

Anti-epidemic Support Scheme for Environmental Hygiene and Security Staff in Property Management Sector under sixth round of Anti-epidemic Fund disbursing subsidies

The Anti-epidemic Support Scheme for Environmental Hygiene and Security Staff in Property Management Sector (ASPM) under the sixth round of the Anti-epidemic Fund is open for applications and has started to disburse subsidies.

As of today (March 31), around 3 150 applications have been received for the ASPM, of which around 290 applications have been approved. The approved applications involve subsidies of around \$23.54 million and benefit around 2 400 frontline property management (PM) workers.

The Government has launched the ASPM under the sixth round of the Anti-epidemic Fund to provide a monthly allowance of \$2,000 for five months (i.e. from February to June 2022) to the frontline PM workers engaged by PM companies (PMCs) or owners' corporations (OCs)/owners' organisations (OOs) to perform duties relating to environmental hygiene and security in private residential, composite (i.e. commercial cum residential), industrial and commercial (including shopping malls) building blocks. The ASPM also covers similar types of frontline PM workers engaged directly by the premises situated within the building blocks mentioned above (applications must be submitted through PMCs, deed of mutual covenant (DMC) managers or OCs/OOs of the buildings, subject to the quota of headcount of 100), and frontline PM workers serving in eligible building blocks which do not have OCs or any form of residents' organisations, or do not engage PMCs (commonly known as "three-nil" buildings).

The ASPM has been open for application since February 28 and the deadline for application is April 30. PM companies, DMC managers or OCs/OOs of eligible building blocks and frontline PM workers serving "three-nil" buildings are reminded to submit their applications to the Property Management Services Authority (PMSA) as soon as practicable. For details on the ASPM, please contact the PMSA at 3696 1156 or 3696 1166, or visit the website of the PMSA (aspm.pmsa.org.hk/).