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Light Up Lives

VIRTUAL GALA 2021



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

To join our live-stream
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7:00PM

Welcome

7:25PM

Co-Hosts Kick Off

7:45PM

Message from Co-Chairs

8:00PM

Raffle Draw

8:15PM

Light Up Lives Stories

8:30PM

Pledge Drive

9:00PM

Silent Auction

9:40PM

Music: Cool Cats & Docs

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Auction Bids!

Wonderful experiences and art are up for grabs in our virtual auction TODAY



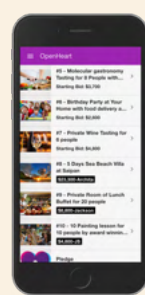
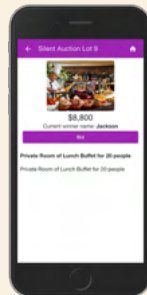
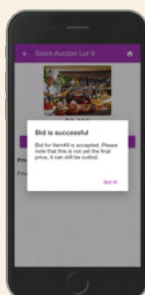
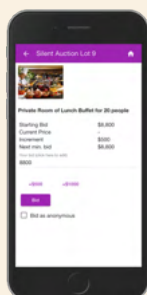
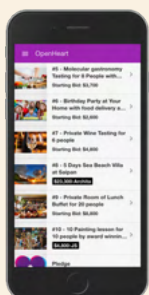
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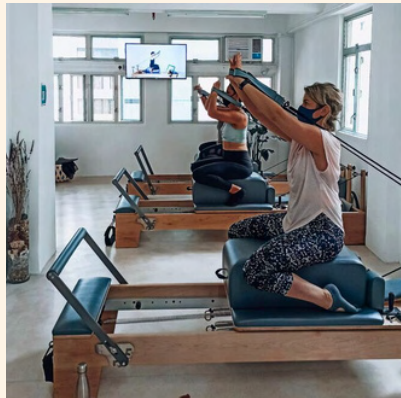
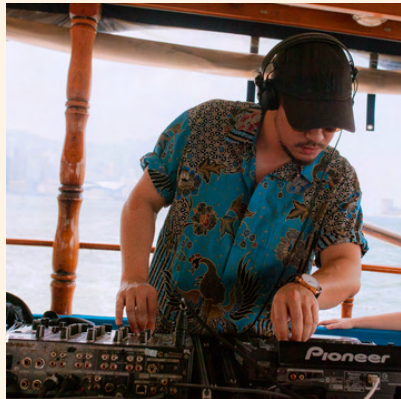
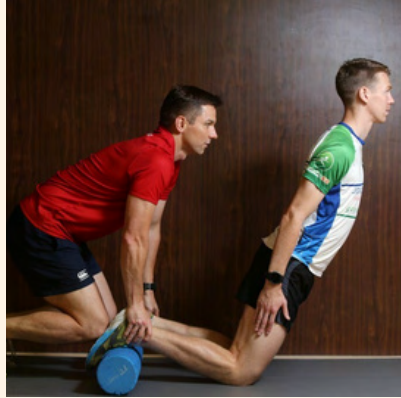
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Browse the items and tap the lot you want

Enter your bid amount and click "Bid"

An SMS will tell you if you are out bid... go ahead: re-bid!





