



**Core
Services**

Youth S.P.O.Ts

The objective of the Federation's 22 Youth S.P.O.Ts (Spaces 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 17 Integrated Team Centres, two Children and Youth Centres, two Youth Centres and Youth S.P.O.T. 21.

The 22 Youth S.P.O.Ts provide a wide range of learning opportunities, services and challenging experiences, with a special focus under the following: Social Exposure and Development, Strengthening Classroom Learning, Extending Educational Opportunities, and Connecting Young People. By the end of March 2018, the Youth S.P.O.Ts had a total of 377,755 members, with a total attendance standing at 3,608,498, and 18,607 programmes were organised.

The highlights of this year's programmes are:



Social Exposure and Development

Social Exposure and Development helps young people widen their perspectives and horizons through training, presentations and community participation on a range of subjects – from social issues to neighbourhood matters. Over the last year, there was a total attendance of 486,853.

Youth Experiential Learning Project

The Project encouraged young people to explore the issue of poverty from different perspectives and to express their views and concerns through multimedia. Sponsored by Hong Kong Airlines, seven teams provided with free air-tickets to study poverty in both Japan and Hong Kong, where they served street sleepers and interviewed local people and uploaded their videos and special features.



uKitchen – Love our Neighbourhood

Trained by Chef Alan Lee, over 100 NEIGHBOURHOOD First teams were taught to cook traditional Chinese New Year Rice Cakes and delivered 1,000 in rural Yuen Long. They also served desserts to 850 DSE candidates to encourage them during the examination period. Youth will continue to use the uKitchen at Youth S.P.O.Ts to cook and serve their neighbours.

NEIGHBOURHOOD First Teams Help with “Rice Giving”

With support of the Au Bak Ling Charity Trust, volunteers from Youth S.P.O.Ts helped operate 14 rice collection stations in all 18 districts. They visited and delivered the rice to needy families and individuals who are unable to collect the rice packets themselves. More than 5,296 households benefit every month.

Strengthening Classroom Learning

During the year, a series of learning support services were provided by the Youth S.P.O.Ts to help young people consolidate classroom learning and improve their ability and confidence in learning. The total attendance to all services of Strengthening Classroom Learning was 284,365.



Supporting Services to Primary Students

Primary students with different study needs were provided with After-school Care and Homework Tutorial Support Services, as well as personal development and extracurricular activities through 15 Youth S.P.O.Ts. Concerning the special needs of different districts, 4 Youth S.P.O.Ts provided the Enhanced After-school Care Service to support the children aged from 6 to 12, whose parents were unable to take care of them after school and during school holidays. Families-in-need would receive subsidies to join the service.

Community-based Projects

Sponsored by Sun Hung Kai Properties, SHKP Smart Kids Learning Project was launched in January 2017. This one-year project has been enhancing independent learning and S.T.E.M. capacity for 705 underprivileged children from Primary 1 to Secondary 3 through tutorial classes and LEAD classes, online tutoring, Community Classroom Online Channel, Smart Kids S.M.I.L.E. Corner and Smart Kids Talent Bazaar. About 234 volunteers rendered their help both at Youth S.P.O.Ts and online through the year.

80 youth from 10 Youth S.P.O.Ts also voluntarily formed Neighbourhood Learning Support teams to help those underprivileged students who encountered difficulties in their studies but who lacked the means to attend tuition classes. About 800 students benefited by small group or one-on-one tuition services.

Different workshops for parents and tutors and a large scale workshop for DSE candidates were held to improve the effectiveness of learning among young people.

To enhance students' motives and interests in learning, we collaborated with local artist, Ms. Siy Tak-yin and created picture story books to Primary School students. Exuberantly coloured artwork and favourite characters make educational stories the perfect introduction to looking and learning about colours.

M21 Online Community Classroom

This self-learning programme facilitated students to learn at their pace, and when they needed help, there were 24 videos which covered the subjects such as English, Maths, Liberal Studies, foreign languages and various topics. These videos can be viewed through the M21 channel on the M21 website.

Extending Educational Opportunities

"UP to learn • Learn to UP". With the idea of Progressive, Adaptive, Connective and Extending learning, nearly 1,000 UP courses in languages, visual arts, performing arts, cookery and music were organised for the extended education for over 6,000 students. Total attendance amounted to 400,000.

uKitchen

"uKitchen" is a new endeavour which was launched in March 2018, with an Advisory Committee formed by professional chefs. Cooking workshops were provided for children and young people to learn and experience professional skills. Regular uKitchen cooking classes were organised in Youth S.P.O.Ts throughout the year. Under the theme of "Love to Cook • Love to Share", the first uKitchen Junior Chef Competition will also be held soon.



UP Gallery

A painting competition was held in January 2018 with more than 100 entries. All the paintings were displayed at Comix Home Base. The event attracted over 700 visitors.

UP – Youth Experiential Project

In summer, the Youth Experiential Project provided comprehensive internship training for young people aged from 15 to 24, in service delivery and administrative work. The 184 participants contributed more than 13,000 service hours.

Connecting Young People

Young people are engaged via sports activities, music, uMarket, uCafe and social media to develop healthy lifestyles, creativity and perspective. These activities have drawn the attendance of 1,003,496 throughout the year.



Busking Anywhere – Our Music Summer

For the first time buskers were gathered to show off their talents. The 200 musicians held their own music show, Busking Anywhere – Our Music Summer, which also served as the kick-off of Summer Youth Programme. The buskers toured Kwun Tong, Tsim Sha Tsui, Sha Tin and Central in two open topped buses to entertain an audience of more than 10,000.

uMarket and Creative Community

Apart from the monthly youth handicraft market held in six Youth S.P.O.Ts throughout the year, a signature programme, 好玩·共創·共享@uMarket, was held at Sai Kung, where 50 young people showed off their delicate DIY products. Over 1,000 visitors saw the creativity and talent of the young artisans.

Pop-up @ uCafe

The uCafes in each Youth S.P.O.T. serve as a daily gathering point. This year a series of pop-up workshops were run at five of the uCafes, where young people could learn how to make desserts, brew coffee, hand make leather goods or paint portraits. Around 800 people joined in.

Sports and Social Media Platforms

Rugby, five-a-side football tournaments and Dragon Boat race were popular activities that engaged over 3,000 participants. Social media remains the foremost method of connectivity, through Facebook, Instagram, YouTube and the units' own websites; all of which saw a hit rate of 1,488,148.

Other Significant Activities

Hung Shui Kiu Youth S.P.O.T.

The new Hung Shui Kiu Youth S.P.O.T. began its services in November 2017. What distinguishes this Youth S.P.O.T. is its focus on creative learning, along with new smart elements with its equipment and in its design, with the spacious hall having the option to be partitioned into multi-purpose function rooms or exhibition galleries. It will also include a M21 media production studio, a LEAD lab and an open kitchen. Programmes to be conducted will include training in coding, A.I. and media literacy.

M21 Station @ Youth S.P.O.Ts

M21 stations have been set up at all 21 Youth S.P.O.Ts with young people actively using them to produce micro films, programme trailers and community programmes. The micro film, *Stories of the Neighbourhood*, was produced by all 21 Youth S.P.O.Ts and launched on the M21 Community Channel and other social media platforms.

