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# NEWSLETTER

The Official Newsletter of Dream Compassioneers



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Dream Compassioneers

Dream Compassioneers is a joint-school international education and volunteering organisation . It aims to provide schoolchildren in poverty-stricken regions all over the world with daily necessities and opportunities for education, improving their lives in the long term. Dream Compassioneers is a registered charitable body. (IR File No. 91/17842) (Society Ref. No. 1963635)

## VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear friends of Dreams Compassioneers,

In terms of service, Dreams Compassioneers visited Nepal and completed a 7-day service experience trip, we exchanged ideas with local service organizations and visited orphanages. This service journey has further strengthened our commitment to continue on the path of service.

In terms of advocacy, the charity ball was successfully held on April 25 at the Tsim Sha Tsui Community Hall. We would like to thank everyone for their strong support. Additionally, the first preliminary round of the first preliminary round of the 5th Dream Compassioneers Debate Competition was also successfully conducted, and congratulations to the teams that advanced to the second round of the preliminary competition. Furthermore, Dream Compassioneers Model United Nations (DCMUN2025) Delegate Applications Open! Aiming to inspire more students to become future social leaders. We welcome interested students to register and work together to promote the spirit of service. Also, this month features the "Read to Inspire" series, and we invite everyone to check it out to understand the thoughtful sharing from the Chinese University of Hong Kong- Chung Chi The Sun last month.

In addition, Dreams Compassioneers has successfully applied for the 2025-26 HYAB Funding Scheme for International Youth Exchange. We will be traveling to Cambodia for service and exchange activities in August. We would like to express our gratitude to the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau for their recognition and support.

Once again, we thank all sectors of society for their support of the Children's Dream Collaboration. We will continue to work hard and strive to serve children in need!

Sincerely,

Ms. Yau Yuet Sum, Sophia

Vice President of 5th Executive Committee of Dream Compassioneers

## OUR AIMS

- 1 This association aims to provide daily necessities and education opportunities for schoolchildren in poverty-stricken regions all over the world, improving their life in the long term.
- 2 This association strives to raise public awareness of the situation and needs of the poor in poverty-stricken regions, encouraging more capable individuals to lend a helping hand to those in need.
- 3 This association hopes to enrich the organizational and overseas-service-related experience of Hong Kong students. By widening their horizons, this association hopes to foster the all-round growth of students and to nurture future servant leaders.
- 4 This association embraces individuals of various religious backgrounds and political viewpoints, yet does not participate in any religious or political activities.



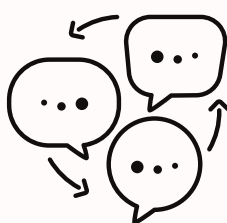
## REPORT ON APRIL ACTIVITIES

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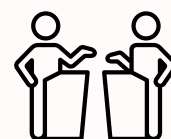


The HYAB Funding Scheme for International Youth Exchange aims to provide funding for non-governmental organisations to organise international exchange projects for local young people so that more in-depth international exchange opportunities will be provided to enable them to widen their global exposure and broaden their international horizons. This year, Dream Compassion successfully applied for the exchange program: "Walking Together in Cambodia, Connecting Hearts" — a Service and Cultural Journey to Cambodia, which will take place in August. We appreciate the recognition from the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau and will soon begin recruitment. We look forward to your participation, and together, we will serve more children!

### The first preliminary round of the 5th Dream Compassion Debate Competition



The first preliminary round of the 5th Dream Compassion Debate Competition was successfully held on 8th, 15th of March and 5th of April. The other matches of the first round of the preliminary competition will also take place on 3rd of May. We appreciate that the judges made time in their hectic schedules to come and assess the event. Students have significantly benefited from this experience. We hope to continue enjoying the debaters' heated exchanges of words and to use the discussions to spread the idea of service.



