,786 hours from 27,835 active VNET registered volunteers and 2,432,643 hours from the Heart to Heart Project. The Federation also offered 894 volunteer training programmes, with the participation of 32,593 young people.





The Federation encourages young people to be law-abiding and contributing citizens. As a result of the outreaching social work teams and youth support scheme, the HKFYG Youth Crime Prevention Centre (YCPC) provides five categories of services: prevention education, crisis intervention and professional assessment, counselling and treatment, multi-disciplinary collaboration, and advocacy. Innovative and effective services are provided for youth at risk and young offenders in three main areas of concern: youth crime and deviance, sex-related crisis, and drug abuse. There were 4,146 cases dealt with, and 500 programmes organised during 2012-13. Near 110 volunteers, professional from different sectors, acted as advisors, partners or trainers to formulate and implement counselling schemes.

Prevention Education

The **Youthlaw website** and apps provide educational information and statistics on youth deviance and delinquency and ways to seek help. There were 28,000 visits to the website and 1,294 downloads of the Apps this year. With support from the Law Society of Hong Kong and volunteer legal advisors, the **“Law-abiding One Minute”** programme was produced to promote legal information and anti-crime message.

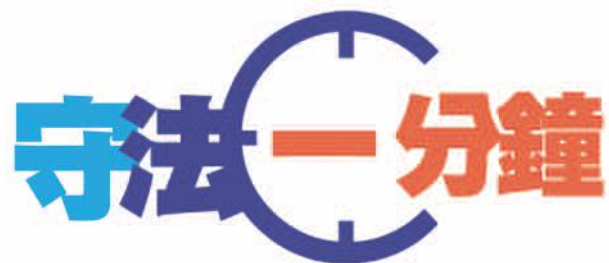
32 Education and Identification Workshops provided young people the opportunity to enhance their law abiding values and self-protection awareness of risky sexual behaviour and drug issue. The Workshops also assisted different stakeholders to enhance their identification and intervention skills.

A **Law-abiding Campaign** was carried out by 150 youth at risk volunteers to promote law-abiding values through different methods in Kwai Ching, Tsuen Wan, Tuen Mun and Tseung Kwan O.

Crisis Intervention and Professional Assessment

YCPC Hotline 81009669 provided enquiry services and crises intervention on youth crime and deviant problems. Professional assessments on criminal and sexual behaviour and drug abuse were dealt with. Risk-Need-Responsivity Assessment was delivered to 390 youth under the Police Superintendent’s Discretionary Scheme.

“Project R” is the first scheme in Hong Kong jointly organised by YCPC and the Hong Kong Police Force in the New Territories South District, which provided crises intervention for juveniles aged 10 to 17 under arrest and investigation, with 262 young persons served.



Counselling and Treatment

Youth crime and deviance

3,031 youth cases with criminal and deviant behaviour were served this year by professional case counselling and special projects.

E.Positive – youth gang counselling scheme: 62 programmes for 545 youth were served by providing cognitive behaviour counselling, social and career skills training, positive life activities and life planning in order to reduce the influence of criminal culture around them.



Youth Gang Violence Projects: 370 youth with known violent behaviour and gang fights were served by three main projects: Life Decode, Sanshou Anti-violence Project and Teen Action. The Projects provided conflict and emotional management skills training and law abiding values for the at-risk youth in order to enhance their self-efficacy and stop gang fights.



CAT – anti-theft counselling programme: Drama training was provided for 39 youth accused of shop-lifting. The programme helped participants to stop thieving and used drama shows to promote anti-theft messages in the community.

“Yes I Can” Emotional Management Training Programme: 27 groups of 232 young offenders in ten correctional institutes were served in enhancing their emotional management skills by using creative art and experiential learning.

My Story: With funding support from the Sai Kung District Council, 12 young people with gang and criminal backgrounds were recruited to share their past experiences with the public through multimedia and autobiographies. These stories serve both as inspiration and warning to other at-risk youth from the community.





Sex-related behavioural issues

577 youth cases with sex-related behaviour were served. "LoveSim" – a card game was developed to cultivate appropriate sexual behaviour and values. It also served to increase self-protection awareness and skills and helped young people understand the risks of compensated sexual dating and other related issues. 35 counselling groups with the activities of 350 youth were organised to foster self-image and enhance emotional and sexual impulse management skills.

Drug abuse

538 drug abuse cases with related problems were served.

Project Shine II, sponsored by the Beat Drugs Fund, provided comprehensive drug damage assessments and activities based on cognitive behaviour treatment module, CBT counselling, and clinical psychology service for 111 young drug abusers in Kwai Ching and Tsuen Wan.

Making Life Work, sponsored by the Sai Kung District Council, served 150 at-risk youth and young drug abusers in Tseung Kwan O. Mobile assessment tools, medical services, skills training, self-enhancement activities, volunteer services and life allowances enhanced their abilities at social competence and social inclusion.

Advocacy and Service Development

Opening Ceremony of YCPC with Youth Crime Discussion Forum was carried out on 7 June 2012 to launch the 'Youthlaw' app and to discuss new trends and treatments with regard to youth crime deviance.

Two studies "At-risk youth and sexual crises" and "Study on deviant behaviour among adolescents" were conducted to discover the values and causes of such risky behaviour. Preventive education and treatment strategies were suggested.

The book "Anti-drug Training for Parents" was published to consolidate the treatment content and experience to help assist parents build up effective communication with their children in anti-drug education.



WL Residence (WLR)

WLR provides short term residential services with life planning guidance and career skills training for youth aged 18-24 year olds. 29 young people were served this year.