Summer Youth Programme

Over 10,000 classes and activities were organised by the 21 Youth S.P.O.Ts and other service units during the summer. Young people enjoyed a wide range of activities under the theme to “Enjoy a Fantastic Summer”.



Community Team Sports

The HKFYG Jockey Club Community Team Sports Project again encouraged young people between the ages of eight and 25 to take part in five team sports. These were group runs, basketball, canoeing, rope skipping and ice hockey. Trainings were provided and the teams participated in leagues. Sportovation Community Service also encouraged young people's knowledge in sports to contribute and serve the community.

Three signature events were held this year: The “Orienteering for 18 districts”, a three month programme where young volunteers paired up with children to promote sports in different regions all over Hong Kong; The “Run for Happiness” encouraged young runners to visit and brought gifts, such as rice cookers and fans, to underprivileged families; A week long exchange tour to London for ten young people to observe how the city encouraged people to play sports and explore how sports can serve the community.

In looking back at the end of three years, the Project organised professional training courses and sports activities for over 50,000 participants and the Sportovation Community Service projects benefited over 120,000 service recipients.



Core Services

M21 Multimedia Services

Media 21 (M21) is both a multimedia web (M21.hk) and physical hub providing three service platforms: "Incubation", "Production" and "Broadcast".



Incubation Platform

The Media Academy runs regular courses which include training for campus TV, news reports, dubbing and micro-film production among others. Career related experiential tours are provided, with differences between traditional and new media explained. Participants to the course also have a chance to see firsthand the technical workings of newsrooms, radio stations and drama studios. Tailor-made courses are also offered on-campus with media experts, news practitioners and movie directors.

Specialised Course – Screenwriting Mentoring Programme II

M21 continues to organise seminars and master classes for amateur screen writers to be mentored by more established and well-known professionals. Sponsored by Create Hong Kong and Film Development Fund, mentors have included Mr. Lau Tin-chi, Ms. Susan Chan, Mr. Chan Hing-ka and Mr. Lam Chiu-wing.



Production Platform

All the programmes at M21 are produced by young people. The M21 Youth Production Team currently comprises more than 700 young people who make use of the one-stop multimedia production platform with ten broadcasting channels, producing programmes on current issues, school life, environment and lifestyle.





Public Policy Online@M21

M21 held a series of Youth Sharing Sessions on public policy with Government Principal Officials, including with Mrs. Carrie Lam, GBM, GBS, the Chief Executive, Mr. Paul Chan, GBM, GBS, MH, JP, the Financial Secretary, Mr. Wong Kam-sing, GBS, JP, the Secretary for Environment, Mr. Kevin Yeung, JP, the Secretary for Education and Mr. Frank Chan, JP, the Secretary for Transport and Housing. Topics included the Policy Address, the Budget and education, environment, housing and transport issues. The sharing sessions were broadcast directly online and young people had the opportunity to express their views to the Officials.



Book Fair

M21 produced a week-long youth TV programme at the Book Fair with visiting public figures, who were invited to share their insights on a range of topics such as leisure and learning initiatives, as well as their all time favourite books. Guests include Mr. Matthew Cheung, GBM, GBS, JP, the Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr. Paul Chan, GBM, GBS, MH, JP, the Financial Secretary, Professor Sophia Chan, JP, the Secretary for Food and Health, Mr. Michael Wong, JP, the Secretary for Development, Mr. Lo Wai-chung, the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Lau Ming-wai, GBS, BBS, JP, the Vice-Chairman of Youth Development Commission and Ms. Chan Yuen-han, SBS, JP, the Chairperson of Women's Commission.

Broadcast Platform

M21 has a wide broadcasting network, including M21.hk, set-top boxes in 150 secondary and primary schools and 21 Youth S.P.O.Ts, through which students and the public can watch the different production. On social media, M21 has its own YouTube channel and Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/m21.hk/>).



myTV SUPER

In collaboration with TVB, video programmes produced by M21 are broadcast on the “Free Zone” of myTV SUPER under “M21 Channel”. They fall under three categories: a “Creative Lab” which covers micro films and music videos; “Inno-Style” which promotes a green and healthy lifestyle; and “All About Youth” which explores the world through the eyes of young people.



Selected Competitions and Job Commission

Short Film Competition

M21 co-organised a Short Film Competition on news stories related to the insurance industry together with the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau and the Vocational Training Council.



The 9th Healthy Internet Video Contest and Healthy Comic Strip Contest

Both contests are co-organised and sponsored by the Office for Film, Newspaper and Article Administration. The focus is on enhancing public understanding on the Control of Obscene and Indecent Articles Ordinance. These territory-wide contests have become annual events among schools.

Social Innovation Short Film Sponsorship Scheme

In collaboration with and sponsored by the Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Fund and Youth.gov.hk, M21 organised young people to tell their stories of social innovation start-ups through short films.



Up-cycling Creative Design Competition

Sponsored by the Environment and Conservation Fund, M21 encouraged secondary school students to produce public information on waste recycling and promote the concept of up-cycling.



Loving Family – Song Composition Competition

The competition was co-organised with the Lee Kam Kee Family Foundation to promote love and care, open communication and harmony in families through song workshops. A live show was later held in front of guest judges.

Job Commission for Family Council

With a grant of over one million dollars, the Home Affairs Bureau commissioned M21 to produce Television and Radio Announcements of Public Interest (APIs) for the Family Council to promote the "2017–18 Family-Friendly Employers Award Scheme".



Employment Services

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 employers to hire young people.

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



Career Exploration and Life Planning

The target of the **Life Banking Project** is senior secondary school students and their school to work transition. This past year, 35,890 students from 96 secondary schools participated in a series of activities, workshops and seminars. YEN also offered individual assessments and counselling to 110 secondary school students from four partnered schools.

Working Reality 2.0, a programme supported by the Home Affairs Bureau, reached out to 7,766 senior secondary students from nine secondary schools to promote career planning concepts and helped them with basic employability skills.



YEN partnered with the Prudential Hong Kong Limited to operate **Hope for Success**. Nearly 200 secondary students enrolled to share their plans for the future. The 20 finalists were awarded scholarships to follow through with their dreams under the guidance of social workers.

YEN cooperated with Investor Education Centre to improve the financial literacy and education of students. Through workshops, such as **“Savvy Planner”**, which was presented to nine schools, 600 students were introduced to new financial “edutainment” board games. A further 300 young working adults from different organisations were given financial management training and 390 tertiary students participated in the **“Workplace Money”** Workshop.

Project Bridge, provides one-stop support services for unemployed young people and secondary school students with Special Educational Needs (SEN). Thus far, 129 students and 16 young people participated in the programme.





Employability Enhancement

YEN is one of the training bodies of the Labour Department's **Youth Employment Training Programme**. This year, 173 unemployed young people between the aged of 15 and 24 participated.

The **Employer Network**, formally launched in 2004, uses the Internet and email to bring notice of job vacancies to young people. Liaising with the business sector, over 250 job vacancies were created with related on-the-job training. Special employment projects included the Airport Ambassador Programme, Project Setup, Working Holiday@Lantau, Kerry Properties CS Trainee Programme and Hong Yip Trainee Programme.

