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Hong Kong Housing Society Award Nurtures Young Talents for Housing and Elderly-Care Professions for 14 Years in a Row

The 14th Hong Kong Housing Society Award (HKHS Award) Presentation Ceremony was held today (26 January). The 96 student awardees this year came from 10 local tertiary institutes and their continuing education schools and community colleges, as well as three member institutions of the Vocational Training Council (VTC), namely the Technological and Higher Education Institute of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education and Hong Kong Design Institute.

Established in 2006, the HKHS Award aims to support talent development of local housing and elderly-care industries. The Award recognises students with outstanding academic performance in related disciplines while providing financial assistance to those in need. This year, apart from giving a prize of HK\$8,000 and an award certificate to each student awardee, HKHS also provided them with experiential learning opportunities through visits to the Housing Society Exhibition Centre, Housing Society Elderly Resources Centre and relevant government departments so as to enrich their understanding of HKHS's business and associated professions.

To facilitate network-building and continuous development among student awardees of HKHS Award, the "HKHS Award Alumni Club" is set up this year, and various learning and community service activities will be organised in future.

HKHS Chairman Walter Chan said at the award presentation ceremony, "As an organisation committed to fulfilling the social mission of serving local housing needs, HKHS believes that nurturing talents is important for the industry and endeavours to support the development of emerging students through the HKHS Award. Since its launch, the Award has benefitted over 1,000 students with a total sponsorship amount exceeding HK\$6 million. With housing shortage and ageing population being the pressing issues for our city, we hope that all awardees can contribute to society with their knowledge acquired and take the lead in creating homes and reviving community."



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Besides, HKHS has granted scholarships annually to outstanding students of the Master of Housing Management Programme of The University of Hong Kong through the "Father Cronin Memorial Award" starting from 1994. Lam Chung Yi and Tsang Ngai Bun were two award recipients selected this year. They each receive a prize of HK\$8,000 in recognition of their excellent academic performance and potential for further development.

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HKHS Chairman Walter Chan speaks at the Award Presentation Ceremony, encouraging the students to make good use of their knowledge to contribute to society.



A total of 96 students from 10 tertiary institutions and three VTC schools receive the HKHS Award.