The Way Forward

The main focus of the Youth Crime Prevention Centre in the coming year is to conduct more effective and innovative counselling services to help deal with youth crime and deviance. A study on youth cyber crime will be conducted to discover the trends and causes, as well as provide suggestions on preventive measures, along with treatments. Project IAPT, a comprehensive psychological therapy service, will be initiated to provide counselling for at-risk youth and young drug abusers.





Young people are facing various challenges in their path of development. They need support and guidance to strengthen their resilience and skills to tackle. The Federation helps young people to smooth their way through the following counselling services:

Student Support Services

Student support services are delivered from kindergarten to secondary school students to help them tackle problems derived from studies and developmental crisis. Along with this, support is also offered to parents and teachers.



Guidance and Counselling through School Stationing

Stationing school social work services were provided for 3 kindergartens and 28 primary schools by the Student Guidance Team. A total of 582 cases with emotional and psychological problems, behavioural problems and family problems were handled. Altogether, 17,342 consultations and 1,043 activities for students, parents and teachers were offered.

School stationing services were also delivered to 36 secondary schools. Among these, 16 were served by the School Social Work Unit while the remaining 20 were served by 11 Youth S.P.O.Ts. In total, 1,540 cases together with 9,657 consultations and 1,402 programme sessions were offered to students and their parents.



Enhancement Services for Students' Learning

Services for Students with Special Educational Needs

Counselling and training were provided by the HKFYG Jockey Club Student Support Centre for schools and also at the centre. In the reporting period, training and therapeutic groups together with specially designed interest courses were organised in 13 schools for dyslexic students to acquire effective learning skills and improve their emotional and behavioural problems. Meanwhile, the Student Guidance Team also provided services for 12 primary schools for students with dyslexia, autism or hyperactive disorder. As for secondary schools, School Social Work Unit also tried to use board games and drawing to help students with attention deficit and social skill problems.

In order to strengthen dyslexic students' supporting network, seminars, mutual support groups and workshops were held to equip teachers and parents with practical techniques in handling dyslexia.

Other Learning Experiences

A total of 512 programme sessions of "Other Learning Experiences" were held in 150 schools. This year, the following four areas, moral and civic education, career-related experiences, community services and arts education, were covered.



Enhancement Services for Development of Students' Resilience

Healthy School Programme in Tai Po District

A total of 125 programme sessions were organised at two serving schools in Tai Po in the reporting period. Visits, talks, workshops and community services were organised to promote anti-drug message and also to develop healthy life attitude among students.



Understanding Adolescent Project (Primary)

This project provided a wide range of activities designed to enhance the resilience strength of Primary four to Primary six students. 51 primary schools joined in the 2012-13 academic year.



P.A.T.H.S. to Adulthood: A Jockey Club Youth Enhancement Scheme

This project aimed to cultivate young people's potential and to help Secondary 1 to Secondary 3 students to achieve a holistic development. The project was completed in August 2012, thus, only two controlled schools are still served by the Student Guidance Team up to August 2013.



Life Planning Programme for Senior Secondary Students

Good planning is essential for students to face their challenges in future. The School Social Work Unit designed an interactive simulation game and activities to motivate secondary students to plan for their future. In total, 14 secondary schools joined and a total of 2,300 students were served.

School-based After-school Learning and Support Programme

This programme is designed to give underprivileged students more opportunities of learning and experience. The Student Guidance Team provided services for 12 schools in total.



Counselling Services for Addictive Behaviour

HKFYG Youth Wellness Centre (YWC)

YWC was established in 2011 under the support of Fu Tak lam Foundation. In collaboration with the Hospital Authority New Territories West Cluster (NTWC), tailor-made service to young people with addictive behaviour is offered. Apart from clinical counselling service, a series of educational programmes are organised and delivered to schools and communities in order to spread the message of healthy and positive life style.

Case Profiles

In the reporting period, the Centre handled 165 intake cases from the 721 referrals received. Of these, 104 cases received intensive counselling, medical and psychological assessments and treatment. Among the addictive behaviours, addiction to the Internet (74%) and drugs (17%) were the top concerns. Since addictive problems are complicated in nature, intensive counselling sessions, community-based approach and cross-professional intervention are offered. Some cases were further referred to the Centre's Clinical Psychologist or Medical Officers from NTWC.



“WiseNet” Educational Board Game and Professional Training

An educational board game entitled “WiseNet” was devised by the Centre to help young people use the Internet prudently. The game is designed for Primary 4 to Secondary 3 students and 500 free sets will be distributed to teachers and social workers.

In the project period, YWC launched a series of professional training workshops on various addiction issues, especially Internet addiction among young people. Training was offered to professional bodies such as The Hong Kong Professional Counselling Association, Education Bureau, Social Welfare Department, Hong Kong Police, Department of Health, as well as Youth and Education Bureau of Macau SAR.



Media Counselling

Youth Counselling Centre

In response to young people's increasing need for counselling through social media, the Youth Counselling Centre continues to provide immediate support for youth in crisis by hotline and online counselling.

Hotline Services

In the reporting period, 692,660 incoming calls to Youthline 2777 8899 were registered. Among these, 47,399 cases were handled with immediate support to address their concerns and emotions over the phone. Problems relating to mental health, emotion and school were the top three concerns of young people.



Infoline Service

Infoline is a 24-hour free telephone service providing counselling messages and useful information to help primary students develop positive attitudes and coping skills. Callers are also encouraged to share their thoughts by leaving messages in the voice box. Over the past year, a total of 377,693 callers listened to the stories and performances of Infoline.