SILENT AUCTION ITEMS



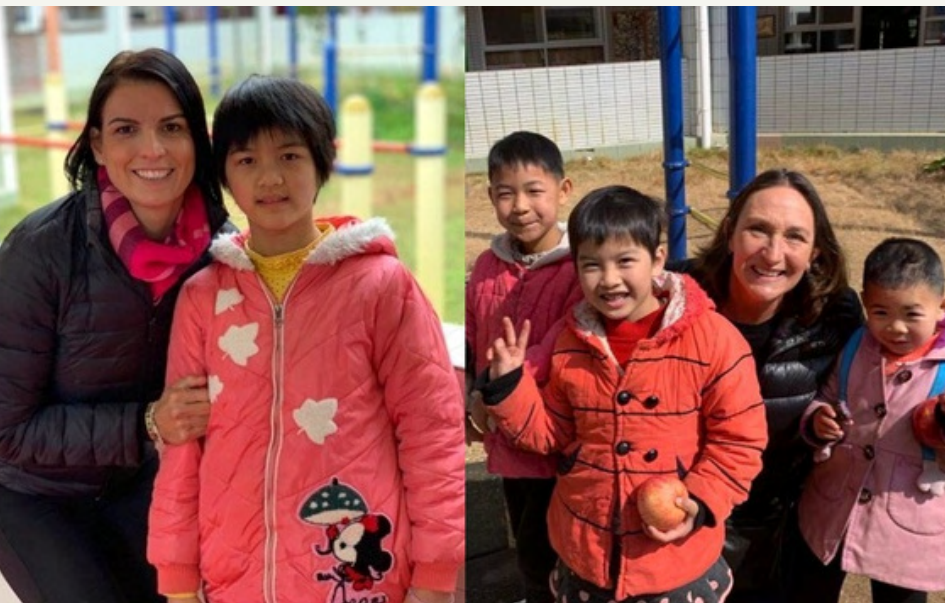
Raffle tickets!

Amazing prizes to be won and only HK\$100 per ticket!



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4. Select number of raffle tickets to buy - you can buy more later if there are any left!
5. Click Pay and enter credit card details following the process. You will get an email confirmation and see your tickets on Open Heart

CO-CHAIRS ADDRESS



ADAPTING 2019 - 2021

Thank you for joining our “Light Up Lives” virtual gala! This is a first for the Foundation and we cannot thank you enough for participating in these unusual circumstances. It is heartwarming to see so many agile and adaptable supporters who have enabled this event to proceed. We are truly grateful for your attendance and hope that you enjoy the event!

We have just commenced our second year serving as Co-Chairs of the Sunbeam Children’s Foundation and are honoured to be building on the legacy of Dorothy Wong and May Chan. Together they built and nurtured this amazing charity, which positively impacts the lives of so many children within the Baiwan community.

We have faced many barriers to our fundraising efforts over the past two years. The social unrest in Hong Kong which began in late 2019, impacted our annual gala two years running. Running parallel to this, the Covid-19 pandemic, which continues to affect our fundraising events. Both have impacted the children, their families and the community that we serve in many different ways and have made them more vulnerable than ever.

Despite these challenges, we still have great hope for the Sunbeam children to continue to thrive and prosper. This is thanks to our vision for the Sunbeam Children’s Foundation, which remains unchanged and clear: To provide a home, education, healthcare and career guidance to orphans and disadvantaged children in Baiwan, Guangdong, China.

As parents and child sponsors ourselves, it is heartbreaking to read the admission reports for newly enrolled children to the Sunbeam Children’s Village and yet we are encouraged by the promise of a better future that these children hold. Thanks to the love and nurturing they receive throughout their lives at the Village, coupled with the inclusive environment our Resident Director Yan Wei and his team have fostered, all of these children are given the opportunity to challenge their boundaries and fulfill their dreams.

As of the 1st of November 2021 we have 83 children enrolled at the Sunbeam Children’s Village, having recently been given approval to accept 3 young boys into our care – the first since October 2019! It has been such a pleasure to welcome these children to the Village and we look forward to seeing their progress in the future.

Being a small charitable organization, this is both a strength and a weakness. We rely heavily on volunteer support to enable our fundraising capability in Hong Kong, but because our funds are channeled off-shore, this is often a barrier to our ability to raise donations within Hong Kong. As such, we are incredibly grateful for your contribution towards our gala.

There are so many worthy charities that require urgent funding, so you may ask why Sunbeam? We can only tell you that from our experience of meeting the Sunbeam children and seeing first-hand the extraordinary environment and facilities provided at the Sunbeam Village, we know the generous income and sponsorship from our donors goes towards supporting an amazing organization that truly nurtures children and gives them a great start in life.

We hope you have an amazing event – wherever you may be in the world – and that you continue to keep the impact you can have on these children at the forefront of your mind.

