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Chi Heng Foundation

Joint Efforts to Help AIDS-Impacted Children





Upcoming Events

The Blood of Yingzhou District

On May 15th, a one-time, public screening of the Academy Award-winning documentary will be held in Hong Kong. Director Ruby Yang will present the film and talk about the making of her documentary on China's AIDS orphans. Contact info@chihengfoundation.com for tickets. For movie details, go to http://www.chinaaidsmedia.com.

Kathleen's 5 AIDS Candlelight Memorial

On May 19th, the famous Shanghai restaurant will host an AIDS memorial dinner and cocktail party, with CHF as a beneficiary.

CHF Summer Camps

From July to August, CHF will host its annual summer camps in Shanghai, Beijing, and Guangzhou. Contact us for more info!



When I graw up... I want to become a naval officer." Drawn by a CHF-sporsored child in our Art Therapy Program.

STANDARD CHARTERED DELIVERS SCHOOL BAGS TO ANHUI STUDENTS

On March 19th, employees from Standard Chartered Bank traveled to Funan, Anhui with CHF staff to deliver school bags to 85 CHF-sponsored children. The bags, or "Kits of Hope", included books and school supplies and were donated to CHF on behalf



Standard Chartered Bank employees give "Kits of Happe" to CHF-sponsored families.

of the Standard Chartered Bank "Living with HIV" program's "Hope in Books" project. CHF will deliver 2,000 of the bank's "Kits of Hope" to AIDS-affected children in Henan and Anhui throughout the spring.



CHF students brainstorm in Guangzhou.

CHF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS MEET IN GUANGZHOU

Fifteen CHF-sponsored university students from Henan and Anhui gathered with CHF staff in Guangzhou for a 5-day workshop this January. The group comprised students who took summer jobs with CHF last year to run the Home Visits Program, as well as a

few newcomers interested in helping out. The students and staff discussed CHF's current programs and progress, brainstorming on how to improve the programs and what kinds of new initiatives might benefit the students' home communities. Other activities, such as a visit to the bank to facilitate the transfer of school fees to younger CHF-sponsored children, further introduced the students to CHF's work.

CHF hires its older students not only to facilitate CHF programs, but also to encourage the students to give back to their own communities.

What the Students Said ...

"I finally got to see Mr. To, who I have heard of and respect, and all of the people who help us: humorous Brother Xu, pretty and smart Sister Song, and kind Brother Ding and Sister Liu. They were so nice to us. My worries and concerns suddenly disappeared. I enjoyed staying with them, forgetting that I receive help from them. I felt like I was one of them."

From Zhang

"Anytime we do something, we need to have love in our hearts. For home visits, we also need love. We need to show our love to the suffering, AIDS-affected families... Then their lives will have hope again."

From Cheng

"After listening to those moving stories (from other students on the trip), I really want to do something for the Chi Heng Foundation and for AIDS-affected children who are suffering like me."

From Wang

Thanks to Our Partners

Chi Heng Students Run in Hong Kong Marathon

On March 4th, 43,000 people took to the streets of Hong Kong for the city's annual marathon. As the event's sponsor and a long-time supporter of the Chi Heng Foundation, Standard Chartered Bank flew in three CHF-sponsored university students and CHF-Shanghai's Rager Shen to take part in the race. The three students ran the 10km race with Standard Chartered's own Mark Julien, Associate Director, Multinational Corporates, Client Relationships, China, from Shanghai, while Rager took on the half marathon.



Standard Chartered Bank's Mark Julien and CHF students celebrate after the race, Photo: Standard Chartered Bank

Their first visit to Hong Kong, the students also took the chance to enjoy the city, including visiting Disneyland and Lantau Island's giant Buddha, as well as celebrating with Standard Chartered and CHF employees at a gathering sponsored by the bank.

Our hearty congratulations to Mark, Rager, and the students for their accomplishment, and a special thanks to Standard Chartered Bank China for sponsoring our runners!

2007 Living with HIV Charity Drawing Competition

Last November, the Rotary Club of Bayview Sunshine and CHF coorganized the inaugural "Living with HIV Charity Drawing Competition". With sponsorship from Standard Chartered Bank Hong Kong Ltd., the competition aimed to raise HIV/AIDS awareness amongst Hong Kong children through art and encourage them to support AIDS-affected children in China. Over 1,500 young people submitted AIDS-themed drawings for the competition, and 531 drawings were selected as the



Artwork on the exhibition invitation cord.

best finalists. An exhibition of the artwork, as well as an awards ceremony for the winners, was held at the Hong Kong. Central Library from March 23-25. This event raised HKD400,000 for the CHF AIDS Orphan Project.

