

Mid-Summer Night Gala organized by Chi Heng Foundation Canada (Toronto)

On July 7th, Chi Heng Foundation Canada (Toronto) successfully organized "Chi Heng Foundation Mid-Summer Night Gala" at the Markham Event Centre to support the education of AIDS orphans in China. Our Chairperson Chung To gave a keynote speech at the dinner. Ms. Angela Zheng, one of the most renowned vocalists from China was a featured performer, while Ms. Lena Ma, the former Miss World Canada and Chi Heng Foundation Canada Ambassador was the special guest of honor. Other dignitaries who attended the gala were the Mayor of Markham, Mr. Frank Scarpitti, and Chinese Deputy Consul General, Mdm. Meifang Zhang. The Gala successfully raised a handsome amount of funds.



Chi Heng University Students prepare for Chi Heng Summer Program

Over the past decade, Chi Heng Foundation has not only been providing education funding for AIDS-impacted children, but has also placed great importance on developing rural communities. Chi Heng encourages sponsored university students to return home during the summer and provide tutorial lessons and home visits for local children. The program is referred to as the 'Big Brothers and Big Sisters program.' It aims to encourage university students to motivate younger children from similar backgrounds to set goals, study hard, believe in themselves and make an impact on their community.

In 2013, Chi Heng designed a series of special training programs for our university students at the opening session of the Summer Program Preparatory Meeting, which helped them to gain the skills required and mentally prepared them for their new roles as mentors. This year, a total of 178 students participated in Chi Heng summer program. It was the highest number ever recorded.

On July 6th-12th, 40 university students and 30 middle school students participated in the training of Traditional Chinese Culture sponsored by Henan Benyuan Humanities Charitable Foundation of Jianye Group.

On July 7th-12th, 28 university students participated in the ninth Entrepreneurial Training Programs jointly supported by Chi Heng Foundation and Bright China Foundation. So far, more than 400 students have participated in this program.



On July 10th -13th, 110 university students participated in the second phase of a series of Chi Heng Foundation courses. The course contents include: career planning, business etiquette and emotional quotient (EQ) training.

On July 14th -18th, 126 university students underwent training in preparation of their Chi Heng summer activities. The meetings laid a solid foundation for the students to provide support within their rural communities. During meetings, the executives of Ruian Group gave the students guidance and tips regarding employment.



Fifth Batch of Shanghai Young Bakers (SYB) Students Graduated

In the afternoon of July 15th, the 20 students of SYB's 5th enrollment completed their one-year training. To celebrate the graduation of these students, SYB organized a Career Fair for them. 11 companies that have been providing long-term support to SYB, including Carrefour, Lesaffre, Grand Mercure Hongqiao, Pizza Marzano and Sunflour came to meet these fresh graduates. With their professional skill sets, all graduate students got job offers. SYB gave them professional skills and the warmth of a family. It is now time for the 5th batch of Young Bakers to start their new life!



Today I Am Different - 2013 Beijing, Guangzhou Summer Camp

From July 15th-22nd, 40 AIDS orphans from Henan participated in the annual Beijing summer camp that they have been longing for. The Summer camp had four themes, including "University Visits", "Art Counseling Program", "Sightseeing" and "Enterprise Visits". At the Tsinghua University campus, university students shared their learning experiences with the children. They also visited the Bird's Nest, the Beijing Zoo, Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City, the Great Wall, Art Gallery, and the Planetarium. Moreover, many of the children learned pizza-making and ice skating for the first time. The children also had the opportunity to interact with employees and volunteers from VMware, DHgate.com, Standard Chartered Bank Beijing branch and China Trade Branch, BD, Microsoft Corporation and Amazon. Through visiting various enterprises, they gained valuable knowledge, which broadened their horizons and perspectives. At the closing dinner hosted by Novotel Beijing Sanyuan, the children showcased their talents in painting, singing and dancing and won enthusiastic applause from the audience.