**CONGRATS!**



## REPORT ON APRIL ACTIVITIES

### Charity Ball



The charity ball organized by the Dream Compassioneers concluded on April 25, 2025. We would like to thank everyone for their support! This event aimed to help participating students better understand the needs of children around the world and the Sustainable Development Goals, encouraging them to contribute to raising awareness about children's issues in society. We successfully raised funds to promote the construction of libraries and water and electricity facilities in Cambodia, as well as charity projects related to local children. During the ball, we showcased an educational promotional video and used the United Nations' seventeen Sustainable Development Goals as the theme for the event. We believe that they will continue to carry this passion to serve those in need in the future. We would like to express our gratitude once again to all the guests for their voluntary performances, as well as to the sponsors for providing flowers and plush toys in support of the charity ball. We believe that students will continue to maintain this enthusiasm and serve more people in need in the future.



### DCMUN2025

**INDIVIDUAL  
DELEGATE  
APPLICATIONS  
OPEN NOW !**

link in bio!

**AVAILABLE COMMITTEES:**  
UNICEF, HRC, ECOSOC

**Date: 18-19/7**

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**EXTENDED TO  
APRIL 30**

**DREAM COMPASSIONEERS**

DEADLINE: April 5

#### [INDIVIDUAL DELEGATE APPLICATIONS]

Dream Compassioneers Model United Nations (DCMUN 2025) Delegate Applications Open. Our DCMUN conference will tentatively be held on the 18-19/7 at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. And the application Deadline: EXTENDED to 30/4/2025 23:59PM, you can sign up via Google Forms (link in Instagram bio).

#### Committees:

Beginner level : UNICEF, HRC

Intermediate level: ECOSOC



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# REPORT ON APRIL ACTIVITIES

## "Dream Compassioneers" Nepal Service Learning Journey – Exchange with Red Cross on Shelter Services, Embassy Visit to Understand Development Initiatives

The "Dream Compassioneers" team has just completed a seven-day service learning journey and returned to Hong Kong. The team departed in late April, first stopping in Kunming before arriving in Nepal for the service trip. In Kunming, they visited the National Southwestern Associated University—a temporary institution formed during the Sino-Japanese War by Peking University, Tsinghua University, and Nankai University—learning about the resilience and dedication to education during challenging times. They then flew to Kathmandu, Nepal's capital, to begin their service journey.

As Executive Director Ms. Or Ka Ying Ice, who planned the trip, noted: "Providing service and aiding children in need is the mission of Dream Compassioneers. This journey has been incredibly rewarding, and we hope to lead even larger teams in the future to make greater contributions."

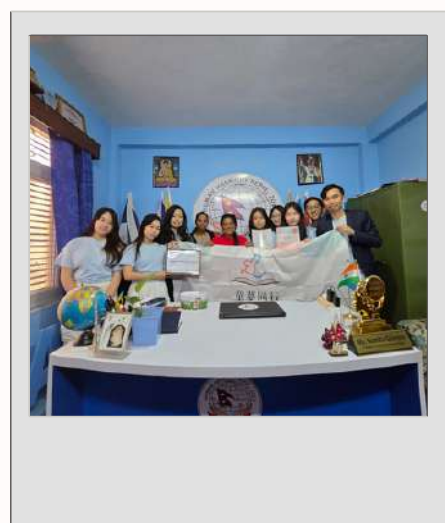


## Exchanges with Service Organizations & Orphanage Visits



Dream Compassioneers" engaged with Human Harmony Nepal, the Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS), and the Danish Red Cross Country Office in Nepal, gaining insights into local conditions and service programs. Notably, the Nepal Red Cross Society boasts over one million registered members and more than 100,000 active volunteers.

"The team met with Namita, Director of Human Harmony Nepal, Mr. Ashok Karki, Director of Junior and Youth Red Cross Department at NRCS, and Mr. David Fodgen, Country Cluster Manager at Danish Red Cross in Nepal, to discuss future service collaborations. Executive Director Ms. Ice Or and Ng Wai Kiu (Iris), a Dream Compassioneers representative from Yan Chai Hospital Law Chan Chor Si College (supported by the CLAP@JC Scholarship), shared the organization's service initiatives. Iris expressed: "I'm grateful to Dream Compassioneers and The Jockey Club for this opportunity, which has enriched my service experience. I'm committed to helping more people in need in the future."