Project Setup, supported by JP Morgan Chase Foundation and the Labour Department Youth Employment and Training Programme, provided innovative six-month management training for Associate Degree or Higher Diploma holders, in order to enhance employability and job opportunities to work in startups.

In collaboration with the Airport Authority, YEN is a partner of the EXTRA MILE project, which is a community investment project of the Hong Kong International Airport. **Working Holiday@Lantau**, one of the pilot programmes, is a one-year work placement programme, which includes exploratory programmes with free accommodation and learning subsidies to help participants explore different directions in life.

YEN cooperated with different corporates, including with Hang Seng Bank to launch the **Hang Seng GPS Youth Employment Programme**. This is the first youth employment project in Hong Kong to make use of the "Gap Year" concept to give secondary school students time to think about their futures. Last year, 20 cases were served through the programme, taking the total up to 105 cases since the project first began in 2014.



Comprehensive Career Information

YEN organised a large-scale **Youth Career Expo**. The expo served as a “One-stop-shop” for the 1,000 young people who attended. The **Jobtionary Website** helped secondary school students, their parents and teachers get more information on over 200 types of jobs to help plan for the future.



Incubating Young Entrepreneurs

The HKFYG Jockey Club Social Innovation Centre (SIC) was established with support from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, providing young entrepreneurs and start-ups with well-rounded support since 2015.

The SIC incubated young social innovators through the **Jockey Club Incubation Programme for Social Innovation**. In the reporting year, the SIC served more than 600 guests and visitors, and organized more than 100 activities, such as seminars, trainings, mentorings and networking events.

For over 13 years, the Ng Teng Fong Charitable Foundation has been supporting **Youth Business Hong Kong (YBHK)**, which offers one-stop services, including interest-free business loans up to HK\$150,000. Since its launch, YBHK has received 1,888 business proposals applying for support, with 189 being approved, receiving loans amounting to HK\$12,164,570.

The **One-stop Supportive Scheme for Young Entrepreneurs**, sponsored by the Youth Development Fund of the Home Affairs Bureau, enabled HK\$3,300,000 of funding support. Over 140 applicants applied and those who were shortlisted were trained in entrepreneurial knowledge and skills. In all, 15 companies were selected during the year and received HK\$300,000 seed fund to start their businesses.

With support from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, the **Social Innovation Conference 2018** focused on “Tech for Social Good”. Held on Entrepreneurial Day (E Day), leading technology companies like Amazon and IBM were invited. They addressed such issues as big data, AI (Artificial Intelligence) and IOT (Internet Of Things). Over 100 participants attended the conference and exchanged ideas on how social innovation could bring about social impact, and discussed future social innovation trends.





Enabling Young Entrepreneurs

The **Hong Kong General Chamber of Young Entrepreneurs (HKGCYE)** was founded by a group of enthusiastic and successful young entrepreneurs, who were supported by the Federation. HKGCYE has more than 200 members and has helped over 300 entrepreneurs set up over 150 businesses since 2015. The HKGCYE regularly organises seminars, networking events and visits to connect diverse industries and expand the network of young entrepreneurs.

This year, the SIC set up a **Mentorship Scheme** connecting over 120 experienced business mentors with young entrepreneurs, providing professional business knowledge and sharing their invaluable work and life experiences.

The **Start-up Mixer** is an innovative “speed-dating” business networking event for Hong Kong start-ups, organised by the SIC and was first launched in 2017. With the support of many successful entrepreneurs, angel investors and sector experts, the second Start-up Mixer was held on E Day of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council. More than 80 young entrepreneurs shared their insights and faced challenges with ten successful business leaders.

Scaling up Youth Start-ups

The **Social Innovation Challenge** was organised by the SIC and sponsored by DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited to promote social innovation and build a valuable platform for young people to seek resources to actualise their business ideas and improve the society. Ten teams were selected out of the 62 which applied.

Qianhai Entrepreneur Hub (E Hub) is a collaborative project of the Authority of Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone, Shenzhen Youth Federation and the Federation. Since its launch, over 304 start-ups have been based in the E Hub, with 158 from Hong Kong and Macau.



Youth Social Enterprises

HKFYG Organic Farm

Established in 2010, the HKFYG Organic Farm of over 14,800 square metres is located in Yuen Long with the aim to promote the link between healthy living and the environment. It is the only local farm which has both the USDA, as well as Hong Kong Organic Resource Centre, organic certification. The Farm has also won the “Top 10 Best Organic Retailer Award” for six consecutive years.

In 2017-18 the Farm produced around 41,382 catties of seasonal crops. The Farm also serves as an education platform, inviting young people to get their hands dirty by planting and harvesting. This year, around 28,000 persons participated in Farm’s activities.

In order to facilitate more people to enjoy fresh and organic vegetables, the Organic Farm established its online shop in June 2017, where vegetables will be harvested in the morning and delivered in the afternoon.





FAT CHOY / Organic 21

The rebranded FAT CHOY opened in January 2017. The 23 seat, semi-open kitchen format has proved to be very popular, with its healthy menu. Ingredients are sourced locally, including from the HKFYG Organic Farm, in order to promote both Farm to Table and a Low-Carbon lifestyle.

Next door to FAT CHOY is an accompanying retail store, selling organic food and other natural products sourced from around the world.



Meanwhile FAT CHOY and the store have cooperated with different service sectors to organise cooking classes as a way to introduce a career path in Food and Beverage or retail services for over 100 of candidates in the HKFYG Youth Support Scheme and amongst several secondary schools.

Café 21

Café 21, is situated in the Federation Headquarters and provides services to those who use the facilities of the Headquarters. Through employing youngsters as part time staff, this gives them hands on experience in café work. Café 21 is also available for rental and perfect for different activities.



PH3

PH3 is located on the third floor of the revitalised historic building on Lee Tung Street. With three combined units and a terrace of 89 square metres, this venue is a perfect spot for dining, corporate functions, private parties, cultural and artistic exchanges, small concerts, among other events. PH3 provides one-stop services with party/event necessities provided by young entrepreneurs.



Leadership Training

The HKFYG Leadership Institute is dedicated to creating a new generation of leaders for Hong Kong and now celebrates the start of a new chapter since initiating its commitment to leadership training since 2000.

Located on the premises of the revitalised former Fanling Magistracy, the Leadership Institute comprises Five Schools which will provide young leaders with opportunities to experience, embrace and be educated in a wide range of leadership skills, develop their communication abilities, broaden their perspective and knowledge of both the world and China, while also engaging in public service. State-of-the-art technology, such as Mixed Reality Team Building Game and Digital Chamber, will also be applied in training programmes.



“Hong Kong 200” Leadership Project

Since 2006, the “Hong Kong 200” Leadership Project has been annually bringing together 200 outstanding secondary school students with high leadership potential and a strong commitment to serve. The focus this year was on inspiring participants to innovate, be connected and be global. The Hong Kong 200 Association continued to engage alumni from all professions, to share their valuable experience from career development to further studies, as they tried to make a positive social impact.