Online Counselling

Sponsored by the Lotteries Fund, “uTouch” online outreach counselling services aim to identify, connect and render services to youth at risk aged from 6 to 24 with emotional, behavioural and / or addiction problems. From April 2012 to March 2013, 11,298 caring messages were left and 1,352 young people were successfully engaged.

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To help candidates of the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (DSE) to cope with stress and plan for their future, a series of talks, workshops, mock interviews and trial classes in local universities were held. DSE students and their parents were equipped with practical information or tips about further studies. Through hotline and online platform, social workers and volunteers offered immediate guidance and counselling to a total of 7,562 hotline callers and 2,352 online cases.

Youth Assessment and Development

Students with special educational needs or developmental difficulties, such as dyslexia, hyperactivity and delayed speech development, are becoming more common in Hong Kong, as are children labelled as ‘gifted’. With the establishment of The HKFYG Youth Assessment and Development Centre in 2012,



provision is now made for early identification and assessment for students between the ages of 2 and 25. Apart from assessment, the Centre also provides diverse programmes and training to aid in the development of children's multiple intelligence and enhance their learning and social skills.

From November 2012 to March 2013, the Centre received 262 enquiries from parents and schools. In the reporting period, 237 students joined individual or group training. Special focus was given to those students with attention deficit issues, as well as those with speech problems. Regular workshops were also provided to parents, with 117 parents joining in.





The Federation has been providing pre-primary education since 1997 and now runs two kindergartens-cum-day nurseries in Sai Wan Ho and Yaumatei.

Introducing a Picture Book Approach in Teaching and Learning

Teachers have found picture books to be a great way to get children to focus, while also improving their creativity, imagination, curiosity, critical thinking, language development and most importantly, their interest in reading. In the past year, Ching Lok Kindergarten (Yaumatei) carried out a series of training for teachers to enhance their teaching skills with the use of picture books. With the guidance of teachers, the students' knowledge in other learning areas, such as mathematics and art appreciation, were also developed.

Enhancing Teaching Skills Through Creative Dance

Stressing creativity as an essential quality for students, the Ching Lok Kindergarten focused on developing teachers' teaching skills in creative dance. Focusing on body movement and body language to tell a story, teachers became more confident in this method of teaching. Meanwhile, students also learnt more about their body and to use it to express themselves. Through dance, social interaction among students is further increased.



School Social Work Service Sponsored by the Bank of China (Hong Kong)

Thanks to funding from the Bank of China (Hong Kong) over the past two years, both Ching Lok Kindergartens strengthened stationing social work service to include preventive work on children with emotional disturbances and furthered child-centred play therapy and structured parent education programmes. The expanded services enable help to be given to parents and children to develop skills in emotional management, improving child-parent relationships. This is an area that requires long term commitment and it is important to advocate for the government to specifically address this issue and provide funding support to all kindergartens in the near future.



Third Kindergarten

Through the 2012 school allocation exercise, the Federation was allocated a kindergarten premises at Choi Tak Estate in Ngau Tau Kok by the Education Bureau. With a generous donation from the Verdant Foundation, the kindergarten will be named after the father of the donor as The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups KK Cheng Kindergarten. Furnished to be modern, high-tech and innovative, this kindergarten is aimed to nurture students with an interest in learning as well as to lay a solid foundation in students' language skills. The venue has a performance area to help children build their confidence, practise their language skills, develop creativity and enhance their self esteem. This kindergarten will start serving the community from the 2013-14 school year.

The Way Forward

The continuation of the picture book approach will be the major area of learning in the coming school year, and emphasis will be on building a solid foundation for the new kindergarten in Choi Tak Estate.





The vision of HKFYG Lee Shau Kee Primary School (LSKPS) is "To provide quality education in Tin Shui Wai". Starting from this year, the school implemented a new three-year plan that focuses on enhancing the curriculum.

Chinese Language

After years of hard work, the Chinese department established a variety of effective teaching strategies in writing, such as Four Element Sentences, Five Element Sentences, Casual Writing, Classroom Writing, story writing, imitating writing, co-writing and online crossover writing. Also taught was a group writing activity known as "Shū Xiāng Wéi Chéng".

For the fifth year, the school obtained the "Quality Award for Promoting Writing Culture in School". The students have also received Gold and Bronze Awards in the Chinese Language Elite Project, which was organised by the Chinese Language Education Research Association and consigned by the Gifted Education Section of the Education Bureau (EDB), aiming to identify gifted students in the Chinese language.

English Language

The English reading curriculum at all levels has been restructured in the past few years. For the lower primary levels (P.1-P.3), with the cooperation of the Native-speaking English Teacher, the Primary Literacy Programme-Reading / Writing (PLP-R/W) has been developed. The programme aims at developing students' interest in reading and building up a good foundation of English. This year, the "Reading in Action" programme for Primaries 4 to 6 was started, which improves the ability in reading a variety of English materials. This programme was developed by the English Panel teacher during her two-year secondment at the EDB. With both these programmes firmly in place, the school has a complete and interrelated reading curriculum to establish a good foundation in English for students.

Moral Education

The school initiated a three-year plan on moral education, focusing on students' self-discipline, self-care and self-confidence. The focus for this year was self-discipline. A series of measures were implemented, including students attending the morning exercise session and assembly on time without lining up in



the classroom. With teachers' clear instruction and timely guidance, students were able to attend these activities quietly and punctually.

These efforts were recognised by the Committee on Home-School Co-operation and a special award ceremony of their "I Did It" Award scheme, commending primary school students who have made outstanding improvement in academic or non-academic performance, was conducted. As this scheme was fully supported by the Hong Kong Disneyland Resort, two Disney characters, Mike and Sulley of the film 'Monsters University', came to the award ceremony, to the delight of students.