Dream Compassioneers team with the Executive Director of Human Harmony Nepal.



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The team also visited **The Orphans Home**, a shelter caring for abandoned children. Members from Yan Chai Hospital Law Chan Chor Si College, including Adelin Lin Ho Yan (President of the Dream Compassioneers Club) and Tethys Lam (Committee Member), along with Jaymee Wat (Subsidiary Committee Member from Sha Tin College), helped collect and deliver supplies. Dream Compassioneers also donated funds to support the shelter's operations.

Ms. Chloe Wong Sze Kiu, SCMP Student of the Year (Community Contributor) and Chairperson of the Executive Committee (studying Early Childhood Education at CUHK), led interactive activities with the children, singing and dancing together. The farewell was emotional, with many moved to tears. Ms. Nicole Chan Wai Lam, former President of the Hong Kong Red Cross University Club, who previously visited a Red Cross shelter in Nepal, reflected: "The children's smiles and hugs deeply touched me, strengthening my resolve to continue serving."

Founder Mr. Chan Yik Yeung shared: "This experience reminded me of the profound, genuine connections formed during shelter visits." Ms. Bobo Wong Suet Ying, a registered social worker who previously volunteered in Cambodia, added: "Every service trip reaffirms my purpose—to make a difference in society."



DREAM COMPASSIONEERS TEAM AT THE ORPHANS HOME IN NEPAL.



DREAM COMPASSIONEERS TEAM AT THE CHINESE EMBASSY IN NEPAL.

### Visit to the Chinese Embassy: Understanding Local Development

The team also had the honor of visiting the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Nepal. Through an introduction by representative Ms. Gong Xu, they learned about Sino-Nepalese collaborations in sports, arts, and education, including initiatives like Nepal's dragon boat team and Confucius Institutes.

As the two nations celebrate 70 years of diplomatic relations, their "strategic partnership for generations of friendship toward development and prosperity" continues to flourish. The visit highlighted China's contributions to Nepal, particularly under the Belt and Road Initiative. Charlie Lin Kai Chun, a CUHK Global Business student returning to Nepal for the second time, remarked: "This trip deepened my understanding of China's aid projects here and inspired me to further serve developing nations, fostering international goodwill." The restoration of earthquake-damaged UNESCO heritage sites like Durbar Square by Chinese experts left a lasting impression.

### Acknowledgments

Dream Compassioneers extends heartfelt thanks to Mr. Lam Foo Wah of the High Fashion Charitable Foundation for sponsorship, as well as Mr. Willy Ooi, Prof. Wilson Chan Fung Cheung, and other community leaders for their support. Special gratitude to Mr. Apulal Awale, President of the Nepal Chinese Guide Association, for his warm hospitality.

**"We, as Hong Kong students, will strive harder to serve those in need worldwide."**

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April 27, 2025





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**"Dream Compassioneers" Nepal Service Learning Journey –  
Exchange with Red Cross on Shelter Services, Embassy Visit to Understand Development Initiatives**

### Sharing from our subsidiary committee member

**NG WAI KIU**

During this journey, our team visited the Chinese Embassy in Nepal, an orphanage, Human Harmony Nepal, the Red Cross, as well as cultural sites such as the cremation temple and Durbar Square. These experiences enriched me greatly, and I am grateful to Dream Compassioneer for providing this opportunity, which has benefited me immensely.

Among these experiences, the three most memorable places are as follows. First, the most unforgettable moment was at the orphanage. I saw many children who had lost their parents. Despite the hardships and limited resources locally, they still displayed remarkable optimism and resilience, greeting us with smiles. We danced with the children and communicated even though we spoke different languages.

Through these interactions, I deeply understood how precious the warmth of family is. This made me more grateful for my own life, realize the importance of cherishing those around me, and find a greater sense of purpose in serving others.



Second, during our exchange with Human Harmony Nepal and listening to the founder's sharing, I felt the joy of helping others. I heard about various contributions that have brought positive changes to the local community in Nepal.

