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# Chi Heng Foundation Joint Efforts to Help Children with HIV



2005 September Mr. Clinton visited HIV children in Henan

## Clinton Foundation funded Paediatric HIV/AIDS treatment program in Henan

Subsequent to the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding by Mr Bill Clinton, former US President and the Chinese Government on April 29 2004, the HIV/AIDS treatment program was launched in Henan villages in summer 2005. In July, CHF provided assistance to the Mainland Ministry of Health and the medical personnel of Clinton Foundation to arrange for the first batch of AIDS affected children in Henan to receive the Antiretroviral (ARV) Treatment. CHF also helped to recruit some girls from the village for training them the proper handling of HIV drug and employed them to conduct regular visits to children on medication, monitor the side-effects and report to the relevant organizations for follow up actions.

Mr. Chung To, founder of Chi Heng Foundation in 1998, is dedicated to helping AIDS victims and their children in China, with primary focus on education. Units involved have extended from an individual basis to country-wide and eventually, international level. The scope of service has also grown from sponsoring tuition and living expenses to meeting medical needs and providing psychological care. To get more people and organizations involved in this campaign is one of the cherished desires of Mr. Chung To.

In September 2005, Mr. Bill Clinton made a private tour to a village in Henan and met eight HIV children who were under the treatment program. A Grade Three student made a thank you speech to Mr. Clinton (see enclosed). Before Mr. Bill Clinton's visit, Vice-Premier Wu Yi and Premier Wen Jiabao visited the AIDS affected villages in Henan in end 2003 and February 2005 respectively.

Last year, the XinHua Net announced that there were 76,000 AIDS children (under 15 years old) in China who lost at least one parent, and the number might increase to 260,000 by 2010.

(Source: [http://news.xinhuanet.com/legal/2005-08/01/content\\_3295328.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/legal/2005-08/01/content_3295328.htm))

A Thank-you Speech from a Grade Three Student to the Clinton Foundation  
[translated from original speech in Chinese]

Dear Uncles and Aunts of the Clinton Foundation,  
How are you, how are you getting on? Thank you for your care and support. Before taking the antiretroviral (ARV) drugs, I suffered from skin problem all along, it is so itchy that I can hardly study and sleep. Now after taking the medicine, I feel much better. I can concentrate for my study and can sleep well. I specially thank you for the love and warmth that you have given us. For your support of our daily needs, my thanks to you from the depth of my heart never ends. You have given us almost everything that we lack of, such as watches, crayons and blankets, etc.

I am also thankful to Dr Zhang who takes care of us. For us, she is really exhausted. Sundays are supposed to be her rest days, but she has not taken any rest and spends all her time on us. I also have to thank the aunt who brings us medicine. She brings us the antiretroviral (ARV) drugs day and night. I also thank the uncles and aunts and the specialists who work on the antiretroviral (ARV) drugs. I still have many words to say, but do not know how to express myself. Yet, I still have to say, "Thank you, uncles and aunts of the Clinton Foundation".

If I have chance to go to the university in future, I will definitely not forget your care and your warm hearts. I hope that in the coming year, you will still treat AIDS children patients the way you treat us this year. I have to say: you care for me like my father and mother.

AIDS patient  
Zhang S.  
2 Sept 2005

## Chung To: Efforts Re-Affirmed in 2005

Mr. Chung To has constantly been on the road in the past six or seven years, shuttling between villages in Central China and Hong Kong, various Asian countries, North America, and Europe, for the benefit of Aids orphans in China. In 2005, his efforts are once again recognized by various institutions.

Date	Institution	Region	Recognitions / Awards Granted to Mr. Chung To
December 2004	Southern People Weekly	China	Elected as one of the "Ten Greatest anti-AIDS Heroes in Year 2004", together with Vice-Premier Wu Yi.
January 18, 2005	RTHK	Hong Kong	Interviewed in the "Global Aid for AIDS" program, visit URL <a href="http://www.rthk.org.hk/rthk/tv/aids/20050118.html">http://www.rthk.org.hk/rthk/tv/aids/20050118.html</a>
February 2 2005	Beijing Youth Daily	China	Elected as one of the "Ten Outstanding Young Persons in AIDS Prevention"
May 7 2005	Nations Association Minnesota Chapter	Minnesota, USA	Awarded the "Community Service Award", for his contributions in the field of AIDS
May 7 2005	China AIDS Orphans Fund	USA	Speaker of "The World AIDS Orphan Day Conference" in various universities in the USA, including Berkeley, Columbia, MIT, Asia Society Houston and Minneapolis
May 23 2005	Rotary Club District 3450	Hong Kong	One of ten recipients of the "Rotary Centennial Service Award for Professional Excellence"
May 28 2005	Southern People Weekly and CCTV Channel 10 People Program	China	Elected as one of the "Ten Outstanding Young Leaders of the Era". Direct dialogue with Beijing University students in an Open Forum.
June 12-20, 2005	Asia Society	China Shanghai	Drawings by AIDS orphans were exhibited in the "Photographic Exhibition of Combating AIDS with Art and Action", attended by Mr. Wang LongDe, Vice Minister of Health.
August 7 2005	CCTV News Channel	China	Interviewed in the "Face-To-Face" Program
September 2-25, 2005	Hope for the Future	Canada Ontario	Photos of orphans living in AIDS villages were exhibited for fund raising purpose in the Art Exhibition of Mr. William Ho, founder of Hope for the Future.
October 24, 2005	AiXin Foundation	Washington D.C., USA	One of four recipients of the "Outstanding Achievement" Award for his undertaking and achievements in fighting AIDS. Other awardees are Mr. Bill Clinton, Former US President, Mr. Pu Cunxin, and Dr. Shao Yiming.