The school was also proud to receive the Caring School Award in the Caring School Award Scheme again this year.

The Way Forward

Tailor made teaching strategies will be adopted to cater for the needs of students in the Tin Shui Wai district. Students will also be helped to build up a more solid foundation for learning and the school's gifted programme will strengthen teacher's training. Emphasis will also be placed on helping the children develop their self-care ability, including their sense of responsibility and self-image.





'Wisdom in Action' – HKFYG Lee Shau Kee College (HLC), the Federation's first EMI secondary school in Tin Shui Wai, aims at providing quality education that promotes academic excellence and nurtures students of impeccable character. In its seventh year, HLC has developed six levels (S.1-S.6) with 29 classes and approximately 700 students, and a team of 67 teachers, including the Principal.

During the 2012-13 academic year, HLC made a commitment to a number of areas and most of the targets were reached with positive and encouraging results.

Sowing for Academic Excellence

Strong emphasis was put on enhancing students' self-directed learning skills and catering for learning differences. "Reading to Learn" was promoted through morning reading sessions almost every day, incorporating extensive reading schemes across the curriculum and expanding resources in the Library. Various academic events were in place to raise students' interests and stretch their potentials and students' achievements and learning attitude were recognised by a "3S Stars Award Scheme".

Raising Students' Awareness of Their Rights and Responsibilities

HLC adopted a whole school approach in launching the "Education for Life Programme", of which the focus was to inculcate in students the virtues of "respecting others" and "taking up responsibility". A structured Class Association was introduced at all levels to promote sense of belonging to the school. Education Camps, thematic assemblies on Chinese Traditional Values and various community service sessions continued. With 4 houses, inter-house rivalry continued to be a focus of healthy competition

and this year, events were organised in music contests, ball games and translation contests. The overall champion of 2012-13 was Rationality House.

Enhancing Teachers' Professionalism

Exchanges with teachers of Baptist Wing Lung Secondary School, Shatin Tsun Tsin Secondary School and Immanuel Lutheran College were arranged to develop both teaching and curriculum management. The Principal of Ying Wa Girls' School and Outstanding Teacher Award winner, Ms. Hung Suet-ye, spoke to the teachers about management skills. At staff meetings and staff development days, teachers were reminded of the importance of maintaining team spirit through collaboration and professional dialogue.



Comprehensive Review

The Comprehensive Review (CR) was conducted in December 2012. The school was commended for being a school with a clear vision and a mission in line with the educational trends in Hong Kong. Teachers were commended for being hard-working and possessing a good knowledge of their subjects. Students were commended for being generally well-behaved, proficient in English and having a good sense of creativity. Parents were commended for being cooperative and supportive to the school. The CR report has been uploaded to the school website for public reference.

Achievements

Students

The DSE results in 2013 were very encouraging. Tsz Cho-ho achieved 5** in all seven subjects he took. The percentage of

students' attaining level 5 or above was also well above the territory average.

Excellent scores were obtained in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools and the Australia Mathematics Competition. The school did very well in the Schools Music Festival and various inter-school debating competitions. HLC also won the Gold Medal at the Yuen Long District English Singing Competition and was the Overall Champion at the IVE Business Administration Career Pioneer Training Programme. The Drama Club continued to impress audiences with their annual show titled, "The Case of the Missing School". The athletes continued to excel, with the basketball, rugby and swimming teams winning their various respective regional championships. S.4 student Choi Kin-hang was sponsored by Yan Oi Tong to join the Green Adventure to Kenya, Africa while S.5 students Lai Yuen-kiu and Keung Yin joined the Beijing Summer Camp organised by the Education Bureau.



Teachers

Ms. Woo Mei-wah, the Visual Arts Teacher and Ms. Sandy Yeung, the Music Teacher were recognised by the Hong Kong Arts Development Council with the "Outstanding Arts Teacher Awards" for their outstanding contribution in promoting arts education.

Outlook for the Future

HLC has forged ahead over the past year with many important initiatives that characterise the school as a progressive and learning community. Endeavours will continue to stretch students' potential in learning and whole person development through consistent reflection on pedagogy and programmes.





HKFYG Continuous Learning Centre

In response to rapid social changes, continuous learning has become an effective way to maintain professional and educational competitiveness and so the HKFYG Continuous Learning Centre was established in 2008. Since then, the Centre has offered a series of quality learning courses covering a wide range of topics, which fulfill the interest, academic and employment needs of young people.

With an increasing number of courses and registration over the past few years, it is hoped that the recently set up Causeway Bay Learning Centre, located in the heart of the city, will meet the needs efficiently and effectively. Altogether, 276 courses were offered with over 4,600 applications.

The Centre obtained recognition of Qualification Framework (QF), and applied successfully for accreditation for many popular courses, including: "Technical Analysis in Investment", "Advanced Mediation Training", "Certification in Physiotherapy Assistant Training", "Certification in Clinic Helper Training" and "Certification in Playgroup Trainer". License and approval from the Education Bureau to set up 'The HKFYG Continuous Education Centre', was also granted, which mainly focused in providing academic courses, such as language and accountancy.



The "Technical Analysis in Investment", "Advanced Mediation Training" courses were also included in the Continuous Education Fund (CEF) Reimbursement Course list. Subsidisation of tuition fees from the government enables more students to enroll.

With the Hong Kong Design Institute and sponsored by the Lee Hysan Foundation, the Centre organised 'Film-VIVA' Young Filmmaker Scheme (2011-2013). The Centre had also, with the help of sponsorship from the Chow Shek Fai Foundation, organised the "Learning for Good" Youth Learning Scheme, subsidising qualified youth.