Third, the experience with the Red Cross allowed me to deeply understand the meaning of humanitarianism. Their selfless dedication and spirit of rescue others are truly admirable. When facing natural disasters like earthquakes, their courage and determination demonstrated to me that there are many values worth learning, such as compassion, respect, and altruism.

This trip to Nepal has made me more aware of my own responsibilities and mission. The hardships of life have taught me to be grateful, and I realize that even small actions of mine can influence others and bring about change in society and even the world. I am thankful for every person I met during the journey; their stories have broadened my horizons. I hope that in the future, I will continue to walk the path of service, pursue my passion for serving others, and maintain a grateful attitude in life!







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### Sharing from our subsidiary committee member

#### LAM TETHYS

First of all, I would like to sincerely thank Dream Compassioneer for giving me this opportunity to exchange in Nepal, a very special country. I had heard about this place for a long time and initially felt quite scared, but in fact, it is not scary at all. On the contrary, the people here are very warm-hearted. During this trip, we visited the local Red Cross, Human Harmony, the Chinese Embassy in Nepal, and an orphanage, experiencing the local people's way of life.

The most unforgettable part was the orphanage. As soon as I stepped through the gate, I saw their friendly smiles and warm welcomes. During the visit, I could see that their lives must be quite difficult—simple accommodations and narrow rooms. Fortunately, many kind-hearted people have donated supplies to them, such as beds and kitchen utensils. Under the guidance of the director's mother, I learned more about the background of the orphanage. Seeing how they strive to live despite such tough conditions, and how each day is filled with positive energy, made me feel very heartened. During our interactions, we danced and chatted with them. When it was time to say goodbye, we parted reluctantly after a short time together. This visit truly made me realize the significance of service. It has only increased my passion for serving, both in terms of personal growth and my dedication to helping others. Through this journey, I will work even harder to gather supplies, raise funds, and try to help more people from different places, hoping to improve their lives as much as I can.



Besides visiting the orphanage and understanding the meaning of service, listening to the introductions from the Red Cross and Human Harmony leaders also made me realize that there are many ways to serve. They all dedicate their time and spirit selflessly to help more people. I believe that if everyone contributes even a small amount of their strength, it can lead to significant change.



This encounter has broadened my horizons and greatly benefited my path of service. Gaining more understanding of Nepal means I can help them more effectively. I hope to plan more different kinds of service projects in the future to help various people. I will also continue to serve with gratitude—helping those around me and the world. I look forward to having more opportunities to learn and grow in different places.



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# Online Talk - Read to Inspire



**READ TO INSPIRE**

**32 RECAP ONLINE TALK**

Speaker: "Cloud Sun Service Team" from the Student Union of The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Theme: Happiness Can Be This Simple - Sri Lanka Volunteer Teaching Trip 2024.

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Last month, we were honored to invite the "Cloud Sun Service Team" from the Student Union of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, as guest speakers for the 32nd regular online seminar.

"Passion to Talk, Talk To Inspire" presenting on the topic "Happiness Can Be This Simple - Sri Lanka Volunteer Teaching Trip 2024."

**READ TO INSPIRE**

The speakers vividly described their experiences and observations during their volunteer teaching trip in Sri Lanka, including the living conditions and cultural customs of the local residents, as well as heartwarming and amusing anecdotes of interacting with the local children. This volunteer teaching activity not only provided more learning opportunities for the local children, allowing them to experience Hong Kong's local culture, but also actively promoted the spirit of service, encouraging more people to care for vulnerable communities.

While teaching the local children knowledge, the volunteer team members also learned from them the simple joy and passion for life. In addition, the speakers shared the difficulties they encountered during the process and how they solved them, such as whether they experienced acclimatization issues or language communication problems.

This seminar hopes to encourage more people to participate in volunteer service, experience life in different cultural contexts, and gain a sense of accomplishment and happiness from serving others. By sharing their experiences in Sri Lanka, the Cloud Sun Service Team hopes to inspire more people to care about society and spread the spirit of service to a wider community.

Finally, we sincerely thank the representatives of the organization for their thoughtful sharing, and thank you all again for your attendance. Our next seminar will be held soon, so stay tuned!

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