Summer School for Global Leadership

The theme for this year's Summer School for Global Leadership was "Re-imagine Your City". About 80 outstanding high school students from 18 countries and regions joined in the 10 day programme. Through corporate visits, capstone projects and sharing by guest speakers, including Ir. Wai Chi-sing, GBS, JP, FHKEng, Managing Director of the Urban Renewal Authority, Mr. Eric Yeung, President of Smart City Symposium and Dr. Anne Kerr, Global Head of Urbanisation, Mott MacDonald Hong Kong Ltd, the participants were inspired to think of how to build a smart city.

Leaders to Leaders

"Leaders to Leaders" is a flagship programme under the HKFYG Jockey Club School for Global Leadership. Five young distinguished global leaders from five different continents were invited to Hong Kong to conduct over 20 sharing and interactive sessions over five days with local youth and organisations. One sharing included, First "Dialogue with Leaders" at the Ferris Wheel; the purpose of which was to engage the public in leadership issues as well, to which there was an attendance of 4,000, both online and offline, participated.



Volunteer Services

The Youth Volunteer Network (VNET) was established in 1998, with the aim of promoting youth volunteerism in Hong Kong. With continued support from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, VNET made every endeavour to cultivate a new generation to experience the reciprocal relationship of giving and receiving.

Over the past year, VNET received 16,289 new volunteer registrations, resulting in a total of 215,659 volunteers. This year, 32,364 active VNET registered volunteers contributed 962,000 service hours, and 1,547 volunteer training programmes were offered with 58,898 participants.



"I am a Volunteer" Campaign

VNET launched three events under the 'I am a Volunteer' Campaign. The first event was held in April to echo Global Youth Service Day (GYSD). Youth volunteers were taught cooking skills, which they in turn shared with over 80 peers. They then served 869 needy people with home-made steamed rice cup cake desserts. The second event took place over the summer. Called 'It's Time to Shine', over 700 volunteers completed at least one hour of service. In support of International Volunteer Day, the third event was initiated in December 2017, where over 1,600 volunteers visited 2,074 needy households and single elderly people.

A "Volunteers' Stories" programme series was produced where eight volunteers' stories were shared on the website and social media platforms.

Heart to Heart Project

For 13 years, the Federation has been carrying out the "Heart to Heart Project". Including new joiners, there are now 95 companies in the Project, with 16 new schools, resulting in a total of 198 Heart to Heart schools. Among the participating schools, 100 organised a total of 130 service projects and certificates were issued to over 12,000 students.

NEIGHBOURHOOD Teams

To promote a caring community, the Federation continues to launch the "NEIGHBOURHOOD First" Campaign, which engaged over 1,300 youth volunteers to join the NEIGHBOURHOOD Teams in all 18 districts.



Easyvolunteer.hk

Together with 322 service opportunities providers from non-profit organisations, charities and schools, a total of 683 service opportunities were offered via 'easyvolunteer.hk'. The number of newly registered users reached 9,522.



Volunteer Training and Exchange Opportunities

Three youth exchange tours for 70 volunteers were arranged to show appreciation for their efforts. These trips were to Zhongshan Sanxiang Town in China. Four weekends in Hong Kong were also organised, where 400 volunteers participated and shared their exercises with each other.

Youth-led Service Projects

Together with Youth Service America and Hong Kong Disneyland, VNET launched the "Disney Friends for Change Youth Grant" under the NEIGHBOURHOOD First Scheme. Through this, Hong Kong youth, aged 12 to 25 were given grants to plan and execute a service project to promote a caring and harmonious neighbourhood. In 2017, 34 projects were selected and among them nine teams were given double the fund to carry out larger projects. With the support of The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, VNET also established the Youth Service Fund, whereby 21 teams were selected to implement new service ideas in their communities. A total of 55 teams benefited and 1,219 volunteers were recruited, contributing 10,196 service hours, helping nearly 9,800 people.



Awards

Volunteer Recognition

Three volunteers, Ms. Li Yuen-yung, Ms. Wong Lok-yiu and Ms. Im Man-yi were given the "Hong Kong Outstanding Youth Volunteers Award 2017-18", for their dedication and outstanding performance in serving the community.

Public Recognition

With the contribution of over 180,000 volunteers in 2016, the Federation was ranked fifth in the territory-wide "Top 10 Highest Service Hours Award (Public Organisations)". This was presented by the Steering Committee on the Promotion of Volunteer Service of the Social Welfare Department.

Youth at Risk Services

The HKFYG Youth Crime Prevention Centre (YCPC) provided five categories of service, including prevention education, crisis intervention and professional assessments, counselling and treatment, multi-disciplinary collaboration, and advocacy. The focus areas remain youth crime and deviance, sex-related issues and drug abuse. There were 4,876 cases dealt with, and 794 programmes organised over the past year with a total attendance of 183,785.



Prevention Education

There were **353,544** visits to the YCPC and Youthlaw's website, YouTube, apps and Facebook, with 3,518 downloads of the Youthlaw App, three times more than last year. Revamping the website and Facebook page to make them more stylish and user friendly could have contributed to the rise in numbers.

Topics covered in the **359 Education Workshops and Programmes** for youth, parents, teachers, social workers and police included law abiding values, awareness on self-protection and the consequences of risky sexual behaviour, as well as hidden drug abuse. Up-to-date trends on youth crime and deviant behaviour, as well as parent-adolescent communication, professional education and counselling skills, were also covered.

There were **56 Preventive Educational Videos** shown through Youthlaw and YouTube platforms, covering such educational topics as the risk of illegal jobs, cannabis, compensation sex, cybercrime, theft, gambling, drinking, drug taking and drug trafficking; as well as parent-adolescent communication skills and new counselling services.

Youth! Don't gamble! Phase V, supported by Ping Wo Fund, is an awareness-raising community education programme that works online and offline to help thousands of youth reduce the risk of gambling addiction. The programme focused on anti-gambling workshops, gambling risk assessments, anti-gambling tips and information, given through apps, educational videos and game, and 3D educational hologram films. An anti-gambling digital exhibition was held in October 2017.

Crisis Intervention and Professional Assessments

In cooperation with the police, **Project R** and **Project Right Path** work to assist arrested youth and victims, aged 10–24 in order to break the vicious cycle of youth criminality. Professor Dennis Wong of City University of Hong Kong helped to evaluate the effectiveness of one of the projects, Project R, and also conducted a criminal risk assessment. This project was one of the Top Tens in the 2017 Best Practice Awards in Social Welfare presented by The Hong Kong Council of Social Service.

Hotline service, with crisis intervention, dealing with crime, sex or drug related issues, was available at **Hotline 81009669**.

Counselling and Treatment

Professional counsellors handled 4,876 cases that dealt with young people displaying criminal and deviant behaviour, including triad and gang membership, violence, illegal jobs, fraud, cybercrime, theft, sexual crime and drug trafficking. They also helped 546 young people with sex-related issues, along with 452 cases with drug related problems. Counselling for parents of juveniles and victims of crime was also provided.

With funding support from The Keswick Foundation, **Project iSmarter** provided education for the public and at risk youth to enhance their awareness and build strategies to face different cybercrime issues. 260 iSmarter youth volunteers assist to spread the preventive message to their peer networks. Counselling and risk assessment are provided to juvenile delinquents and victims.