Please join us to “Light up Lives” this year!

We cannot thank you enough for your support.

Rebecca Boss & Pauleen Fernandez

OUR STORY

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OUR MISSION

To provide our children with a happy home, access to healthcare, a good education and career guidance, enabling them to move on and lead independent and successful lives.

We create brighter futures for those who need it most, helping children learn the professional and social skills required to survive and thrive in the world.

OUR HISTORY

Founded in Hong Kong, December 1996, Sunbeam Children's Foundation is an independent charity, unaffiliated to any religious or political cause, focused on the care of disadvantaged children in Baiwan, Guangdong, China.

Since 1999, the Sunbeam Children's Village has provided a home and care for these children, in Baiwan's remote community, many of whom are orphans and children from underprivileged, one parent families. To date, we have raised 250 children, most of whom stay with us for 10 to 15 years and who have flourished over time, gaining tertiary educations and entering the workforce. Having just celebrated our 22nd anniversary, we've seen the children under our care grow to become healthy, thriving young adults, 23 of which are graduates, 13 of them college students, 81 attending senior high school and 35 completing middle school.

Since its inception, the Sunbeam Children's Village has grown to include a library, an IT room and other developmental activities, helping our children prosper into capable individuals, well equipped for a brighter future. In 2005, we established a free playgroup for the local children of Baiwan, welcoming 600 children in the past 16 years. Currently attended by 29 children, our playgroup's purpose is to engage them in early-learning supervised play, while teaching them the basic skills that will help prepare them for the routines and social interactions of primary school.



OUR FOCUS

The charity operates in Baiwan, located 3.5 hours north of Guangzhou, China and is one of the poorest townships in Guangdong province. With a population size of approximately 2,000, this small, isolated community is home to many impoverished families, many of whom have four or more children to care for.

The villagers are mostly farmers, but the land is of poor quality and the region is mountainous. Many locals have subsequently migrated to urban areas for better employment prospects, leaving behind the elderly and the children.

Our free playgroup, welcoming village children aged 3 to 5 years old, provides Monday to Friday playgroup sessions, from 8:30am to 4:30pm. During the day, the children are offered a nutritious lunch and snacks, with a short nap taking place after lunch. The daily curriculum follows the standard Government pre-school curriculum.

OUR CHILDREN

Sunbeam Children's Village is currently home to 80 children, ranging from 5 to 25 years old, with over 50% of them young teenagers. Our children attend schools locally, as well as in nearby cities - from preschool through to tertiary education.

In 2015 we initiated a program for local children who had been left in the village alone, enabling 40 to 50 of them to come to the Sunbeam Village each weekend to enjoy our facilities and fellowship. It is estimated that there are over 1,000 of these children in this small, impoverished community.

Some of our children require additional support for their educational and emotional needs. These children have been diagnosed with a variety of individual needs, including Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, DHD, Dyslexia and Speech and Language Delay.

The majority of children at Sunbeam have also experienced developmental trauma and would greatly benefit from consistent professional support and targeted, individualised intervention.

Despite the challenges they faced in early life, our children have gone on to lead productive lives, becoming the next generation of doctors, social workers, teachers and office workers.

OUR STAFF

We have 21 full-time staff at the Sunbeam Children's Village, as well as 1 part-time accountant. These include a medical officer, social workers, teachers, childcare workers, cooks, a steward and watchmen.

Our Resident Director has been with us for 19 years and is a qualified social worker.





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TO THE CHILDREN OF
SUNBEAM SETS AN EXAMPLE
FOR US ALL

HONORARY MEMBERS
MAY CHAN & DOROTHY WONG

VILLAGE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

ON BEHALF OF THE CHILDREN & STAFF



我是閔偉，陽光兒童村院長。我僅代表陽光兒童村全體孩子和員工向香港陽光兒童基金有限公司各位董事，主席，籌款委員會，以及每一位捐款人，贊助人表達由衷的感謝！幫助一個孩子就是點燃重建一個家庭的希望。有你們長期的付出和支持，陽光兒童村才能成功運營20多年；有你們的支援，這些需要得到幫助的孩子才取得了如此大的進展！一切都因為有你們的幫助！未來，我們將一如既往，將希望和愛帶給需要得到幫助的孩子，讓他們有一個幸福，成功的未來！再次感謝大家！

IGNITING HOPE

I'm Yan Wei, Resident Director of Baiwan Sunbeam Children's Village.

