<u>Sir Robert Ho Tung Fund allocates</u> <u>grants to 183 charitable projects</u>

The Sir Robert Ho Tung Charitable Fund allocated \$13 million to 183 charitable projects in the areas of medicine and health, rehabilitation, social welfare, education and community service in the 2018 allocation.

A spokesman for the Fund's Allocation Committee said today (March 14), "The Fund's donation enables over 100 organisations to enhance their services, which will benefit a large number of people, especially the underprivileged."

Major grants included:

- * \$2,170,900 for the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals to purchase medical and rehabilitation equipment and to organise education camps for children with special needs;
- * \$873,640 for Queen Elizabeth Hospital to acquire medical equipment;
- * \$809,980 for the Hong Kong Tuberculosis, Chest and Heart Diseases Association to acquire medical equipment for Grantham Hospital and Ruttonjee and Tang Shiu Kin Hospitals $\hat{1}_4$
- * \$752,000 for Hong Kong St John Ambulance to purchase equipment and provide first aid training for the general public;
- * \$526,560 for the Po Leung Kuk to acquire rehabilitation equipment and organise programmes for children with special needs;
- * \$372,600 for Prince of Wales Hospital to acquire medical equipment;
- * \$280,300 for the Pentecostal Church of Hong Kong to purchase equipment for its elderly centres;
- * \$266,313 for the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children to purchase furniture and equipment for its nursery schools and child care centres $\hat{1}_3$
- * \$243,400 for the Evangelical Lutheran Church Social Service Hong Kong to purchase furniture and equipment;
- * \$230,500 for the Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association to purchase rehabilitation equipment and organise training exercise for the frail elderly;
- * \$225,000 for United Christian Hospital to acquire medical equipment; and
- * \$216,500 for Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital to acquire medical equipment.

The Sir Robert Ho Tung Charitable Fund, one of the major trust funds in Hong Kong, was set up in 1956 with a bequest of \$500,000 by the late Sir Robert Ho Tung. It is now managed by HSBC Trustee (Hong Kong) Limited.