

## Towngas awarded The Hong Kong Volunteer Award - Corporate Award

(23 January 2020) The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited (Towngas) was awarded the Corporate Award in The Eighth Hong Kong Volunteer Award (HKVA) organised by the Agency for Volunteer Service in recognition of its efforts and achievements in promoting staff as well as management participation in volunteering service.

Committed to social welfare, Towngas established the Towngas Volunteer Service Team back in 1999. To further promote the ethos of giving back to society and contributing to the community, the Towngas Customer Volunteer Team was also established in 2005 to include its customers in the Company's efforts in caring for the community. Towngas endeavours to foster a partnership with various sectors of the society through volunteering work targeting to promote a civil and caring community.

Mr Alfred Chan Wing-kin, Towngas Managing Director, is encouraged by the honour. "Towngas Volunteer Service Team has served numerous disadvantaged groups and collaborated with countless charitable organisations, garnering multiple awards along the way. Towngas launched the innovative "Chef Anchor" volunteering programme in 2017 to aid the elderly who suffer from Mild Cognitive Impairment, which has received seven awards from Hong Kong and beyond. That reflects the wide recognition of Towngas' drive for innovative volunteering services that evolve with the times," he said.

Held once every two years, the HKVA is a large-scale city-wide event that aims to raise public awareness on volunteering and promote sustainable development of quality volunteer activities. The judging panel selects corporate winners on the basis of contributions and achievements of corporate volunteers, volunteer recognition and protection, corporate policy and resources input, and special considerations. Nominees are required to attend two rounds of interviews as part of the stringent selection process.

Mr Chan added, "Towngas takes into account the strengths of both the corporation and the volunteers when devising its volunteer services in order to help all parties put their strengths to good use to best target the needs of the community. This helps to achieve a win-win-win scenario for the beneficiaries, volunteers, and the society."

Going forward, Towngas' volunteer service will continue to balance innovation with caring for the society. It aims to attract more staff and customers to take part in volunteering and create shared value to foster a warm and inclusive community.

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**Press Photos:** 

## Photo 1:



Mr Alfred Chan Wing-kin (back row, 5<sup>th</sup> from left), Towngas Managing Director, was particularly excited to share the joy of winning this award with members of the Towngas Volunteer Service Team, and commended them for their selfless contribution.

## Photo 2:



Mr Isaac Yeung (middle), Towngas General Manager - Corporate Affairs, receives The Hong Kong Volunteer Award - Corporate Award from Mr Lau Kong-wah, Secretary for Home Affairs.