## Beat Drugs Fund invites applications for 2021 Funding Exercise of Regular Funding Scheme

The following is issued on behalf of the Secretariat of the Beat Drugs Fund Association (BDFA):

The Beat Drugs Fund (BDF) is inviting applications for the 2021 Funding Exercise of the Regular Funding Scheme (RFS) from today (July 22) until September 15.

The BDF RFS aims to promote worthwhile anti-drug projects that can help address the problem of drug abuse. For the 2021 Funding Exercise of the RFS, projects meeting one or more of the priority areas (at Annex) for treatment and rehabilitation, preventive education and publicity, and research will be accorded priority.

The application form and guide to applicants are available on the website of the Narcotics Division (<u>www.nd.gov.hk/en/beat\_drug\_fund\_2021.htm</u>). The deadline for application for the 2021 Funding Exercise of the BDF RFS is 6pm on September 15, 2021. For details of guidelines on the application submission, please refer to paragraph 7 of the Guide to the 2021 Funding Exercise of BDF RFS or pages 39 and 40 of the application form.

This year the BDFA will also deliver four briefing cum experience sharing sessions online on July 28, July 30, August 3 and August 5 for interested applicants. Details can be found on the website of the Narcotics Division (www.nd.gov.hk/en/beat\_briefing\_experience\_sharing\_sessions.htm). Representatives of interested organisations may complete the online enrolment form (forms.gle/LdQE8js17LRcqNT79). The participants will be provided with the link and password of the online briefing cum experience sharing sessions via email nearer the time.

Enquiries are welcome by telephone at 2867 2769 or 2867 2286; or via email to <a href="mailto-bdf@sb.gov.hk">bdf@sb.gov.hk</a>.

Results of applications for the 2021 Funding Exercise are expected to be announced in the first quarter of 2022.