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Ronald McDonald House Charities Hong Kong Gala Dinner 2025 Successfully Concluded

Sam Hui Surprises with Appearance, Raising Over HK\$4.4 million Funds to Continuously Support Services for Families of Sick Children

[October 22, 2025, Hong Kong] Ronald McDonald House Charities Hong Kong (RMHC Hong Kong) held the RMHC Hong Kong Gala Dinner 2025 on October 19 at the Kerry Hotel Hong Kong. This year's dinner, themed "A Wish for Peace," symbolized sending wishes of peace and resilience to families with critically ill children. The event brought together over 370 compassionate supporters, raising over HK\$4.4 million to support the daily operations of RMHC Hong Kong. Through its "family-centered care" service, the organization helps sick children and their families navigate their most challenging times.

Meaningful Theme Conveying Wishes of Peace

The theme "A Wish for Peace" draws inspiration from the traditional Chinese cultural symbolism of bamboo, representing resilience and safety, while also incorporating the panda as a symbol of peace and love. This resonates with RMHC Hong Kong's 29-year mission of providing steadfast support to families of sick children. The venue was adorned with bamboo and panda-themed decorations, with adorable panda accents creating a warm and hopeful atmosphere. This symbolizes how every act of donation, like bamboo taking root and pandas spreading warmth, brings strength and comfort to families facing medical challenges.

Advancing Toward the 30th Anniversary Milestone, Continuing the Mission of Protecting Families

Ms. Grace Fung Oei Wan Chi, Member of the RMHC Global Board of Trustees and Chairperson of the RMHC Hong Kong Board of Directors, expressed emotionally in her address, "We offer more than just a bed; we provide a warm space where families can stay

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close while their child battles illness." She further noted, "As RMHC Hong Kong marks 29 years of service in the city, the Kwun Tong House has provided over 24,000 nights of accommodation to hundreds of families. Next year, we will celebrate our 30th anniversary milestone." She also emphasized, "We extend our gratitude to McDonald's for 50 years of innovative fundraising efforts that have brought hope to families with sick children, and we thank all donors, volunteers, and partners for their trust, which serves as our strongest support on this journey."

Lam Family Shares Heartwarming and Inspiring Stories

In the warm ambiance of the dinner, the "Sponsor-a-Family" session invited the Lam family, former residents of RMHC Hong Kong, to share their heartfelt experiences at the House. Father Ferris recounted the challenges of his daughter's leukemia treatment: "Every time I accompanied Esther through her bone marrow aspirations, watching her brave the pain with a smile despite her young age, her strength became the warmest source of comfort for our entire family."

Mother Cecilia shared her experience at the House: "Taking care of three children alone is never easy, and I often found myself overwhelmed. But the parents at the House always stepped in to help, whether it was preparing meals or grocery shopping. More importantly, they were always willing to listen and share insights on caring for a sick child." She added, "Here, we have a group of 'companions on the same journey.' The mutual understanding, the connection that requires just a glance—it left a deep impression on me." The two young sisters joyfully added that their favorite part of the House was the playroom, where they could play together with a variety of toys. The Lam family's sincere sharing allowed guests to deeply feel the warmth and support the House provides—it is not just a temporary residence, but a 'big family' built on love and understanding.

Gathering of Love, Legacy of Charity

Hong Kong music legend Mr. Sam Hui attended the dinner as a guest. In response to the enthusiastic support from donors, who generously contributed for the rare opportunity to

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sing on stage with the "God of Songs," Mr. Hui interacted warmly with multiple donors and performed several classic songs, lifting the atmosphere to a climax. This segment alone raised over HK\$800,000, successfully turning moving melodies into tangible acts of charity.

The dinner also featured diverse fundraising activities. The highlight was the live auction hosted by Ms. Sara Mao, Director of Christie's Education Asia Pacific, including artwork co-created by former House residents and volunteers. The online silent auction offered over thirty donated items for bidding, while the concluding lucky draw awarded fifty-two exquisite prizes, bringing the joyous atmosphere to a peak and fully demonstrating the steadfast support from all sectors for families of sick children. The dinner concluded successfully in a warm and touching ambiance. This collective power of love will be transformed into tangible support for families of sick children, allowing the "home away from home" to continue bringing warmth and hope to those in need.



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1. Board members of RMHC Hong Kong and the Gala Dinner Committee raise a toast together, expressing heartfelt gratitude to all attending guests.



2. Students and instructors of Rainbow Melody kick off the evening with a spectacular performance, showcasing the artistic talents of the younger generation.

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3. Ms. Grace Fung Oei Wai Chi, Member of the RMHC Global Board of Trustees and Chairperson of the RMHC Hong Kong Board of Directors, delivers a speech thanking all sectors for their ongoing support.



4. The Lam family sincerely shares their heartwarming experience staying at the Ronald McDonald House, moving all the guests present.

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5. Esther and her younger sister Emma attend to support the Ronald McDonald House Charities Hong Kong Gala Dinner 2025.



6. Music legend Mr. Sam Hui performs on stage with generous donors, spreading warmth and hope through song.

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7. Ms. Sara Mao, Director of Christie's Education Asia Pacific, hosts the charity auction to raise funds for families with sick children.

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About RMHC Hong Kong

RMHC Hong Kong has always upheld its founding mission of providing “Family-Centred Care” to support ill children and their families. Operating in over 60 countries and regions, RMHC’s first House in Asia was established in Shatin in 1996, offering a “Home Away from Home” for families in need.

As the core program of RMHC Hong Kong, Ronald McDonald House provides temporary accommodation and psychosocial support to alleviate the stress and burden on families caused by their child’s illness. With the funding support of The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, our second House—RMHC (Kwun Tong) Jockey Club Building—officially opened in November 2023 to extend our services to more families in need.

RMHC Hong Kong is a tax-exempt charity under Section 88 of the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Ordinance and a member of the Hong Kong Council of Social Services.

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