HKFYG Xu Bei Hong Art S.P.O.T.

With cooperation from the Xu Bei Hong Art Committee, Renmin University, the HKFYG Xu Bei Hong Art S.P.O.T. was established to promote Chinese art and a deeper understanding of Xu's painting. The Art S.P.O.T. offered traditional Chinese painting and calligraphy courses, which attracted applications from both young people and adults. It also provides on-site painting courses and encourages entry in public competitions.

The Art S.P.O.T. further organised the "Art Teacher Diploma", with the Xu Bei Hong Art Committee, with the graduates going on a field trip to Beijing, to attend various art courses at the campus of Renmin University, where they also received a Diploma.

The Xu Bei Hong Cup International Arts Competition for Young Adults & Children 2012 was organised and had attracted more than 800 schools and institutes to join, with over 20,000 pieces of artwork received. The Award Ceremony and Artwork Exhibition were held at the Hong Kong City Hall and Youth Square respectively. With help from 60 youth using modern technology, a dynamic show of Master Xu's masterpieces was shown in City Hall which attracted thousand times of participants.

Future Development

Based on the Federation's over 50 years of youth social work experience, there is a plan to establish the Youth Work Professional Development Centre. The mission of the Centre is to be an inspiring learning platform and its purpose is to provide training to peers and the general public to strengthen their abilities and techniques in their employment needs. Specialised courses will be taught by experienced trainers. It is hoped that the Centre, working in close cooperation with the other Youth S.P.O.Ts, will focus on all round learning, equipping youth social work with the very best of skills.





The Parent-child Mediation Centre and the Family Life Education Units in Tai Po / North District, Kowloon City, Yuen Long, Eastern / Wanchai, Tsuen Wan / Kwai Tsing continued to adopt and promote mediation as an effective way of conflict resolution. Apart from mediation, other professional services included talks, workshops and family activities to help parents and their children develop a sense of responsibility and mutual respect, establishing a two-way communication system.

Parent-child Mediation Service

By promoting the principles and skill of mediation, the service helps parents and their adolescent children learn positive ways of communication and conflict resolution. In the reporting year, 101 parent-child pairs benefited.

School Project on Effective Parent-child Conflict Resolution Skill

This project was launched in 22 primary and secondary schools by organising workshops and seminars for parents and students. More than 5,400 students and 1,600 parents participated.



Parent and Family Education Programmes

The Centre organised 144 mediation related programmes with 11,863 participants. In addition, different Family Life Education programmes were provided to help a total number of 6,491 parents and adolescents.

Other Collaborative Programmes

Parent Education Talk Series

For the 8th year, the Federation continued to co-organise the territory-wide parent education talk series with Vocational Training Council where four talks were held and over 870 parents attended.



"NEIGHBOURHOOD First" Reunion Lunch

The Centre held the Lunar New Year Reunion Lunch for residents in Wan Chai district. About 30 volunteers and 180 district residents sat down at 20 tables for a big bowl feast and variety show to promote mutual care and social harmony.

Supportive Network for Mainland Women Immigrants

With funding support from the BOCHK "Caring Hong Kong – A Heart Warming Campaign", a two-year project has been in place since September 2011 in Kwun Tong and Wong Tai Sin. The aims are to establish a mutually supportive network for new arrival women and strengthen their personal and parental competencies. In the reporting year, nine primary schools, five kindergartens and three NGOs joined. A total number of 183 programmes and 649 programme sessions were organised. The total attendance was over 8,000. More than 500 women immigrants were connected, out of which 228 were characterised with social withdrawal symptoms. Through participation and sharing, 84 have become volunteers who contributed more than 2,000 service hours in total. Different mutual support groups have gradually been established.



Peak Project

Sponsored by The Peak Tramways Company, Limited and The Peak Tower Limited, the Peak Project was organised before Christmas where nearly 100 parents and their children from impoverished families joined a trip to the Peak. The participating families also enhanced concepts of love, wisdom, competence, kindness, happiness and trendiness through various family games.

Stanley Tour

Funded and volunteered by HSBC, 44 parents and their children from deprived new immigrant families participated in a Stanley Tour after the Easter holidays. They shared a lot of happy moments in the process of sight-seeing and having a feast together.

Rugby Experiential Trip

About 60 parents and their children from low-income families took part in the 2013 Asian 5 Nations Hong Kong Home Fixture which was funded and supported by HSBC. All of participants were watching a rugby game for the first time and thoroughly enjoyed this excursion.

"Laughing Together for Mothers" on Mother's Day

Frontline experience has shown that mothers with socially withdrawal symptoms suffer great pressure and difficulties in parental life. As a result, the Centre arranged a "Laughing Together for Mothers" programme on Mother's Day to encourage mothers to develop a healthier social life. Different skill sets were suggested to the mothers, their families and friends to make appropriate changes. This programme received wide media coverage.





The Federation promotes creativity as a major foundation stone not only for knowledge acquisition, but also for practical effect.

The HKFYG Centre for Creative Science and Technology (CCST)

Established in 2009, the CCST focuses on primary and secondary school students, who, in 2012-13, took part in a variety of activities, including workshops, seminars, competitions, local and overseas exchange studies, to nurture their interests as well as increase their knowledge in science and technology. Altogether, nearly 11,000 students and teachers took part.



The Hong Kong Odyssey of the Mind Programme (OMP)

Now in its 18th year, the OMP attracted 567 students in 63 teams to join in the 2013 local competitions. Creative programmes included, the 'Odyssey Pin Design Competitions', the 'Creative Comic Competition', the 'Team Parade cum Competitions', 'Art Jamming', and the 'Creativity Challenge', all of which prompted great creativity and problem solving skills among the students.