Professor Arthur K.C. Li, Secretary for Education and Manpower, acted as Honorary Advisor for the competition, along with a renowned panel of judges, including the Hon Prof. Chan Yuk-Keung, the Hon Mr. Yu Shu-Tak, and Ms. Agatha Lee.



Congratulations to all the contestants and winners! Our thanks to everyone who submitted drawings, our judges, the Rotary Club of Bayview Sunshine, and Standard Chartered Bank Hong Kong Ltd. for their hard work and support.

For a list of the competition winners, please visit http://www.chfaidsorphans.com/Fairs-EN.htm.

Winners, guests of honor, volunteers and supporters pase together at the "Uning with HIV" Charity Drawing Competition" awards ceremony.

CHF's Winter Activities

Chinese New Year in Shangshui County

While delivering school fees this February, CHF staff brought a little extra New Year's cheer to AIDS-affected families in Henan's Shangshui County, Over 100 CHF-sponsored children and their families gathered at the local Charity Federation office, where CHF staff distributed greeting cards, clothing, calendars, and quilts. Representatives from the Department of Civil Affairs and the Charity Federation thanked CHF on behalf of the families, and the event was covered by a local television station. CHF has more activities planned for



Shangshul residents collect New Year's afts from CHF staff.

Shangshui in the coming year and will sponsor the education of twenty more AIDS-affected children in the area by June.



Winter camp students visit a museum in Hefel.

CHF Hosts First Annual Winter Camp

CHF hosted its inaugural winter camp for three days at the end of February. Eighteen children from a village of high HIV prevalence in rural Anhui province were brought to Hefei, where they visited

the city's Bao Gong

Cemetery, science parks, zoos, universities, and more. They even received a free, private tour of a local museum from the curator. The camp was a unique and exciting opportunity for the children to explore their province's capital.



Students had fun making 'triends' at the zool

Checking up on Shangcai

CHF's founder and chairperson, Chung To, paid early Chinese New Year visits to the AIDS-impacted families of Shangcai County in Henan on February 3rd. Chung spent time with the families, asking about their health and emotional conditions and encouraging the children to work hard in school. He told them to stay positive and active through these difficult times and assured them that many people care for them. Chung presented the children with red envelopes and urged them to spend the money on school supplies and necessities.



Chung To visits with a Shangeal family.

CHF NEWS IN BRIEF

- The Asia Society selected Chung To as a member of the 2007 class of Fellows for the Asia 21 Young Leaders Forum. Chung will join twenty-three other emerging young leaders from across Asia and the U.S. in the planning and running of the upcoming Asia 21 Leadership Summit in November.
- On October 10, Chung To spoke at the Science and Social Department of the Central Party School in Beijing on AIDS prevention in China.

Voices from Our Staff

Touched by a Strong Will

"I have visited many villages, seen I don't know how many people suffering from poverty. Just when I begin to become accustomed to their iron will, I am moved again by what I see and feel from my experiences with them."



CHF-Guangzhou's Xu Zhenjun.

"Once we went to an obscure village and visited one of the families we [CHF] assist. The parents served us their best food, and, over the next few days, the father accompanied us to visit all the other families that needed our help. He was familiar with everyone in the village and could find the people that we wanted easily."

"Afterwards, we learned that he'd missed work those days just to help us. His work earned the only income for the family. Fortunately, he didn't lose his job. Otherwise, the whole family would have been in trouble. His wife was an AIDS patient and very sick, To his credit, his 3 children studied very hard. Bringing up the 3 children had become his responsibility. Nevertheless, his strong character has made him face all his challenges with courage."

Voices from the Children

An Email from Xiao Wu, CHF College Student

"First of all, I want to thank you for every effort you have made for me. Thanks to your help, I have managed to further my



"My Village" by a CHF-sponsored student.

education, my family's burden has been lightened, and a great number of students have been kept from dropping out [of school]. My humble hope is that you will have a peaceful life. 'My heart is grateful for you, who will be with me for a lifetime and have encouraged me to be myself. My heart is grateful for fate, whether my life blossoms or fades.' Whenever I think of what you have done for all of us, I always sing this song with a heart full of gratitude and keep on making my humble contributions. But I do believe that without little streams, there would be no rivers or oceans. Every contribution, however small, makes a difference. 'If everyone just gives a little love, the whole world can have a better tomorrow.'

"Growth is how seeds repay the earth's love. I will take in as much as I can during college, and grow up as well as I can. That's how I will repay you for your dedication."

"Sorry I wasn't able to send you best wishes for the New Year a bit sooner."

Sincerely,

Xiao Wu March 10th, 2007

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About Us

The Chi Heng Foundation is a charity registered and based in Hong Kong. Since 2002, CHF's AIDS Orphan Project has provided education and care to 4,000 AIDS impacted children across central China. A mere HKS250 can pay for one child's primary schooling for an entire year.