E.Positive – a new education and counselling service funded by the D. H. Chen Foundation was launched in November 2017. The project provides identification, assessment, e-mental health education, cognitive therapy and mindfulness treatment for youth to deal with mental health related criminal or deviant issues.

Project LOVE SIM supported by the Tin Ka Ping Foundation, provides preventive education and counselling on risky sex, especially related to sex trade. This programme features narrative therapy treatment, expressive art activities, interactive educational movies and card games. A localised assessment tool will be developed.

Supported by the Beat Drugs Fund, the YCPC launched three new projects in the past year. **Project EVER** – a counselling and treatment programme using “virtual reality” and activity-based exercises as intervention methods for at risk youth with drug or mental health problems. **Project SEToff** is an anti-drug education and treatment programme for working youth and hidden drug abusers through online media platforms and work places. New KOL anti-drug videos were also created. **Project Begin from Family** uses the Strengthening Families Programme (SFP), which is an evidence-based and successfully proven approach used in America, to enhance family functioning and prevent the youth to take drug.

Project RADAR – A counselling and treatment programme for young people with hidden drug abuse problems and drugs related criminal offences. A new risk assessment tool related to drug trafficking and drug taking was developed.



Several training programmes were carried out this year which included professional makeup and beauty training, **Project LOVE all about you**, funded by Clarins; running training with meaning of life education, **Positive Life Positive Run**, in cooperation with Breakthrough; counselling groups and career exploration programmes for at risk youth in schools, **E.positive – gangs and at risk youth counselling programme**, funded by different schools; anti-illegal job education, **Project Honesty**, funded by the Tin Ka Ping Foundation; and Thai boxing training, with emotional management, **The Wind**, funded by K&K Charity Foundation.

Advocacy and Service Development

In January, a **Seminar on Cannabis: tackling abuse and myths** was held.

An evaluation Study **Project R: Risk Factors for At-risk Youth** was conducted in collaboration with City University of Hong Kong. The book, **Project R – Assisting arrested youth**, was published which included new strategies on helping arrested youth, as well as victims and their families.

Three counselling and intervention protocols were developed, including **Strategies of handling arrested youth and their victims; Multi-level intervention models for drug abusers and at risk youth; and Strengthening family approaches: An anti-drug manual.**

The fourth **Turning Point – Youth Improvement Award** was held on 3 June 2017. The book, **Turning Point II**, was published, which included the stories of eight young people who turned their lives around.

Two articles related to drug abuse intervention were published at the 2017 National Drug Abuse Prevention Symposium.

WL Residence (WLR)

The WLR provided short term residential services, with life planning guidance and career skills training, for young adults aged between 18 and 24. New services for female residents were started this year and altogether, 63 youth were served.

The Way Forward

The main focus of the YCPC in the coming year will be to develop and provide education and counselling services on such issues including cybercrime, hidden drug abuse, working youth with drug abuse problems, mental health issues and sexual deviance that encompasses compensated dating and sex trade among other behaviour. Risk assessments on risky sexual behaviour, cybercrime, and drug related crimes will be conducted and new card games and VR education tools will be developed. Several preventive education and counselling manuals and booklets for dealing with arrested youth, drug abusers, and related family members will also be published.

Counselling Services

The Wellness Mind Centre was set up to consolidate the work of the School Social Work Unit, the Student Guidance Team, the Media Counselling Centre and the Youth Wellness Centre. Under one umbrella, the Centre is now able to provide services addressing different emotional health issues cross the units and via different platforms.



School Stationing Service

Over the last year, 24 primary schools and three kindergartens were served through the Student Guidance Team. A total of 1,370 developmental and prevention activities were organised for students, parents and teachers, with a total of 513 cases and 24,254 consultations – mostly related to emotions, family, behaviour and study issues – were handled.

School Stationing Services were provided for 35 secondary schools, of which 21 were served by 12 Youth S.P.O.Ts and the other 14 by the School Social Work Unit. A total of 3,253 cases were handled, while 16,076 consultations and 3,687 programmes and group sessions took place.

Youth Emotional Health

Emotional Wellness Project for Young People

Project STEP was initiated with support from HSBC's 150th Anniversary Charity funds. The Project included: a **Run for Wellness** was held on 29 April at the Science Park with 3,800 participants; as well as a mobile truck called, **HKFYG Moving Wellness**; and a **Psychiatric Service Scheme** has launched in October 2017. Subsidies were made available for eligible youth to receive necessary psychiatric consultations and/or treatments.

Wellness for Youth (Joyful@School Campaign)

In order to enhance students' awareness on mental health issues, a one-year **Wellness for Youth** school-based programme was conducted to 24 secondary schools under the **Joyful@School Campaign**. A series of talks, group sessions and workshops for students, teachers and parents were organised, totalling 815 sessions in all.

Services for Students with Special Educational Needs (SEN)

Project COACH, coordinated by the Student Guidance Team, provides SEN school attachment services which include tailor-made groups and individual training for SEN students, particularly those with dyslexia, autism and hyperactive disorders. The purpose is to enhance learning motivation, acquire effective learning skills and improve emotional and behavioural problems. Stress is also placed on the connection of school and family in order to provide a better learning environment to students. In total, 23 primary schools were served and 1,848 training sessions were offered.



Services on Love Education

The **Love and Sex Value Education Scheme** was sponsored by the Quality Education Fund to help students learn values of love and sex through experiential games, workshops and classroom learning. At the 99 sessions organised, 2,446 students, 312 teachers and 71 parents from 22 primary and secondary schools participated.



Services on Resilience Building

The following were offered:

- **The Understanding Adolescent Project (Primary)** which provided a wide range of programmes for Primary 4 to 6 students in 48 primary schools.
- **School-based After-School Learning and Support Programme** that enabled extra opportunities to underprivileged students through 234 programme sessions in 9 schools.
- **Healthy School Programme** which held 238 sessions in four secondary schools was supported by the Beat Drugs Fund.

Services on Further Schooling

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School leavers, and DSE candidates were provided with one-stop services, including JUPAS talks and workshops, hotline and online counselling services, as well as practical information to ease examination stress and plan ahead. A total of 11 sessions were held and 13,476 students and parents participated. Intensive support services through the hotline and online platforms were also provided, especially when exam results were due.

Life Planning Services for School Students

PLUS – Experiential Learning Series is a learning package for school students that focuses on life planning and value education. Over the past year, a total of 624 life planning sessions were organised in 45 secondary schools.

Media Counselling

Hotline Services

Youthline 27778899 offers a convenient and easily accessible channel to seek help. A total of 310,917 incoming calls were registered and 55,770 cases were handled this year. Emotional problems, schooling and mental health issues were the top three concerns of young people.

Online Counselling

With sponsorship from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, **“uTouch” Cyber Youth Outreach Service** adopts a proactive approach to identify and engage youth at risk from the ages of six to 24, through online and social media platforms. Tailor-made services, including online counselling, offline interviews and community activities were provided. Over this year, 4,817 youth at risk were engaged and encouraged to participate and an attendance of 8,204 was recorded in both online and offline activities.