Six winning teams represented Hong Kong at the World Finals at Iowa State University, USA in May 2012 with remarkable results, The S.T.F.A. Lee Shau Kee College won the championship, while St. Stephen's Girls' Primary School was awarded the 1st Runner-up and Pok Oi Hospital Chan Kai Memorial College was the 2nd Runner-up in their respective problem divisions.

The Hong Kong FLL – cum – Jr. FLL Robotics Tournament (FLL)

Partnering with The Hong Kong Polytechnic University and Semia Ltd., the FLL was held successfully in February 2013. 54 teams from 44 primary and secondary schools, as well as education centres participated. Under this year's themes, "Senior Solution" in FLL and "Super Senior" in Jr. FLL, students had to design, build and programme autonomous robots or

models which could showcase their knowledge of robotic engineering. They also had to conduct and present scientific research on the topic.

Carmel Secondary School, the 2012 local Champions, represented Hong Kong at the FLL World Festival in April 2012 at St. Louis, Missouri in USA, and won 1st Place in the Presentation Award.

The Hong Kong Student Science Project Competition (SSPC)

Aimed at encouraging students to demonstrate their understanding of science and the application of scientific knowledge, this year's SSPC had 172 teams from 72 secondary schools participating. Four champion teams were sponsored for an exchange tour studying the development and achievement in science and technology of South Korea. In addition, the team from Ho Dao College with their 'Fridge-odour Remover' also represented Hong Kong to take part in the NIWA Waikato Science and Technology Fair held in New Zealand, where they won 2nd Prize in the "Inventions and Technical Innovations" category.



The Hong Kong Green Mech Contest

To encourage more students to apply their knowledge of physics, energy exchange and green energy for mechanism design and technology, the Hong Kong Green Mech Contest extended its enrollment for senior secondary school students this year. There were a total of 51 teams from 41 primary and secondary schools and the champion teams from each division will represent Hong Kong at the World Green Mech Contest, which will be held in Taiwan in August 2013.

LEAD Project

Learning through Engineering, Art and Design (LEAD), promotes creative education, infusing technology with art since its launch in Hong Kong in February 2005. Over the year, LEAD organised the following:



New endeavours for LEAD Creative Class

With continuous sponsorship from the Hung Hing Ying and Leung Hau Ling Charitable Foundation and support from Education Bureau, this programme conducted 62 Scratch workshops for 1,840 students and teachers, as well as the Scratch Day Hong Kong 2012 event. It also launched two new inter-school collaborative projects among 11 mainstream and special needs schools, emphasising challenge-based learning and integrated learning.

Collaboration with IBM for EWeek Hong Kong

LEAD partnered with IBM China / Hong Kong Ltd. to conduct EWeek Hong Kong, a localised signature programme of the US National Engineers Week Foundation from 9 to 13 July 2012, providing seminars and hands-on activities on engineering for 529 students from 17 schools and community.



Worldwide recognition for publication

LEAD's first English publication *Super Scratch Programming Adventure!: Learn to Program By Making Cool Games* proved to be very popular by becoming an Amazon.com best seller in the US. More than 6,000 copies have been sold and a translation into Czech was also distributed in Europe.

Reaching out in Shanghai

LEAD was invited in November 2012 by the Shanghai China Odyssey of the Mind Association to organise "The Creative Education Forum" and "Scratch Workshops" for 154 and 241 educators respectively. This marked the official launching of LEAD creativity programmes in Shanghai.

Other Learning Experience (OLE) Tours for Secondary Students

The Youth Exchange Unit continued to provide school-based study tours to the Mainland and overseas for secondary students to match the complementary "service-learning" component of OLE. Local students had the opportunity to learn about and practically serve the needs of migrant workers' children during the Mainland trips.

This year eleven OLE Tours for 444 students from eight schools were arranged. Of these 10 were done in collaboration with a local community centre in Dongguan and one was held in Beijing.

Also organised was a service tour to Chiang Rai, in northern Thailand, with 15 students spending their time teaching Chinese language to ethnic Chinese children.



Exposure Series

A trip to Taiwan focusing on Environmental Conservation and a trip to Korea around the theme of Innovative Technology were organised. Altogether 234 students from three secondary schools participated in the three trips to Kaohsiung, Taiwan and two trips to Seoul. In Taiwan, students worked at recycling materials as well as organic farming, while students in Korea paid visits to the science museum and Samsung 4-D Digital. Students also participated in homestays with Korean families and had the chance to learn Korean traditional etiquette. Sponsored by the Sir Robert Black Trust Fund, 12 students joined the South Australia Leadership Training Tour.

Programme at Wudang

The second Wudang Trip was completed in August last year with sponsorship of BOC Group Life Assurance Company Limited. The Programme was very well received by local schools. 40 secondary students from 29 schools were selected out of 252 nominations from 78 schools. In order that students from underprivileged families had a chance for this meaningful training, 17 fee waiving places were included. During the eight-day trip, students learnt not only Wudang martial arts, but also Taoism. On 9 December 2012, the participants demonstrated their strengthened physique during the Report Back Session in the presence of the trip sponsor, parents and teachers. The alumni leaders have made a commitment to teach basic martial arts exercises for young children as part of their community service.

SAT Reception Programme

The Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) Reception Programme for the benefit of Mainland students who take the test in Hong Kong was again run with the support from The Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority. The three-day programme provides accommodation, meals, transportation and exchange activities with local guides and youth volunteers. This year a total of 248 students joined the Programme, which was organised six times over the past year.