On behalf of all the children and staff, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to the Directors, Chairs, Fundraising Committee, and every donor and sponsor of Sunbeam Children's Foundation .

Helping a child is igniting hope for a family to rebuild. With your long-term dedication and support, Sunbeam Children's Village can successfully operate for more than 20 years.

Because of your support, these children in need of help have achieved so much development. Because of your help ! In the future, we will, as always, bring hope and love to the children who need help, so that they can have a happy and successful future life!

Thank you again!

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Glenda

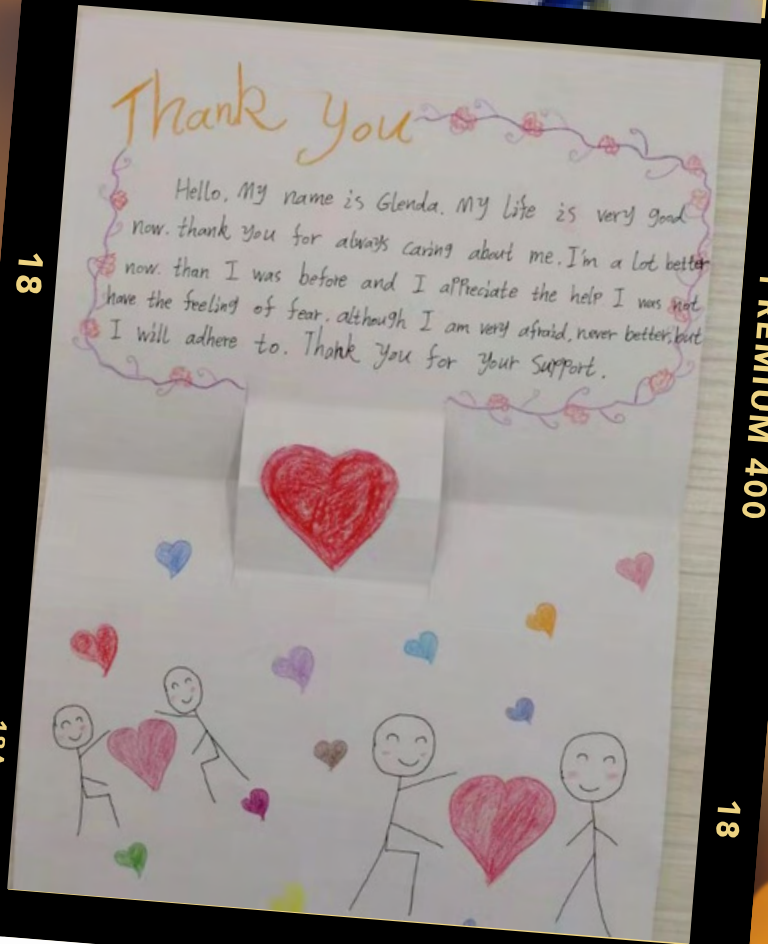


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[Spring/Summer 2021 Newsletter](#)



Dorothy

HER EDUCATION DREAMS CAME TRUE

Dorothy has just finished her second year of college. She has spent most of her life in the Village having been admitted at the age of 5.

Over the years, Dorothy has grown up to become a healthy and spirited young woman.

She has been excited about many interesting things she has encountered in college and studies very hard.

In her own words, she couldn't have this education without donors' generous support and help.



Charlie

HE HAS A SAFE & JOYFUL CHILDHOOD

Charlie entered the Village at the age of 5. He has lost his father and his mother has been hospitalised. Charlie stayed with a close relative who unfortunately was unable to give the time and care a little child needed.

Despite all these difficulties, Charlie has a very gentle and cheerful heart. He enjoys playing with small animals and toy cars, as most children his age do.

