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Construction Industry Volunteer Award Presentation Ceremony 2022 **Over 130,000 Volunteering Service Hours Contributed by the Industry**

Hong Kong • 17 July 2022 – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) today held the Construction Industry Volunteer Award Presentation Ceremony 2022 (Ceremony) at CIC-Zero Carbon Park (CIC-ZCP). To mark this special occasion, Mr. TSE Cheong-wo, Edward, Director of Architectural Services and Ir CHENG Ting-ning, Albert, Executive Director of the CIC officiated at the Ceremony to recognise the contribution from construction industry practitioners while fighting against the pandemic.

The CISVP has launched the Construction Industry Volunteer Award Scheme (CIVAS) in 2017 with an aim to recognise contributions from construction practitioners to the community so as to instil a caring culture amongst them. This year, 45 construction-related organisations and 9 NGOs, including government departments, developers, contractors, sub-contractors, labour unions and industry volunteer groups, have participated in the CIVAS, 19,381 volunteers (man-time) contributed over 130,000 service hours this year, a 30,000 hour increase as compared to 2021.

Mr. TSE Cheong-wo, Edward, Director of Architectural Services said that “Being a volunteer is a matter of choice. You have to make effort, and devote time and energy in the services to help those in need. Everyone should not look down on their own strength, and ‘do not fail to do good no matter how petty the deed’. The commitment and contribution of the volunteers in the construction industry is changing the community everyday.”

Ir CHENG Ting-ning, Albert, Executive Director of the CIC added, “Since its establishment, CISVP strives to instil and cultivate a healthy and caring culture in the industry. We hope to further unite the industry by organising various types of sports and volunteering activities every year, showing the enthusiasm of the construction industry to the society. At the same time, we would like to show the public that we, construction practitioners may look cool on the outside, also have a warm and loving heart that cares about the community”.

The Award Presentation recognised outstanding projects, organisations, volunteer teams and individuals participated in the Construction Industry Volunteer Award Scheme. Winner of the Excellence in Construction Industry Volunteering Project helped 1,300 elderly to overcome psychological and physical challenges brought by social distancing measures. Winner of the Excellence in Construction Industry Volunteering Individuals Gold Award, Mr. FAN Kam Shing, is also the convener of the volunteer team of the Drainage Services Department. He actively explores and promotes volunteering opportunity in his workplace

while also successfully facilitated the cross discipline collaboration between construction industry volunteers and Hong Kong Anti-Cancer Society.

Recipients of the Excellence in Construction Industry Volunteering, Excellence in Construction Industry Volunteering Project and Excellence in Construction Industry Volunteering Collaboration (Gold, Silver and Bronze) awards were then invited to share their experience in coordinating volunteering services during the Ceremony. The “Annual CISVP Corporate Award for Activeness” was also presented at the Ceremony, to further encourage companies to actively participate in CISVP activities and organise sports and volunteering programmes for their employees

After the Ceremony, in collaboration with Hong Kong Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service, a mobile blood donation vehicle was arranged inside the CIC-ZCP for blood donation. Members of the public are welcomed to visit the Construction Industry Volunteer Award Scheme exhibition at CIC-ZCP to understand the contributions of the awardees and awarded projects.

This year, the CIC has organised the “Lo Pan Service Month” in May to August, aiming to encourage industry practitioners to manifest Lo Pan’s spirit. The three highlights of “Lo Pan Service Month”, namely Blood Donation Days, Coastal Clean-Up and Lo Pan Rice Distribution, received overwhelming support from industry stakeholders and NGOs. Besides, the CIC and the Hong Kong Construction Association (HKCA) once again join hands and organise the “18 Districts Lo Pan Rice” Campaign from 1 to 31 July 2022, spreading love and care across 18 districts in Hong Kong.

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Mr. TSE Cheong-wo, Edward, Director of Architectural Services officiates the Ceremony



Ir CHENG Ting-ning, Albert, Executive Director of the CIC, expresses gratitude to the industry for their contribution in volunteer work



Representatives from the construction industry and the NGOs share their experience

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About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

Please visit www.cic.hk for further details.

About CISVP

The Construction Industry Sports & Volunteering Programme (CISVP) was established in 2016 with the aim to encourage practitioners' participation in sports programmes and volunteering services. Over 100 activities, including Happy Run, Sports Day and Charity Fun Day, Table Tennis Competition, 5-a-side Football Fun Day and Construction Industry Council Turf Soccer League have been organised since its inception.

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