'For Our Future Scholarship' 2021/22

Information Note

- 1. The Greater Bay Area Homeland Youth Community Foundation is offering the 'For Our Future Scholarship' to local students in recognition of their academic studies and contributions to society through financial support that enables them to achieve their goals and aspirations.
- 2. Successful candidates will be those students who have demonstrated excellent performance in their academic studies, personal development (sports, arts and music, etc.) and social services. They are also expected to have a strong commitment to Hong Kong and a desire to continue serving society after graduation.
- 3. Anyone who is a full-time postgraduate or undergraduate student in one of the 13 educational institutions* in Hong Kong in the 2021/22 academic year and who meets the criteria set out in this Information Note may apply.
- 4. Further details of the Scholarship are given below:

Name: 'For Our Future Scholarship'

Eligibility: An applicant for the Scholarship must be

- (i) a local student
- (ii) aged between 18 and 40
- (iii) studying for a full-time bachelor's (year 2 and above) or master's degree at a Hong Kong university/college

Accreditation Criteria:

- (i) Academic performance (in the last academic year) with a GPA \geq 3.5 out of 4.3, and distinctive performance in academic projects
- (ii) Personal development (sports, art, music, etc.)(details of qualifications/awards of events or competitions should be provided)
- (iii) Participation in social services
 (length of services, nature of services, location coverage, number and stratum of beneficiaries, public recognition, initiation of community project, etc. should be provided)
- (iv) Other considerations
 (experience in leadership/other training programmes, significant internship programmes, recommendations from external stakeholders and content of personal statement, etc.)

Quota & Amount of Scholarship:

<u>HK\$50,000 per student</u>, will be awarded to a total of 15 students from 13 Hong Kong educational institutions.

Other than the scholarship, the Foundation will organise exchange tours for the awardees to go to mainland cities in the Greater Bay Area, to experience the latest development and to gain a better understanding of the region.

Conditions of Scholarship:

A successful candidate must comply with or agree to comply with all the requirements of the scholarship application should he/she decide to accept an award made under this scheme.

Selection Procedures:

Completed applications should be submitted to the Student Development Services via College/School/Department. A preliminary selection will be conducted by the Foundation office, and some candidates will be shortlisted for final selection.

Handling of Information & Personal Data supplied in application:

The personal data collected in this exercise will be used for activities related to the application process under this Scholarship and the compilation of relevant statistics to facilitate reviews of the award.

The Foundation may also publicise the personal data of a successful candidate (such as his/her name, gender, age, education background, public examination results, academic and non-academic achievements, extracurricular activities/community services and employment history) and any photos or videos capturing his/her image (limited to those taken when he/she attends official events organised by the Foundation in the public domain, such as the website of and publications issued by the Foundation for the purpose of promotion or publicity).

The personal data provided in the application forms for this Scholarship will ONLY be disclosed to relevant parties

- (a) for the purposes mentioned in the preceding paragraphs; and
- (b) for any other purposes with the consent of the data subjects, unless such disclosure is permitted under the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance without the consent of the data subjects.

*The 13 educational institutions in Hong Kong (arranged in alphabetical order): Chu Hai College of Higher Education

City University of Hong Kong

Hong Kong Baptist University

Hong Kong Metropolitan University

Hong Kong Shue Yan University

Lingnan University

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

The Education University of Hong Kong

The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong

The Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

The University of Hong Kong

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Notes on Completion of Application Form

- (a) All information provided by you in this form must be typewritten or written in English using a ballpen in black/blue ink; you may also complete an editable PDF proforma downloaded from the Foundation's website.
- (b) Please write 'Not Applicable (N.A.)' or 'Nil' for item(s) deemed inappropriate.
- (c) Please append additional sheets to the application form, if necessary.
- (d) Documents and materials submitted with this application will not be returned.
- (e) The Greater Bay Area Homeland Youth Community Foundation may not be able to process the application if the information provided is unclear, incorrect, incomplete or without the necessary supporting document(s).
- (f) Papers and documents submitted with the Application Form should be in A4 size.
- (g) English translations must be provided if the papers and documents submitted are not in English. Submission of any papers/documents in a foreign language may not be considered.
- (h) Completed Application Forms must be returned to the Student Affairs Office of the institution together with the necessary supporting documents (including but not limited to Annexes A and B). Candidates should read and complete the "Checklist on Completion of Application Form" (Annex B) before submitting the Application Forms.