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There are numerous social problems these days. Holding on the traditional methods to solve may not be efficient. Rather, think out of the box, things may get better.

After a year working in the CUHK Social Service Team in year 1, I have encountered numerous great people with strong passion towards serving the society and people that have been shaded away from the society. I hope to share the stories with other people. Therefore, I organized the “Human Library”. I believe that everyone is like a book that is worth reading. As long as you are willing to open your heart and chat, you will discover and learn a lot from the “book”. Moreover, I hope to bridge connection between people with different background and nurture people to have mindset of understand before making judgment. We have received lots of positive feedback from the participants of getting inspiration from the “books”.

One of the guests of the Human Library is my colleague who works together for the Suspended Meal. There are lots of constrictions and procedures for people to get help from the government or other organizations. To help the grassroots, my friends and I set up a Suspended Meal campaign. People who are willing can pay for an extra meal. Anyone who is in need, without any investigation on their background, can have the meal for free. We invite restaurants to participate, with provision of promotion materials and advice on how to operate. There are over 50 restaurants participated with significant help to people living in districts where the restaurants located.

Monopoly in Hong Kong has been expanding for a number of years. From food, to daily utensils, we have reducing number of choices. Consumption nowadays is simplified into payment then gets the product. At the same time, I realized that our campus has been lacking of choices except buying from the small supermarket. Hoping to raise the awareness of local and ethic consumption and to provide an alternative to people in CUHK, my friends and I have set up “A Store in CUHK”. We offer a range of locally made food that taste good and healthy and also offer environmentally friendly products. With limited resources, we have to use a special model to make things happen: making orders twice a month, then gather what people ordered and deliver all in once to reduce the transportation cost. We also make good use of the common areas in the campus to deliver the ordered goods. Acting as a middleman, we hope to support the local manufacturing industry and share the often untold stories of the producers’ history and craftsmanship. We hope to encourage staff and students at the CUHK to be more ethical, environmental conscious and make sustainable choices when buying. The store is greatly supported by students and staff in CUHK, and has been reported by some media.

From all the campaigns, one of my greatest lessons is to keep trying. The society will get closer and closer to what we hope to be, by having diversified and creative inputs.

To close, I am really honoured to be awarded this year’s CUHK Convocation Outstanding Creativity Award for the Humanities. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the board for the recognition for my work and would like to encourage everyone to try doing something creative and meaningful to others.

Photo 1



The last order of 2015-16 semester of A Store in CUHK, with the locally produced goods placed at the back.

Photo 2



Group photo for the Human library.

(I am the second one from the right)