From July 23rd-29th, Chi Heng also welcomed 24 AIDS orphans from Henan to our annual seven-day summer camp in Guangzhou. The children visited Sun Yat-sen University, Foshan Ancestral Temple, then went to Shiwan Art Ceramic's factory and made pottery and porcelain by hand. They also visited Print-Rite factory, Guyuan Art Museum, Guangdong Museum, Standard Chartered Bank Guangzhou Branch, Guangzhou Tower, Pearl River Night Cruise, and Yantian International Container Terminals. Most of the children saw the sea for the first time. The children enjoyed the closing dinner hosted in China Hotel and performed a wonderful program as a way of saying thank you to the volunteers and supporters.

The number of volunteers that attended the summer camps in Beijing and Guangzhou was around 200 and 180 respectively. The volunteers encouraged AIDS orphans to challenge themselves through trying new things; they also built an intimate connection with these children through caring for and sharing with them. The camps proved to be a memorable experience for all, and planted seeds of hope and possibilities for the future in these young children.



Chi Heng Beijing Summer Camp Held Interactive Meetings with Enterprises

Before the Beijing summer camp, Chi Heng Beijing Office held interactive meetings respectively with DH gate.com, BD, VMware, Amazon and Microsoft Corporation regarding HIV/AIDS knowledge, anti-discrimination advocacy and summer camp preparation. Chi Heng prepared the volunteers from these companies with AIDS-related knowledge and the skills to communicate with children attending the camps.



Chi Heng Was Invited to Alpha Partners Education Summer Camp

On July 9th, Liu Mengting, a former staff member of Chi Heng Beijing office, gave a speech on AIDS knowledge and anti-discrimination to 138 Campers in "Pegasus Chengdu" of Alpha Partners Education. Ms. Liu moved to Chengdu with her family some time ago, and assisted Chi Heng in organizing many public service activities in local universities.



On July 20th, the opening ceremony of "Pegasus" Beijing camp of Alpha Partners Education was held. Our Chairperson Chung To was invited to attend and gave a keynote speech to introduce Chi Heng Foundation. He called on young people to have a sense of social responsibility and public welfare concern.



On July 22nd evening, Chi Heng Beijing Office participated in the "Beijing Night of Social Consciousness" organized by the "Pegasus Beijing". Chi Heng interacted with more than 200 participants regarding the topics of HIV/AIDS and human equality. The young campers were very concerned about public welfare undertakings, and eagerly enquired about Chi Heng AIDS orphans project. On Aug 10th, Chi Heng and Alpha Partners Education also jointly organized an exhibition and charity sale of AIDS orphans' paintings.



Summer Internship Program

This summer, 12 university and high school students from Hong Kong and the U.S. joined Chi Heng's Summer Internship Program. With their knowledge and skills, they assisted staff from Hong Kong, Beijing, and Shanghai offices and worked on various projects. Through interning in Chi Heng, they also had the opportunity to gain an insider's perspective of the organization as well as the public service sector.



AIDS-Related Knowledge Training Workshop Organized by Chi Heng Human Resources

Chi Heng AIDS Orphans Project aims to provide educational opportunities for AIDS-affected children. With this in mind, Chi Heng staff members regularly pay home visits and communicate directly with students and their parents. Chi Heng therefore attaches great importance to its staffs' HIV/AIDS related knowledge. On July 3rd, Chi Heng HR and the Henan branch of Chi Heng co-organized an AIDS-related knowledge-training workshop. Speaker Wu Tingxiu has a wealth of medical knowledge. He introduced the early symptoms, causes and nursing knowledge of AIDS, so that staff members are able to inform and educate recipient families, and provide guidance regarding basic medical care.

Chi Heng Foundation Beijing Office Participated In NGO Exchange of Qualified Personnel

On July 14th, Chi Heng Beijing Office participated in "Approach to NGO - NGO Exchange of Qualified Personnel", which was organized by China Development Brief and Wild China. At the event, Chi Heng's Senior Communication Officer gave a wonderful speech and introduced the background and major projects of Chi Heng as well as the current AIDS status in China.



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