With the help of donors and staff, Charlie is able to stay in the Village and experience a safe and joyful childhood.



Gemma

SHE WILL PAY IT FORWARD IN THE FUTURE

Gemma entered college in 2020, majoring in logistics. She is an avid and engaged student and hopes to help others in the future.

In her own words, "the donors" support that came at the right time, enabling her education by substantially easing financial burdens. Gemma promised she won't disappoint.

She endeavours to "pay it forward" and do something similar for other children whose families may be struggling and to afford them the same opportunity to have an education and a quality life.

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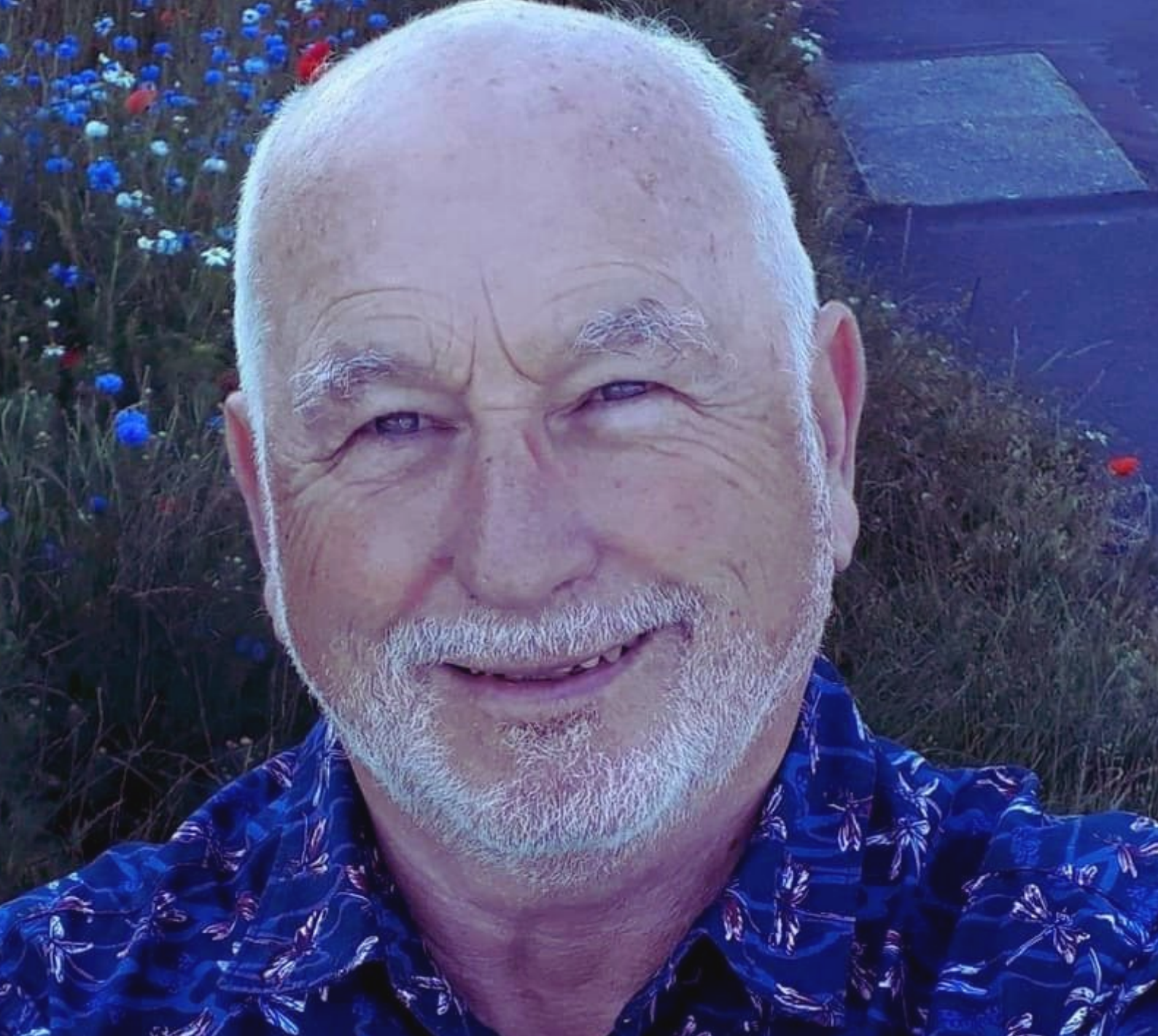
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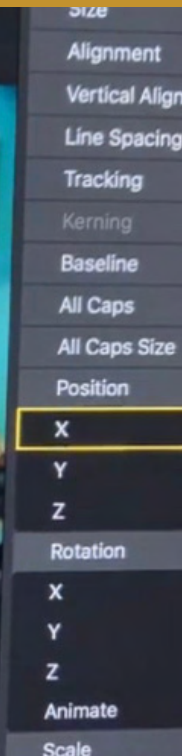
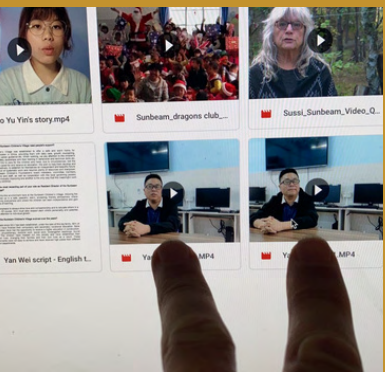
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OF OUR HEARTS

