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Devoting to community services for almost 10 years, I would like to divide my experience into three stages, participation, organization as well as promotion of community services. Volunteering holds quite a large proportion in my student life, and marks my growth throughout 10 years.

I was first brought to community services in F.2. The teacher invited me to join the Social Service Corps in school. At the very beginning, I acted as a participant only. We paid visit to nursing homes, special schools, as well as the activity centres. We served the elderly, the disabled, non-Chinese-speaking groups, and students with special education needs. Helping for the preparation before visit, packing gift for the service targets, talking with the service targets are my main roles in community services at this stage. I found satisfaction in community services and would like to have a longer journey in volunteering.

Stepping into the senior secondary school life, I tried organising various community services on my own with friends. There was quite a big difference from the previous volunteering experiences. I had to manage a large group of volunteers who were helping in my community services. For example, I organised a Chinese New Year Feast for more than 400 elderlies, and I was responsible for managing more than 100 volunteers and assigning roles for them. It was a remarkable experience in my life of organizing community services. Through acting as different roles in various community services, without any doubts, I enhanced a lot in my leadership as well as the organizational skills.

These two years, I am more focused on the promotion of volunteerism in Hong Kong. Therefore, I joined the Hong Kong Outstanding Youth Volunteer Scheme this year. The scheme allowed me to acquire more knowledge on the development of Volunteer Movement in Hong Kong. Acting as an ambassador, I visited different NGOs in Hong Kong and even in Penang, Malaysia. We learnt from others on how to develop a better volunteering system.

Other than the promotion of volunteerism, I am also working in the Student Take Initiative Rally (STIR), which is an organization promoting public concern in the topic "Volunteer Responsibilities". We organized a conference for young volunteers about the topic in 2016. With the past experiences in direct service, I become more critical on how to organize a good community service. I realised that there should be more to learn and more to know before serving our target groups. Many people think that they can be a good volunteer simply by enthusiasm and heart. However, I think that they sometimes are doing harm when serving. For instance, the number of orphans is increasing in Cambodia these years, due to the increased number of "voluntourism". Therefore, we have the responsibility to learn how to serve and how to be a good volunteer. "Don't do harm, do good" is my ultimate goal during my community services now.

Last but not least, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the CUHK Convocation for recognizing my effort in volunteerism. It is so encouraging to receive the award that it gives me

huge confidence in continuing my work in promotional work of volunteerism and volunteer responsibilities. I will continue to make positive impact to other volunteers and our community. Let's do good to make our world a better place.



(the fourth one from the right)

I work with my friends in STIR and we organized a “Youth Service Conference” in November 2016 to promote and discuss the issues concerning volunteer responsibilities.



(the left one)

I volunteered as a MC in the Student & Youth Volunteering Award Presentation Ceremony organized by the Social Welfare Department. On the same day, I was awarded the Hong Kong Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award.