# Thi Heng Foundation Newsletter of Chi Heng Foundation

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# "Passion & Love" Spring Charity Dinner

On February 16th, Chi Heng Hong Kong held the "Passion & Love" Spring Charity Dinner at the Superstar Restaurant in celebration of the Year of the Horse. A charity sale of raffle tickets and lucky bags and an auction were enthusiastically supported by the guests. Two guest performers, violinist Ms. Heidi Luk and student singer Siu Hoi-yan, both recipients of the HK Outstanding Students Award, gave

very impressive performances. As the highlight of the evening, six university students sponsored by Chi Heng shared their stories and feelings with guests during the dinner. They also performed a dance in sign language to the song "I Believe" to thank the supporters.



## 2014 Dali Art Boot Camp

Chi Heng Yunnan hosted the five day Dali Art Boot Camp from February 10th to 14th. Seventeen students from different regions in Yunnan Province participated in the program, which consisted of college tours, art counseling, life enrichment, and corporate visits. The students had a wonderful time visiting Dali



College, touring the Old Town of Dali, watching a Chinese traditional tea ceremony, painting by the Erhai Lake, and experiencing dyeing-by-hand for the first time in their lives. Their adventure at the Boot Camp was memorable and inspiring.

# The Opening Ceremony of UNAIDS "Zero Discrimination Day"

In order to promote AIDS awareness and anti-discrimination in the world, UNAIDS marked March 1st as the annual "Zero Discrimination Day" in 2014. Chi Heng Foundation, one of the AIDS-fighting organizations, attended the opening ceremony of this special day with other NGOs, corporates, governmental institutions, and AIDS-prevention activists. Hosted by Mr.Zhou Liu, a CCTV host and UNAIDS Goodwill Ambassador, the ceremony appealed to society to treat AIDS-infected people equally.

#### Buynow and Chi Heng hold Monthly Fundraiser

On February 15th, Chi Heng Shanghai Buynow Xu Hui branch successfully held its monthly fundraiser, selling merchan-dise made by Chi Oi Social Enterprise. Chi Heng staff introduced Chi Heng's AIDS Orphan program to customers who enthusiastically supported the cause. The event also featured the band Flashukers and was a huge success. Funds received will be devoted to the

AIDS Orphan program.



### Home Visits in Southwestern China

From February 10th to 17th, Chi Heng Guangzhou staff made 18 home visits to university students sponsored by Chi Heng in seven different Southwest regions. Chi Heng staff met with the students personally and talked about the students' lives and experiences in college. These visits strengthened the students' trust in the organization and in-



formed Chi Heng about the sponsored students' current situation.

# Chi Heng-Sponsored University Students Joined Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2014

Thanks to Standard Chartered Bank, six university students sponsored by Chi Heng joined many other runners and finished the 10KM race of the Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2014 held on Feb 16th. All six students had a once-in-a-lifetime experience in this international sporting gala. The students came from the provinces of Henan, Anhui and Yunnan. They spent an eventful and meaningful

weekend in Hong Kong with Chi Heng volunteers and supporters. They took their very first tram and ferry ride, had dim sum lunch, exchanged ideas and stories with Hong Kong students, visited corporations, as well as meeting with many Chi Hang supporters during the



# UWC Students Visit Chi Heng Henan Project Site

The United World College (UWC) and Chi Heng Shanghai coordinated a site visit to Henan on February 15th. The UWC students visited the Chi Heng Reading Room and talked to students sponsored by Chi Heng. The two groups of students enthusiastically shared their motivational learning



experiences with each other. UWC and Chi Heng have established a partnership through this trip, and Chi Heng will encourage its students to apply for UWC scholarships in the future, in order to give them exposure to diverse cultures.

## Chi Heng Anhui Launches Its Video Learning Program

Collaborating with AMD, Shanghai Jiuqian Volunteer Center and Stepping Stone, Chi Heng Shanghai successfully launched its distance learning program to the Anhui project site on February 16th.

Volunteers held two thoughtfully designed online lessons on Personal Growth and English For Fun, for eight AIDS orphans at Chi Heng Caring Home in Anhui, with an aim to cultivate their confidence, courage, and ability to express. More online courses will become open to students in other project sites in the near future.



### CYL Leaders Visits Chi Heng Beijing Office

Leaders of the Communist Youth League (CYL) of Beijing visited Chi Heng Beijing office on February 13th. Secretary Guo inquired about Chi Heng's history, operations, and the situation of AIDS orphans. The main purpose of this trip was to discuss the difficulties and prospects of Chi Heng, and to address the government's attention to NGOs as well as its intention to establish a harmonious society with NGOs.

# The Spread of Charity

On February 16th, Chi Heng Beijing held a discussion about charity and Chi Heng's causes with 20 exchange students from Syracuse University USA. These students, who have just recently started studying in Tsinghua University, have all expressed their interest in Chi Heng's programs. They



will volunteer for Chi Heng this year during their study in Beijing, in order to help the AIDS-impacted children. Charity is borderless.

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