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Standard Chartered's corporate clients donate near HKD20 million to subsidise subdivided unit households to pay rent

Joint hands to ride through the storms with the underprivileged

26 May 2020, Hong Kong – Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited (“Standard Chartered Hong Kong”) and **the Hong Kong Council of Social Service** (“HKCSS”) has launched a programme to subsidise families living in subdivided units to pay rent in late April. The initial quota of 2,000 was taken up in three days. To help alleviate the unexpected financial burdens for more families, Standard Chartered commenced a second phase of donations and invited its corporate clients and partners to contribute. The Bank has committed to match the donations up to HKD10 million.

The collective efforts in the past three weeks have paid off, with the Bank's corporate clients and partners pledging to donate near HKD20 million (See Appendix) to support the programme. Including Standard Chartered's earlier donation of HKD10 million and the HKD10 million donation matching commitment, the programme has raised almost HKD40 million, benefiting more families.

Mary Huen, CEO, Standard Chartered, Hong Kong, said: “We have received generous donations from our corporate clients and partners since the launch of the programme, demonstrating the care for the distressed, low-income families by the community. Hong Kong is facing unprecedented challenge. Apart from providing the usual business support to our clients, Standard Chartered would also like to join hands with our clients and partners to provide timely assistance to the underprivileged during this difficult period. We sincerely thank our corporate clients and partners for pitching in to get Hong Kong through the pandemic.”

Chua Hoi-Wai, Chief Executive, HKCSS, said: “The generous support from Standard

Chartered and its corporate clients and partners has demonstrated that the Hong Kong business sector is willing to bear the social responsibility and help the underprivileged to get through the hard times. We hope that more corporates would be able to extend their helping hands, offering more supports in different ways to those impacted by the pandemic.”

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The Hong Kong Council of Social Service (HKCSS)

Established in 1947, HKCSS works to promote a just and inclusive society by promoting collaborative efforts among NGOs in service planning and development, facilitating cross-sectoral partnership, advocating equality, justice, social integration and a caring community. The Council has now become an umbrella organisation of over 480 Agency Members that provide quality social welfare services for those in need through 3,000 service units all over Hong Kong.

Appendix

Corporate donors (In alphabetical order)

B.S.C. Group Limited	恒威企業集團有限公司
Euroworld Group	Euroworld Group
Firstexp Import And Export Limited	快捷進出口有限公司
Fortune Astral Limited	星富有限公司
Friend Kong Limited	朋晴有限公司
HKT Limited	香港電訊有限公司
Hui Hoy & Chow Sin Lan Charity Fund Limited	許海周倩蘭慈善基金有限公司
Jacobson Pharma Corporation Limited	雅各臣科研製藥有限公司
Johnson Electric Holdings Limited	德昌電機控股有限公司
Kaifatco Trading Co., Ltd.	啟發高貿易有限公司
Kong Fook Woollen Knitting Fty Ltd	港福毛織廠有限公司
KPMG China	畢馬威中國
Lai Sun Group	麗新集團
Lei Shing Hong Limited	利星行有限公司
Leo Paper Group (Hong Kong) Ltd.	利奧紙品集團(香港)有限公司
Lifestyle International Holdings Limited	利福國際集團有限公司
Liu Chong Hing Investment Limited	廖創興企業有限公司
Manulife	宏利
Mou Fung Limited	茂豐有限公司
Ng Teng Fong Charitable Foundation	黃廷方慈善基金
Pioneer Global Group Limited	建生國際集團有限公司
Slaughter and May	司力達律師樓
Sun Hung Kai Properties Limited	新鴻基地產發展有限公司
The Swire Group Charitable Trust	太古集團慈善信託基金
Tsang, Chan & Wong	Tsang, Chan & Wong
Wida Textiles Limited	威達棉業有限公司
Wing Tai Properties Limited	永泰地產有限公司
Wise Industrial Company Ltd.	威仕實業有限公司
Wong's Kong King Int'l (Holdings) Ltd.	王氏港建國際(集團)有限公司