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MR ALAN AND MRS BEATRICE WEN



Behind the Scenes

Thank you to **Sheetal Rajpal** and **Daren Durkin** for co-hosting the Sunbeam Children's Village Light Up Lives Virtual Gala 2021 as well as **David Gething** for driving the pledging.



PHOTOS OF 2021



Our current challenges & funding needs

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Talent: The primary challenges are related to recruiting teaching staff to Baiwan, due to its remote location and the limited prospect of career advancement. Paying more competitive salaries and providing better accommodation would be a strategic way to attract more talent. This, however, places added pressure on our finances.

Infrastructure upgrades: Regulatory changes have also required us to upgrade our facilities, resulting in unexpected expenses, as the building is now 22 years old, that could have been directed to the children.

Individual needs children: Additional funding would enable us to provide more targeted care to our children with individual needs, by training our existing staff and hiring specialised staff. This would equip them to provide the educational and emotional support these children requirements.

Transportation: The closure of schools in the region, due to its declining population, has created the need for us to transport some of our children to new schools, further away from the Sunbeam Children's Village. This requires us to provide a transportation service, which is an ongoing expense.

Emotional support and well-being: While the well-being of our children remains a priority, COVID-19 has highlighted how quickly the children can regress when away from Sunbeam's group home for an extended period. We are subsequently looking to create a series of activities on weekends, designed to engage the children beyond their regimented curriculum and provide them with alternative ways in which to express their social, artistic or personal interests.

Volunteer support: In order to sustain our care and fuel our ambition for the Sunbeam Children's Village, we are looking to increase our volunteer base. Volunteers bring the much needed skills, capacity and energy required to offer a unique and diverse perspective to our diverse range of initiatives.

Sincerely,
Sunbeam Children's Foundation
Board of Directors





You can support us by **SPONSORING A CHILD** and/or **MAKING A DONATION**

你可以透過**助養兒童**及/或**直接捐款**支持我們!

Child Sponsorship 助養兒童

Yes, I wish to sponsor ___ Sunbeam child(ren) with the following **MONTHLY** sum to help the children in the Sunbeam Children's Village.

我願意以月捐形式**資助**___名陽光兒童村的兒童，每月捐款金額：

- HK\$150
- HK\$300
- HK\$500
- HK\$1,000
- Any amount to help 其他金額：HK\$_____

Monthly/Single-gift Donation 每月/一次過捐款

Yes, I wish to donate HK\$_____ on **MONTHLY/ONE-OFF** basis (please delete as appropriate) for:

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- The education fund 教育基金
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