Leisure, Cultural and Sports Services



HKFYG Jockey Club Hong Kong International a cappella Festival 2013

The HKFYG Jockey Club Hong Kong International a cappella Festival 2013 was a hit! With renowned a cappella groups – including the contemporary rock band *The House Jacks* from the United States, *MayTree* from Korea, *The Exchange* also from the United States and *Out of The Blue* from Oxford University – providing entertaining and enthusiastic performances, the audiences in Hong Kong were treated to some exceptional music. The overseas groups were also well supported by festival ambassador Ms. Ivana Wong, the HKFYG Hong Kong Melody Makers and various a cappella groups from Hong Kong.

The five concerts, two outdoor performances, numerous master classes and school workshops successfully delivered by the festival was a result of the generous support from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust.

a cappella Education

As a follow-through from the Festival and as a result of the overwhelming response from the public, the Federation initiated a series of a cappella educational programmes. Through the programme, students learnt more about a cappella, as well as techniques in singing. Teachers were taught how to organise a cappella group in schools. Talented a cappella groups were recognised and schools discovered a popular way to get students involved in music.

This was also sponsored by The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust.



HKFYG Hong Kong Melody Makers

This was a good year for the Hong Kong Melody Makers (HKMM). They were invited to perform at various significant events, such as "The Grand Variety Show in Celebration of the 15th Anniversary of the Reunification", the "Hong Kong Welcomes the Delegation of Shenzhou-9 Manned Spaceflight Mission Variety Show", the "2012 American Express Hong Kong Wine and Dine Festival", the "HSBC Community Festival" and the "a cappella Zhong Yue Feng Concert". The HKMM also performed for the community, made television appearances and held their own concerts.

Their Season Opening Concert – *Choral Space* was held in October 2012 at the Concert Hall of the Hong Kong Cultural Centre, with the accompaniment of jazz band and guest choirs. The HKMM has also performed various Cantonese tunes and classics in rearranged a cappella style at a concert held in November 2012 at the Sha Tin Town Hall and in April 2013 at the Hong Kong City Hall.



Hong Kong Youth Band

The Federation formed the HKFYG Hong Kong Youth Band by organising the first Youth Band Sound Competition in 2011. The goal was to motivate young people to fully utilise their creativity and passion to compose their own music.

In June 2012, the Youth Band Competition was organised for the second consecutive year and saw the enrollment of 102 local bands. The final was held at the Y-Studio, Youth Square, Chai Wan, with the 12 finalists judged by well-known musicians, including Davy Chan@LMF, Kevin Li@Hardpack, Sammy So@Kolor and Adky Wun.



Hong Kong Youth Dance

With sponsorship from the Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education, Hong Kong Youth Dance (HKYD) launched "Love to Share, Share to Love" Inclusive Art Project. Held from September 2012 to March 2013, this programme introduced dance to the blind, elderly and disabled as a way to highlight the positivity of dance for everyone.

The highlight of the year was their annual performance at Chiang Chen Studio Theatre, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University from 8 to 12 August 2013 with audience of over 500.

Hong Kong Youth Theatre

Hong Kong Youth Theatre (HKYT) was formed in May 2012 and focuses on bringing topical social issues alive through performance art. With the members' youthful vigour and talent, the performances include drama, music and dance.



Hong Kong Youth Percussion

Hong Kong Youth Percussion (HKYP) was formed in January 2013 as a representation of Hong Kong's energy. The group not only played contemporary percussion, but more interestingly, they made their own instruments from everyday objects such as plastic bottles, buckets and cans. HKYP epitomises the creativity of young people.

Tsuen Wan Indoor Sports Centre

The Tsuen Wan Indoor Sports Centre is a joint venture of the Hong Kong Housing Society and the Federation. Without any outside subsidy, the Centre is self-financing in its daily operations. Its aim is to provide high quality facilities and a wide range of sports, recreational and cultural activities for the youth and the public. In the past year, the Centre organised 545 courses and training activities with a total attendance of 21,469.

Some service highlights include:

Growth enhancement training, which aims to strengthen young people's competence and potential, while also providing training for the trainers to become better helpers and instructors.

Music and dance training encouraged creativity and talent. The Centre made full use of its venue to provide a wide range of musical and dancing activities. A series of "Music with U" programmes were organised with wide public support and which had great service impact in the community.

Adventure training included Sports Climbing Courses for children and youth and high quality adventure training for different schools and associations. The Sports Climbing Competition was organised annually in order to promote the challenging impact of Indoor Climbing Sports to the public.

Jockey Club Sai Kung Outdoor Training Camp

The camp is in Sai Kung, surrounded by picturesque scenery and built along the coastline in a tranquil and green setting. This is an area rich in marine life, with wetlands and mangroves. It is also an ideal venue for relaxation and training activities. The camp is equipped with versatile recreational and sports facilities, including sport climbing, abseiling, rafting, snorkelling, scuba-diving, canoeing and shooting. All this enables the offering of a wide range of tailor-made programmes and adventure-based challenges to young people.

The camp is currently undergoing the Phase III Redevelopment which is expected to be completed by 2013. The redevelopment will see the capacity doubled to provide 460 bed spaces and accommodate 250 day campers. All dormitories will be self-contained with bedroom, toilet, shower and a sitting room overlooking the beautiful Sai Kung Bay. The new canteen / café will offer different menu choices to cater the varied needs of campers. It is also expected that more programmes fostering creativity and green lifestyle will be enhanced after the redevelopment.



