

Training for voluntary works and activity

We are committed to fulfilling our duties as a responsible corporate citizen and donate to the charities regularly. Accordingly, in association with the Society of Boys' Centres ("the Society"), we have established the CCIF Scholarship & Development Fund ("CCIF Fund") to sponsor activities of the Society, as a way to benefiting more children and making a social contribution to the place we live and work. Also, we encourage and support our directors and staff to participate in charity work and community programs. On 1 December 2008, we invited a trainer from the Society to present a talk to our staff on spirit and skill of voluntary work. Enthusiastic response from our colleagues was received. Twelve staff members participated in voluntary works at the Society's service units the following week and three of them express their feelings to us after the activity. 🌐



Mr. Leung Chun Ping, Superintendent, Chak Yan Centre of the Society (the trainer; fifth left, first row), our Director Ms. Pammy Fung (sixth left, first row) and the participating staff members

Three of the volunteers expressed their feelings to us after the activity:

Mr. Johnny Chow, Auditor Shing Tak Centre (Kwun Tong)

Mr. Johnny Chow participated in the activity for gaining volunteer work experience. Johnny had some worries at first, he was worried that the students at the Society were over-active, having emotion problems and even violent tendencies. Having spent three days with them, he found that the students were normal, sensible and sociable,



and no fighting or rude language from them, contrary to his worries.

He thinks that he should be more tolerant and be fair to others whoever they are. Even if they are impolite; one should still be patient to understand their needs and problems. The activity has widened his vision and enriched his experiences. He will try other volunteer works in the future. 🇹🇼



Ms. Yoyo Lu, Auditor Cheung Hong Hostel (Tsing Yi)

Ms. Yoyo Lu hopes to help others whenever she can. Same as Johnny, she found that the children in the Hostel behaved normally. The children actively talked to them, asked about their job, and shared with them experiences in Sichuan (sponsored activity by CCIF Fund). However, the children in general have difficulties in reading and writing and have poor academic results. Some of them are over-active and in need of medicinal care.

She felt that their poor family background and lack of parental care may have led to the poor results. She has learnt from the activity to:



Tolerate – the children are kind-hearted despite their problem, so we should foster positive manners in them;

Understand – understand them and help them develop;

Care – care for others and always make self-assessments;

Treasure - be content with one's lot and treasure everything.

These 4 principles apply well in dealing with people. Always have good manner and maintain good relationship, so as to generate positive interactions! 🇹🇼

Mr. Derek Lam, Auditor Chak Yan Centre (Sham Shui Po)

Mr. Derek Lam feels happy that he can help others, see new things with a broadened vision. At first, he was a little concern that the students may have violent tendencies. Meeting them, he found that they were clever, disciplined and showed their talent especially in sports, the area in which he himself has been lacking and has been leading an unhealthy life style. Work apart, he feels he should devote more time to volunteer work, physical exercises and leisure activities, and to lead a more balanced life.

This activity has indeed been a good learning experience, in which he learned to think positively. He recalled that a student complained there was a lack of freedom in the Centre. He was sympathetic to the students' views at first, but realised at the debriefing session that the rules and regulation were there for the good guidance and correct manner for the students. Finally, Derek suggests that we should organise regular visits to the Society so that we can really help the children. 🌱