Media Education

After the completion of the “Be NetWise” Educational Project for Media Literacy in 2017, the similar **“Project NET” – Project of Media Literacy Enhancement** was sponsored by the Quality Education Fund again in 2018. This was to develop an advanced curriculum for both secondary and primary schools students. As a result, a media literacy portal (medialiteracy.hk) and a resource kit were launched and delivered to all schools. As of March 2018, 17 secondary and 24 primary schools have enrolled in the project, taking part in classes and workshops for students and teachers.

Counselling Services for Game Addiction

The Wellness Mind Centre uses a narrative approach to support students who might be bordering internet addiction. In collaboration with Hong Kong Baptist University, a study was conducted to uncover needs and potential of participating students, with support from their parents and teachers. A performance and sharing session was then organised.

Education Services

The Federation is committed to providing quality education, especially for the underprivileged, through two non-profit making kindergartens cum nurseries, one non-profit making kindergarten which serves 319 children; one aided primary school with an enrolment of 826 pupils; and one direct subsidy scheme secondary school that has 689 students. Young people can also enhance their knowledge through The Continuous Learning Centre.



Kindergarten Education

Art Appreciation

The picture book approach continues to be the main teaching method, focusing on language, plot and story. Emphasis was also placed on deeper discussion on aesthetic elements, such as what methods were used in drawing the pictures and what kinds of feeling were conveyed through the illustrations. Students were encouraged to draw using newly learned methods. Famous paintings were shown to students and they were taught to appreciate them from different angles. Students were also given chances to express their feelings while listening to famous music pieces.



Rights and Obligations

Through the picture books, students are also taught about learning their rights while developing their responsibility by understanding their obligations. Discussions were held with the children, and parents were encouraged listening to their children's thought and views. The final culmination was when this theme was presented at the graduation ceremony of the kindergartens.

STEM Education

Next year, more resources will be put in designing and adopting STEM elements into the kindergarten curriculum. Based on award winning Korean STEM teaching materials, ORDA and GABE, teachers will adapt these materials to fit the local context.



Primary Education

Innovative Curriculum

The HKFYG Lee Shau Kee Primary School continues its innovative curriculum that promotes attitudes in pursuing knowledge and independent learning. In class, fun activities are used and after class, non curriculum reading is encouraged for at least an hour a day.

Life Education

The School incorporated Life Education elements in the curriculum to help students achieve a balance in physical, psychological, intellectual, social and moral development, with morning and weekly assemblies and special themed class and school activities. The school joined in inter-school competitions as well.



LEAD Lab and School-based STEAM Curriculum

A school-based STEAM curriculum (which added Art to the regular STEM subjects) was designed for students from Primary 4 to 6, called CAME, coding and micro-computer processing. CAME was designed by Professor Gao Yunfeng of Tsinghua University and gave students the opportunity to design products using mathematics and science knowledge and create products using laser cutting machines.



Interdisciplinary Activities

To consolidate knowledge and skills learned, interdisciplinary activities, included local field trips for lower primary students and overseas exchange trips to Korea, Australia and Thailand; as well as Macau, Nanjing, Sichuan and Beijing for upper primary students, were organised.



Secondary Education

Learning and Teaching

The HKFYG Lee Shau Kee College (HLC) continued to develop its curriculum, enhancing the DSE curriculum with the choice of more elective courses. With recommendations from the Education Bureau, the PSHE curriculum was also improved.

Teachers learned to evaluate students using a broader matrix, including data collected from assessments, questionnaires and feedback. Steady progress was observed in students' learning and their accomplishments, as they continued to excel in English debates, speech and drama. Their International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) results were outstanding, and more emphasis was placed on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and language subjects. Students continued to shine in inter-school Mathematics and Science competitions.

Student Development

To promote students' mental well-being, the "Wisdom in Action Programme" incorporated into the curriculum positive psychology with the core value of "perseverance". The School arranged talks and workshops around this theme. The School was also chosen to participate in the "Thematic Network on Developing Students' Positive Attitudes and Values" launched by Centre of Suicide Prevention and Research (HKU), and the Joyful@School Campaign. Extracurricular activities continue to be encouraged to balance well-being, and the students did well in drama and musical programmes as well as inter-school sporting activities and music competitions.



Continuous Education

This year marks the tenth anniversary of The Continuous Learning Centre (CLC). There was a concerted effort to focus on science and technology, which included learning in such areas as Artificial Intelligence Training, Virtual Reality Application and Big Data Analytics Application, all of which proved immensely popular among the young people. Other programmes that were well received included counselling and career-related training series. The number of students increased by more than 24% compared with the previous year, boding well for the future.



Training programmes provided by CLC continued to be sought after by various organisations, government departments and local schools. Industry-wide seminars and public talks saw participation exceed over 10,000.



To combine the experience and wisdom of ten years of CLC work, the Federation initiated the HKFYG Life Learning Academy (LLA) last year. The purpose was to coordinate course promotional activities, the operation of Youth S.P.O.Ts and different professional units. Activities include those on online and via radio programme, all with the aim to promote the enjoyment of learning for fun and for life.

The CLC operated overseas study tours and participated in exhibitions and large-scale events, such as the Education and Careers Expo and the Hong Kong Book Fair. It also published "Know-how for Health Care Assistant" in the education book series. CLC also cooperated with the Xu Beihong Arts Committee to organise the large scale, Xu Beihong Cup International Youth Children's Art Competition.



Parenting Services

The new Parent Support Network (PSN) and the Family Life Education Units (FLE) provide both internet and community-based services, including Mediation, Talks, Workshops, Self-learning and Family Activities for parents and children, as well as continuous learning and mutual support for parents.



Kick off Ceremony of Parent Support Network

Dr. Law Chi-kwong, GBS, JP, Secretary for Labour and Welfare, along with principals of schools and presidents of Parent Teacher Associations were invited to the kick off on 28 January 2018. Mr. Chan Siu-cheuk, Principal of Christian Zheng Sheng College and Ms. Ada To Man-wai, radio host of RTHK parental education programme, shared parenting experiences with over 120 Mediation Ambassadors at the Ceremony. "The Puzzle of Parents and the Need of Parental Education", a survey carried out from October to December 2017, was released at the Ceremony. The survey had interviewed 672 parents with more than 95% of them agreeing that learning would enhance their parental skills.

Informative and Interactive Website of Parent Support Network

Professionals from various fields were invited to share their expertise and experiences and issues on parenting through the website. Useful information and videos were uploaded daily and parents were also encouraged to participate in online groups or via messages. By the end of March 2018, 12,000 people had visited the site.

Parent-child Mediation Service

Both online and district-based mediation services were provided to 77 families with a total of 459 service attendance recorded.

Parent-Child Ambassadors Scheme

More than 100 parents pledged to be Parent-Child Ambassadors. After receiving at least eight hour training in parent-child mediation and communication skills, they were able to assist others.

To encourage and recognise Ambassadors who served more than 25 hours a year, an Award Presentation Ceremony was held in January 2018 where 90 Parent-Child Ambassadors were celebrated.

Parental and Family Education Programmes

The unit organised 447 Parental and Family Education Programmes with a total of 19,797 people attending. Parents and adolescents joined to improve their communication skills and enhance their family relationships.

Self-Learning Groups

More than 40 different Parent Self-Learning Groups were formed to encourage mutual support. Some groups shared similar challenges, such as raising children with Special Education Needs (SEN); while others shared similar interests, such as cooking or exercise. Groups met regularly and were able to receive professional guidance and resources.

