

Joy to Live

A Home Improvement Project for Subdivided Flat Residents in Southern District

Sharing Night on Poverty and Housing Problem in Hong Kong Cum Information Session of Joy to Live



Date: 7 October, 2014 (Tue) Time: 6:30 – 8:30 pm

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Venue: P3, Chong Yuet Ming Building

Speakers: Mr Benson Tsang, Equal Share Movement &

Mr Chu Fung, Worker in Charge, Caritas Community Centre – Aberdeen

Language: Cantonese * *Simultaneous interpretation service is available upon request*. Enrolment: http://2736706.polldaddy.com/s/information-session

In view of the inequalities and wealth gap in Hong Kong, Mr Benson Tsang, an interior designer, initiated "Equal Share Movement" (平等分享行動) in 2011 to share love, care and what we have to the underprivileged groups in Hong Kong including street sleepers, the elderly and cubicle dwellers. Every last Saturday of the month, members of Equal Share, mostly connected through facebook, gather to give out food, clothes and chat with the homeless in local communities such as Sham Shui Po, Yau Ma Tei etc. To him, the events are decentralised and anonymous and aim not to "feed the poor" but change the way people see others and act to rebuild the relationship within our neighbourhood that he believes Hong Kong has lost.

In this event, Benson will share the poverty and housing problems he observes in Hong Kong in the past few years, and tell us how he works out the Equal Share Movement. Mr Chu Fung from Caritas Community Centre - Aberdeen will then provide some background information on the situations of subdivided flats in Southern District, and introduce the idea and design of the "Joy to Live" Project.

Joy to Live is a <u>We Are With You (WAY) Project</u> administered by CEDARS that aims to build a community network to empower the Southern District to accumulate social capital and improve social mobility. "<u>Joy to Live</u>" is designed to improve the quality of life and dignity of people living in the subdivided flats in Southern District through a survey on their living conditions and needs, a home improvement project and an exhibition. Volunteers are being called to conduct the first comprehensive survey on subdivided flats in Southern District of Hong Kong. Come and <u>join us</u>.

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