

"Hair Cutting for the Elderly 2013" to Celebrate International Senior Citizen's Day and Promote Care and Support for the Elderly

(18 November 2013) To celebrate the annual International Senior Citizen's Day, Towngas collaborated with the Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions (FTU) to organise "Hair Cutting for the Elderly 2013" at Workers' Children Secondary School in Ho Man Tin on 17 November. Over 100 volunteers from Towngas and the district offices of FTU offered free haircuts to around 800 senior citizens. Towngas Managing Director Alfred Chan and FTU Honorary President and Legislative Councillor Chan Yuen Han took part in the event to promote care and support for the elderly, and to encourage the public to participate in community service. In addition to prize draws and games, Towngas also invited artists to perform a variety of classic oldies and everyone had a great afternoon.

Officiating guests of the event included Towngas Managing Director Alfred Chan, FTU Honorary President and Legislative Councillor Chan Yuen Han, FTU Vice President and Legislative Councillor Wong Kwok Kin, FTU Vice President Chan Yau Hoi, Political Assistant to Secretary for Labour and Welfare Jade Lai, Political Assistant to Secretary for Home Affairs Caspar Tsui. They all praised the volunteers for their excellent hair cutting skills and their enthusiasm to serve the community.

Towngas Managing Director Alfred Chan said, "Towngas considers corporate social responsibility a significant mission of the Company. In addition to safety, which is always on top priority at Towngas, caring for the community is also our corporate culture. We set up Towngas Volunteer Service Team in 1999 and provided free hair cutting service for the elderly from 2001. Towngas Hair Cutting Team was established in 2006 and up to now, it has served more than 12,000 elderly."

All the elderly were satisfied with the volunteers' service. Project Manager of Towngas Volunteer Service Team Kwok Tsz Cheuk said, "Hair Cutting Team offers hair cuts once to 3 times a month. Actually the elderly do not care much about the hair style, they just want to chat with the volunteers."

Towngas always organises a wide range of charity activities for the needy. In addition to hair cutting, we also provide different services for the elderly, such as distribution of long-boiled soup, free photo shooting service, installation of handrails in the residences of the elderly for free, and personal emergency link check-up service for the elderly etc. We also distribute rice dumplings and mooncakes to the elderly to bring joy and warmth during Dragon Boat Festival and Mid-Autumn Festival every year.



We invited Towngas Managing Director Alfred Chan (second from left), FTU Honorary President and Legislative Councillor Chan Yuen Han (centre), FTU Vice President and Legislative Councillor Wong Kwok Kin (first from right) etc as the officiating guests at the event.



Towngas Managing Director Alfred Chan and FTU Honorary President and Legislative Councillor Chan Yuen Han officiated at the event and they praised Towngas volunteers for showing love and care for the elderly.



Towngas volunteers offered hair cutting service for the elderly.

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