Lamma Youth Camp

The Lamma Youth Camp stands on a hill top and successfully makes use of its surrounding natural environment to organise adventure training programmes helping young people to combat challenges and go beyond perceived boundaries.

Last year, the Camp modified the popular war game programme "Mak Gung" into a simplified version for campers who found it interesting and exciting. Further new activities are under construction and will open once they have passed our internal risk assessments.

Stanley Outdoor Activities Centre

The Stanley Outdoor Activities Centre is situated along the beach in Stanley Bay and is a good place for holding aquatic and group life activities. The "Stanley Bay Challenge" remains the most popular programme, along with team building through kayaking and other sea-related programmes, that include different levels skill training in kayaking and team building through crafts.

Funded by the HSBC Community Partnership Programme, a half-year programme named "Stanley History" was launched last December, encouraging participants to discover the historical aspects of Stanley through walks and orienteering games.

Tai Mei Tuk Outdoor Activities Centre

The Tai Mei Tuk Outdoor Activities Centre, located near the main dam of Plover Cove, is a well known place for various kinds of water-sports. Programmes targeted at children and adolescents were promoted. Some training courses included qualifications for basic windsurfing and elementary level canoeing. Higher level courses were also run for those who were interested to enhance their skills. In addition to training courses, the Centre cooperated with various water sports associations to organise events for the public.

HKFYG Zhongshan Sanxiang Youth Training Centre

The HKFYG Zhongshan Sanxiang Youth Training Centre, located at Yongmo Village, Sanxiang Town, Zhongshan City, Guangdong Province, started its operations last year. Programmes focus on learning about township and village enterprises and local agriculture. Visits to historical sites and volunteering services were also organised for secondary school students and young people.

Explorations continue in how to enhance not only the activities and programmes, but also the venues, so that different target customers might be accommodated.



In order to keep abreast of youth opinions in a fast changing society, the Youth Research Centre (YRC) continues to provide relevant, up to date information through its research. Reports are published and then distributed to government officials, policy-makers, other relevant organisations and the general public. Information is also disseminated online. It is hoped that consistently updated information will help assist in the formulation of youth policies and the planning of youth services.

Youth Study Series

There is much interest in what young people think of authority and its consequences. The study called "Young People's Views on Authority" was conducted through focus group discussions with 29 young people and an online survey of 752 young interviewees. The study explored the views of the 15-29 year-olds on five selected authority figures, including senior government officials, police officers, teachers, parents and supervisors in the workplace.

Journal of Youth Studies

The Journal of Youth Studies provides a forum for professional discussion on youth topics, in order to advocate better

legislation and policies for youth services. Circulated to government departments, policy-makers, educational institutions, social service organisations, academics and experts working in the area of youth studies, as well as university libraries in Hong Kong, Mainland China, Taiwan, Macao, Singapore and other countries, the Journal is indexed in international databases, including PsycINFO and EBSCOhost. During the year, the YRC has published two issues:

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| July 2012 | 30 | The Challenges of Hong Kong's Economic Integration with the Mainland |
| January 2013 | 31 | Youth Development in a Multimedia World |

Studies on Current Youth Issues

The YRC has developed a new initiative during the year. Entitled "Studies on Current Youth Issues", this research series looked into various topics related to young people in the city using desktop research in both secondary and primary sources. A Study on "Private Tutoring of Primary and Secondary School

Students in Hong Kong" was published in March 2013. Data were gathered through (1) literature reviews on private tutoring of students in South Korea, Japan and Taiwan from various sources, and (2) a territory-wide random sampling poll of 524 local students studying from Primary 5 to Secondary 6. The study provides an analysis on private tutoring for students in the four locations mentioned above.

Youth Poll Series

Two online opinion polls were conducted in January 2013 to gauge young people's expectations and views on the Chief Executive's maiden Policy Address. A total of 547 and 533 members of the HKFYG, aged 15-34, were polled respectively.

Professional Publications

The Federation aims to facilitate the exchange of knowledge and information amongst practitioners, experts and academics, as well as those who are interested in youth work. We continued to consolidate and share experience gained in frontline practice through ten publications in 2012. They include:

- Anti-drug Training for Parents
- Essential Lessons for Youth Entrepreneurship
- Practical Guide for Modern Parents
- Problem Solving – Youth Work Practice
- LEAD Creative Class – Learn, Unlearn and Relearn
- Web Positive 3.0 – A Collection of Youth Online Blogs
- Give up? No Way!
- Fly High with Us – Stories of Young Savers
- Neighbourhood First – Experiencing Poverty
- The Cat Talks

The Federation participated in the Hong Kong Book Fair 2012 and introduced these books and other publications to the wider public.

Youth Hong Kong

Youth Hong Kong is a quarterly magazine in English with short Chinese synopses of major articles. It is written for adult readers in the education, government, NGO and business sectors. Each issue has a theme related to young people and their concerns, focusing on the Hong Kong perspective and current affairs. Topics are explored through analytical articles, interviews, statistics and discussions, with feature articles by young writers on a wide range of subjects. Recent themes have included youth crime and rehabilitation, creative ideas, poverty and demographics. With a circulation of 10,000+, the magazine is distributed to Federation partners, educators, social workers,

parents and professionals, both locally and abroad. It is also available online at youthhongkong.hkfyg.org.hk.



Youth S.P.O.T. Magazine

A Chinese language magazine for young people, Youth S.P.O.T. Magazine with a circulation of 35,000 copies, is published bi-monthly. It features a wide range of topics which are of interest to young people and those who want to know more about their lifestyle and thoughts. The magazine also serves as a platform for young people to share their stories and experiences. The online version can be viewed at youthspot.hkfyg.org.hk.

