

S.K.YEE MEDICAL FOUNDATION

余兆麒醫療基金

Grants Awarded under S.K. Yee Fund for the Disabled from 1998 - 2001

S.K. Yee Fund for the Disabled was first set up as a pilot scheme in February 1998 upon the assistance of the Secretary for Health and Welfare and the Commissioner for Rehabilitation. Applications are invited once a year by the Health and Welfare Bureau. Grants are made on the recommendations of an assessment panel comprising the Commissioner for Rehabilitation and representatives from the Social Welfare and Education Departments, who determine the relative priority and amount of grant for the support-worthy projects. A total sum of about \$20 million has been granted since the inception of the Fund. It is the present intention of the Trustees of the Foundation to make an annual donation of \$5 million to this Fund.

The objective of this Fund is to provide financial support to projects that will bring about an improvement to the mental or physical health and well-being of people with disabilities who are poor. The operation of the Fund has helped to complement the Government's rehabilitation programme so that people with certain types of disabilities (autism, hearing impairment, mental illness, physical handicap, speech impairment, visual impairment and visceral disability) might benefit.

Grants have been allocated to the following registered institutions and associations:

Alliance for Patients' Mutual Help Organizations (APMHO)
Arts with the Disabled Association Hong Kong
Association for Engineering and Medical Volunteer Services
Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service
Caritas Jockey Club Lok Yan School
Caritas Lok Mo Skill Centre
Chinese YMCA of Hong Kong Y's Men's Centre for the Deaf
Christian Family Service Centre
Ebenezer School and Home for the Visually Impaired -
Ebenezer Training Centre
Fortress Hill Methodist School
Grantham Hospital
Heep Hong Society - Wanchai & Wan Tsui Special Child Care Centres
Hong Chi Association
Hong Kong Association of the Deaf
Hong Kong Christian Service Pui Oi School
Hong Kong Federation of Handicapped Youth
Hong Kong Lutheran Social Service
Hong Kong PHAB Association
Hong Kong Rehabilitation Power
Hong Kong Retinitis Pigmentosa Society

Hong Kong School for the Deaf
Hong Kong Vocational Centre
Hong Kong Wheelchair Aid Service
John F. Kennedy Centre
Labour Department - Selective Placement Division
Lutheran Church School for the Deaf
Margaret Trench Red Cross School
Methodist Study Trust
Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council
New Life Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association
Paraplegic & Quadraplegic Association
PHC Ling Kwong BC
Po Leung Kuk Mr. and Mrs. Chan Pak Keung Tsing Yi School
Prince of Wales Hospital - Seating Clinic
Princess Alexandra Red Cross School
Queen Mary Hospital
Rehabilitation Alliance Hong Kong
Richmond Fellowship of Hong Kong
Shek Kip Mei Lutheran Centre for the Blind
Society for the Welfare of the Autistic Persons
St. Camillus Benevolent Association
Stewards Limited
The Hong Kong Occupational Deafness Association
The Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation
The Hong Kong Society for the Blind
The Hong Kong Society for the Deaf
The Hong Kong Stroke Association
The Mental Health Association of Hong Kong
The Open University of Hong Kong
The Scout Association of Hong Kong
The Society for the Relief of Disabled Children
The Society of Homes for the Handicapped
The Spastics Association of Hong Kong
The Spastics Association of Hong Kong - B.M. Kotewall
Memorial School
The Spastics Association of Hong Kong - Ko Fook Iu Memorial School
TREATS
Tung Wah Group of Hospitals - Social Service Department
Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Mok Law Sui Wah Memorial Sheltered Workshop
Victoria Park School for the Deaf
Vocational Training Council Pokfulam Skills Centre
Yan Chai Hospital - Early Education and Training Centre

Major grants were made toward the capital of the “Independent Living Fund” which provides short term financial assistance to disabled persons in financial hardship; operating a general restaurant to provide vocational training and job opportunities for discharged mentally ill patients; replacement of water heaters in a school and training centre for visually impaired students; equipment for printing in a workshop for ex-mentally ill patients; purchase of notebook computers for loan to needy students with disabilities in a university; purchasing a mobile audiological assessment unit for identifying hearing impairment; provision of cochlear implant device to profoundly hearing impaired persons with financial difficulties; costs of air-conditioners for hostels / centres; purchase of 8-seater commuter passenger van for trainees of a skills centre with disabilities; financial assistance to poor students with disabilities in pursuing secondary or further education; salary for a centre-based nurse scheme for three new Community Rehabilitation Network centres for chronic patients; renovation of the S.K. Yee Massage and Treatment Centre which provides training and employment to the blind, salary subsidy for the trial placement scheme for job-seekers with disabilities; improving the floor-surface of a sheltered workshop; equipment for fabrication of customized seating cushions for handicapped students on wheelchairs; purchasing wheelchair accessories and equipment for a seating clinic in a hospital; provision of geriatric chairs in wards and play / exercise equipment in the patients’ garden of a hospital to facilitate rehabilitation; self-learning kits for people with disabilities on open employment and radio programmes to promote their employment opportunities; establishing a tuck shop in a hospital; equipment for setting up a new training and activity centre for ex-mentally ill persons; purchase of banner production hardware and software and printing equipment for a workshop; replacement of existing PCs for training, acquisition of hardware and software for upgrading recycled computers; sponsorship for operating cost of a wheelchair aid service; and equipment for the General Eye and Low Vision Centre.