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Inauguration of Hong Kong Housing Society Academy Alumni Club

The Hong Kong Housing Society (HKHS) has been dedicated to nurturing young talents in housing-related industries through extensive initiatives including provision of scholarships, bursaries and internship opportunities over the years. With the aim to further engage the scholarship awardees and enhance their personal and professional development, the HKHS Academy Alumni Club was formally set up today (30 July). Among the officiating guests of the inauguration ceremony were HKHS Chairman Walter Chan, HKHS Chief Executive Officer Wong Kit-loong, and Youth Development Commission Vice-Chairman and MWYO Director Lau Ming-wai.

The scholarship/bursaries schemes granted by HKHS, namely the “Hong Kong Housing Society Award”, the “Housing Society Community Scholarship” and the “Housing Society Scholarship and Bursary Scheme for Employees’ Children”, have benefitted more than 1,800 students attending Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (DSE) and local tertiary institutions. The Alumni Club will organise an array of learning and community service activities for its members, with a view to expanding their professional network and broadening their horizon.

In his message at the opening ceremony, HKHS Chairman Walter Chan said, “HKHS has assumed the role of a ‘housing laboratory’ in the past 70 years, providing innovative housing projects, while at the same time fulfilling its corporate social responsibility. With the establishment of the ‘HKHS Academy Alumni Club’, we hope to promote professional development and learning among awardees and foster intergenerational exchange. We will also join hands with the youths to serve the community, making contribution to creating a sustainable society.”

On the same occasion, Youth Development Commission Vice-Chairman and MWYO Director Lau Ming-wai said, “Every one of our younger generation is unique in the way that each has his own talents and his own thoughts. If we can



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help them better understand and equip their own self, support them in setting a goal, and prepare them to grasp the opportunity and put their abilities to good use in a rapidly changing world that is overwhelmed with information, we can as well raise the competitiveness of the whole city. The establishment of the ‘HKHS Academy Alumni Club’ will definitely help to cultivate professional leaders among the younger generation, and bring about benefits for the long term development of Hong Kong.”

To cultivate the youngster’s understanding and interests towards the society, the Alumni Club organised its first activity in June this year for members with a visit to the Hong Kong News-Expo to learn about the history of Hong Kong’s news media. More activities including industry talks, leadership training workshops and community services for the grassroots children and elderly will be organised with partnering organisations, realising the Alumni Club’s six visions of “**L**earn”, “**E**ngage”, “**A**spire”, “**D**rive”, “**E**mbrace” and “**R**espect”, and grooming the youths to be the future **LEADERS**.

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HKHS Chairman Walter Chan (4th from the left), HKHS Chief Executive Officer Wong Kit-loong (3rd from the right) and MWYO Director Lau Ming-wai (4th from the right) witnessed the establishment of HKHS Academy Alumni Club with guests from partnering organisations.



HKHS Academy Alumni Club will organise various activities to foster intergenerational exchange and serve the community.