2005 October, Mr. Chung To received the 'Outstanding Achievement' Award from AiXin Foundation, in Washington DC, USA



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# AIDS Orphans Project - The First Milestone At Last !

## About Us

Chi Heng Foundation is a charity registered and based in Hong Kong. Since 2002, more than 3,000 AIDS orphans receive sponsorship under our Aids Orphan Educational Programs. A mere HK\$250 is enough to pay for the whole year tuition fee of a primary student and with HK\$80,000, the whole village can get education sponsorship.

Education has always been the focus of CHF's AIDS Orphans project. In summer 2005, we are proud to have our first aided boy graduated from Shanghai Fudan University. He is currently employed in Guangdong provincial government. Some university students voluntarily return to their villages during the summer holiday to conduct home visits for CHF, a gesture of helping their own homeland.

CHF has also found jobs and apprenticeship opportunities for dozens of children in Guangdong province and provided them with interview skills and vocational trainings.



Mr. Chung To spoke in the July 2005 Conference, held in the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, organized by 'Working Committee For Caring Next Generation of Chinese' and the UNICEF. It aimed to appeal for public concern of children impacted by AIDS, and to accelerate policy discussion and related legal proceedings.

This is an extension of our past services from meeting the basic needs of living expenses and school fees to providing vocational training to those who do not do so well academically. We hope that they can learn some skills, earn their own living and integrate into the society.

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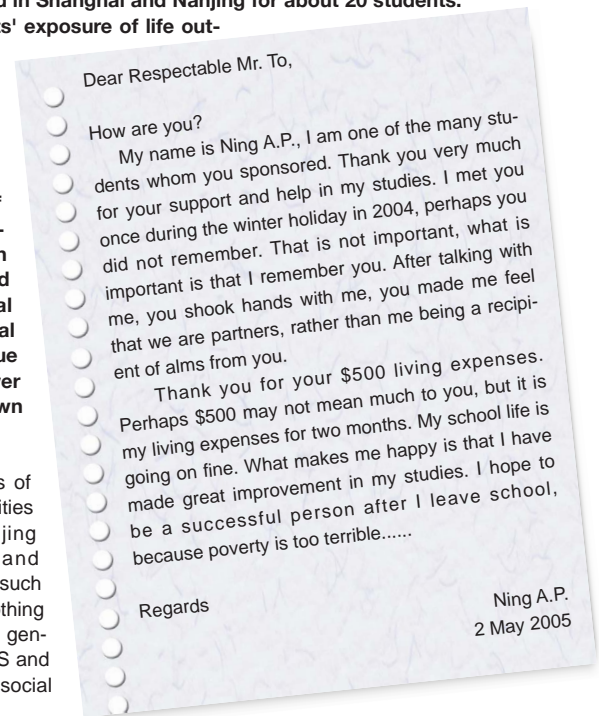


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## Accomplishments of CHF AIDS Orphan Project in 2005 :

- Over 3,000 AIDS orphans are currently under various educational sponsorship programs, among them, some 80 are university students and over 200 are in senior high. Extra scholarships are granted to the academically outstanding students.
- In July/August, a summer camp was held in Shanghai and Nanjing for about 20 students. This activity aimed to widen the students' exposure of life outside their own village, helped them build their self-esteem and foster healing.
- During Chinese New Year, over 70,000 eggs were distributed to rural families to show our care.
- To foster the psychological well-being of AIDS impacted children, CHF has distributed 1,500 memory books to them in 2004, so that they could explore, record and come to terms with their personal history in words and drawings. The goal was to help them cope with hardship due to loss of parents and friends. So far, over 1,000 children have completed their own memory book.

In December 2004, CHF held a series of AIDS Awareness Program in several universities in China, including Beijing University, Beijing Normal University, Fudan University, and Guangdong Zhongshan University. Activities, such as photo exhibitions, lectures, donation of clothing and stationery, were held to educate the new generation to have a better understanding of AIDS and accept AIDS impacted children, hoping that social discrimination may one day be wiped out.



## Frequently Asked Question : How can CHF ensure that the donations reach the AIDS orphans?

CHF has its own office in Hong Kong, Henan, Shanghai and Guangzhou. There are two salaried staff in Henan, under direct CHF management, to ensure that every dollar of the donation goes directly to schools to pay for the children's education and the living expenses of those in need. Scholarship will be granted to students who score well in school as incentives.

Students who have to leave their villages to receive senior high or university education will have their tuition fee reimbursed from Henan office upon presentation of official receipt and school report card to proof their school attendance.

## Summer Interns at CHF

We enjoyed so much to have two university students working with us this summer, Ms. Holly C. Naylor from Boston University, USA, and Ms. Wenxin Du from China who is studying in Swarthmore College, USA.

They offered us tremendous help in our Hong Kong office and the summer camp respectively. If you are interested in interning with CHF, please contact us for further details.