Collaborative Programmes

Parental Educational Talks Series

For the 14th consecutive year, the Federation co-organised the Territory-wide Parental Educational Talks with the Vocational Training Council. This year, there were three talks: "Strategies to cope with the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examinations", "Tips for Being a Happy Parent" and "Learning about Future Careers" were held, which attracted over 1,300 participants.

Leap for Joy Women Project

Sponsored by Jardine Lloyd Thompson Limited, and with the cooperation of The Hong Kong Council of Social Service, "Leap for Joy" was held to empower the working mothers by recognising their strength and encouraging public support for them. Award Presentation Ceremony was held on 25 March 2018 to recognise these women's contribution in Hong Kong.

Creativity Education and Youth Exchange



STEM Education

The promotion of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Technology) has become an integral part of modern education. The HKFYG Centre for Creative Science and Technology (CCST) was established to provide hands-on exploratory science education for students and teachers. With the support of the Innovation and Technology Commission and Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation, 388 programmes were organised for over 73,000 participants.

In order to nurture science talent and promote a culture of innovation and technology, programmes have been tailored made for students of different levels. These include the Seed Project targeting gifted primary school students; the 1+1 Tip-top Talent Training Scheme and the Innovation and Technology Scholarship Award Scheme for elite university students.

STEM Competitions

The Federation organises the Hong Kong Student Science Project Competition (HKSSPC), the Hong Kong FLL Robotics Tournament (FLL) and the Hong Kong GreenMech Contest (GreenMech).

At the 2018 HKSSPC, over one thousand students from 89 schools from Brazil, Indonesia, Macau, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Turkmenistan, the United States and Hong Kong took part. They formed 318 teams to compete for the various science-related awards.

This year, around 600 participants from 52 primary and secondary schools designed and built robots to compete in 18 task missions of the FLL.

More than 300 students and teachers from 58 schools participated in this year's GreenMech Contest. The teams applied green energy concepts, as well as knowledge in physics, chemistry and mechanics, to create models showcasing the power of a chain reaction.

Winning teams were given opportunities for further training and were sent to participate in international competitions to learn and share with their overseas peers. One of the FLL teams won the Research Award at the FLL Open Invitational Central Europe (OICE). Nine GreenMech winning teams took part in the 2017 World GreenMech Contest in China with four teams placing in the top three of their respective divisions.





Exposure Programmes

Enabled by the support from the Hong Kong-Taiwan Economic and Cultural Cooperation and Promotion Council, 33 students from nine secondary schools and eight post-secondary colleges were sent to Taiwan. There they learnt and compared the development of creative industry in both places. Sponsored by the Commission on Youth, the Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education and the Home Affairs Bureau, nearly 200 young people visited Fujian, Xian, Sichuan, Russia, Kazakhstan and Czech Republic to explore the Belt and Road opportunities in these places.

Other Learning Experiences (OLE tours)

323 students from three secondary schools visited Dongguan, Qingyuan and Shaoguan to provide social services to underprivileged groups.

Wudang Trip

With support from the Commission on Youth – Community Participation Scheme for Organising Exchange Tours to the Mainland whereby 39 youth went to Wudang during the Easter holidays to learn martial arts and about Taoism.

Hong Kong Young Ambassador Scheme (HKYAS)

The HKYAS, jointly organised by the Tourism Commission and the Federation, with the Hong Kong Association for Customer Service Excellence as co-organiser, trains young ambassadors to promote Hong Kong as a hospitable city locally and overseas. This is the 17th year of the Scheme and 260 new Ambassadors were appointed after undergoing extensive exposure and skills training. Their duties over the year included: stationing service at 13 local tourist attractions; participation in 16 tourism promotional events; and the organising of over 20 projects to promote Hong Kong to visitors. They also promoted a service excellence culture in schools and the community.

One Belt One Road One Friendship – The Backpackers

Supported by The Dragon Foundation, nearly 100 young people travelled to over 25 cities and countries along the Belt and Road. They connected with local communities through innovative and meaningful projects, in conjunction with local organisations.

Leisure, Cultural and Sports Services

The Hong Kong Melody Makers, the Hong Kong Youth Dance, the Hong Kong Youth Band and the Hong Kong Youth Percussion continue to be the main Federation platforms where young people can demonstrate their artistic talents. This past year, they were involved in many events, including those below:



a cappella Services

The Cultural Services Unit held 544 training sessions in schools, Youth S.P.O.Ts and NGOs, but also by the record breaking 81 entries at the Hong Kong International *a cappella* Contest. The 2018 Hong Kong International *a cappella* Festival, held in the Spring, was again a major event on Hong Kong's art calendar. This year, dozens of school and community performed. In partnership with the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, a mobile stage was organised through the "WKCD at Your Hand's Reach" project, whereby talented young singers went around the city taking world-class *a cappella* performances to local neighbourhoods as well as to promote the West Kowloon Cultural District. The Festival was on for three weeks and saw 58 events around the city with an attendance of more than 30,000 people who enjoyed the performances of 19 *a cappella* groups.



Creative Market x Green Picnic

Central Venue Management Limited sponsored and supported the mega carnival "Creative Market x Green Picnic". Organised by the Federation, the carnival featured performances, workshops, shows and exhibitions, along with food stalls and a concert.

Dance A Life

With organisation from the Federation and sponsorship from the HSBC Community Partnership Programme, 50 therapeutic dance tours and workshops were brought together for "Dance A Life" programme. Focusing on teen health and wellness, and conducted in schools, this programme ran from November 2017 to May 2018, with 4,300 students benefiting.



Dancing in the Palace

Invited by Le French May, Hong Kong Youth Dance initiated "Dancing in the Palace". This was part of Le French May's exhibition "Inventing le Louvre: From Palace to Museum over 800 years" and was performed at the Hong Kong Heritage Museum from April to June 2017. This unique project combined and customised dance movements and performances with art that was on exhibition and was a great boost for the dancers.

My Stage – Youth Creative Arts Festival 2017

Through the Large Scale Youth Programme Funding Scheme 2017 of the Home Affairs Bureau and Commission on Youth, the “My Stage – Youth Creative Arts Festival” was held from August 2017 to September 2018. With the Federation’s support, young people were able to show off their artistic talents through dance, percussion and band competitions. The Festival also hosted a creative Art Fair and outdoor music show, while also enabling dance performances to be held in tertiary institutions.

The Tsuen Wan Indoor Sports Centre

The Tsuen Wan indoor Sports Centre is a self-financing unit and promotes sports with its quality facilities and wide range of recreational and training activities. Last year, more than 600 programmes were organised, with an attendance of over 17,000.



More than 40 popular sports classes were held regularly, including the very popular adventure rope courses and the five-metre rock climbing wall. The all-weather adventure training ground is used for team building and personal development activities.

Jockey Club Sai Kung Outdoor Training Camp

This year, the camp had over 166,000 visitors. The newest offering was the outdoor climbing wall sponsored by the Sir David Trench Fund for Recreation. Beyond this, there was a choice of 35 other out/indoor activities, which included team building training and orienteering, physical and outdoor/water challenges, healthy cooking and greening.

Given the camp’s favourable location, the Federation partnered this year with professional organisations to take advantage

of viewing astronomical phenomena and offer astronomy programmes. Starting this year, over 1,500 students enjoyed developing their understanding of astronomy.

In order to promote a healthy life style for campers, more varieties of vegetarian foods were put on the menus of the restaurant and café, with vegetarian options also available for the BBQ.

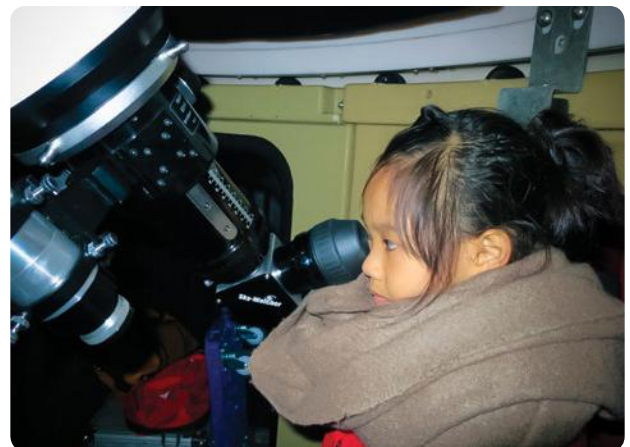
“Be environmental friendly” is the camp’s motto and so, in order to reduce energy consumption in daily operations, the Environment and Conservation Fund approved to fund the camp to install heat shield coating on the sports hall rooftop and solar film onto windows of the sports hall and camp houses facing west and south-west.

Lamma Youth Camp

The Lamma Youth Camp utilisation has steadily increased, up to 15 per cent. There were 4,886 overnight and 1,938 day campers respectively this year.

Taking advantage of its natural surroundings, camp activities include a series of wilderness adventure packages and outdoor challenges. In collaboration with local green groups, eco-tours were newly introduced which have proven to be popular.

The Sir David Trench Fund for Recreation (Main Fund) Capital Works Project has enabled the construction of a multi-purpose platform and improvement works on existing facilities. Once the construction works are completed, new initiatives promoting Chinese heritage will be introduced, including, archery, martial arts and Touhu.





Tai Mei Tuk Outdoor Activities Centre

Located near the main dam of Plover Cove where the surrounding sea is relatively calm and geographically protected by surrounding mountains, the Tai Mei Tuk Outdoor Activities Centre is an ideal venue for holding water sports training and activities. The annual attendance increased to 8,375, remarkable utilisation for a one man managed centre with a 45-person capacity.

After the extension of the concrete platform, more water sports training including windsurfing, canoeing and stand-up paddle boarding were organised. A total of 13 competitions, races and events were held with over 1,500 people joining in.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department provided the financial resources to carry out minor renovation and repair work in order to improve the facilities.

Stanley Outdoor Activities Centre

With help from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, the Centre is undergoing redevelopment into a holiday camp. After securing vehicular access to the site during the construction period, demolition work began. The redeveloped camp is expected to resume service to the public by 2020, focusing particularly on aquatic activities and programmes to promote green living and environmental conservation.

Camp Centralised Programme

The Tai Po District Council helped fund the "Water Conservation Adventurous Challenge cum Carnival" which was held on 21 October 2017 in Tai Mei Tuk. A total of 236 people forming 59 teams joined the race, with more than 900 people participating in the Carnival, which aimed to highlight the importance of water conservation and healthy living.

Research and Publications

For the past 25 years, the HKFYG Youth Research Centre (YRC) has prioritised evidence-based research to ensure up-to-date analyses on the challenges, concerns and needs of young people, as well as their development, thinking, perceptions and insights.



Youth I.D.E.A.S.

The Federation's think tank, **Youth I.D.E.A.S.** (Ideals, Dedication, Engagement, Aspirations and Service) established in April 2015, provides a platform for young people to engage in the exchange of ideas on topical issues through discussions. They then suggest policy alternatives to enable sustainable development of Hong Kong.

Members, serving for the new term of 2017–19, are made up of 75 young professionals, entrepreneurs and post-secondary students, along with eight academics and professionals who serve as advisers. Research for the think tank is carried out in the areas of (1) Employment and Economic Development; (2) Governance and Constitutional Development; (3) Education and Innovation; and (4) Society and Livelihood.

Last year's reports are as follows:

Publication Date	Serial Number	Topic
December 2017	YI025	<i>Building Public Trust in the Government</i>
January 2018	YI026	<i>STEM Education in Secondary Schools: Improving Resource Utilisation</i>
January 2018	YI027	<i>e-Sports in Hong Kong</i>
February 2018	YI028	<i>Promoting Organ Donation in Hong Kong</i>
April 2018	YI029	<i>Enhancing e-Government in the HKSAR</i>
June 2018	YI030	<i>Improving Liberal Studies in Senior Secondary Education</i>
June 2018	YI031	<i>Encouraging Young-Olds Employment</i>
July 2018	YI032	<i>Boosting Birth Rate in Hong Kong</i>



Journal of Youth Studies

The Journal of Youth Studies provides a forum for professional discussion on youth topics, in order to advocate for better legislation and policy enactment for youth services. The Journal is circulated to government departments, policy-makers, educational institutes, social service organisations, youth academics and experts, as well as university libraries in Hong Kong, Mainland China, Taiwan, Macao, Singapore and other countries. The Journal is also indexed in international databases, including the PsycINFO and EBSCOhost. One issue was published this year:

Publication Date	Serial Number	Features
July 2017	40	<i>Youth Development in the Past Two Decades</i>



Professional Publications

In 2017, the Federation published ten books to promote reading and to share knowledge with people who are interested in youth work. This year's publications:

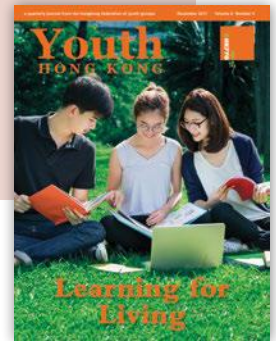
1. *Life's Ups and Downs*
2. *Happy Kingdom*
3. *Project R – Assisting Arrested Youth*
4. *Turning Point II*
5. *Belt and Road Keywords*
6. *Backpackers on the Belt and Road*
7. *Know-how for Health Care Assistant*
8. *The Hiking Hong Kong Ridge*
9. *Learning about Love*
10. *One Word, One Character, One Story*

The Federation also participated in the Hong Kong Book Fair 2017 and introduced its books and publications to the wider public.



Youth Hong Kong

Youth Hong Kong is the Federation's English language quarterly magazine. Each issue explores different youth related topics, together with analytical articles, interviews, statistics and discussions. Young people are encouraged to contribute as well. With a circulation of around 11,000 copies, the magazine is distributed to partner organisations, educators, social workers and professionals, both locally and overseas. The online version is accessible at: youthhongkong.hkfyg.org.hk.



Youth S.P.O.T. Magazine

The Chinese language magazine **Youth S.P.O.T.** is published bi-monthly with a circulation of 35,000 copies. With topics of special interest to young people, they cover life-style and thought. Young contributors use the magazine as a platform to share their own stories. The online version is accessible at: youthspot.hkfyg.org.hk.

