

The Samaritans Annual Report

2018-2019

SAMARITANS

The background is a vibrant orange with faint, stylized white question marks. In the center, the word "SAMARITANS" is written in large, 3D block letters that are yellow on top and black on the bottom. Surrounding the letters are various small illustrations of people in different situations: a man and a woman holding hands, an elderly couple with a cane, a person in a wheelchair, a woman with a dog, a person with a cane, a person running, a person with a soccer ball, a person with a briefcase, and several other individuals in various poses. The overall theme is one of support and community.

撒瑪利亞會

The Samaritans 24 Hour Multi-Lingual
Suicide Prevention Services

24小時中文及多種語言防止自殺服務



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Congratulatory Message from Chief Secretary

政務司司長勵語



撒瑪利亞會四十五周年誌慶

廣揚關愛
扶助社羣

政務司司長張建宗



Congratulatory Message from Secretary for Labour and Welfare

勞工及福利局局長勵語



撒瑪利亞會四十五周年誌慶

The 45th Anniversary of The Samaritans

*Warmest congratulations on
your outstanding achievements
in promoting love and care
in the community*

仁賢協德
恤困扶羣

勞工及福利局局長羅致光



Dr Law Chi-kwong
Secretary for Labour and Welfare

Message from the Chair of the Board of Directors

董事會主席的話



We are celebrating our 45th Anniversary of serving persons in distress or with suicidal tendencies in Hong Kong. I would like to highlight some of our many activities during this busy but impactful year.

I am grateful to all the donors and funders for their generous support during the year. I would like to express our gratitude to The Community Chest and PCCW for their continuous support to us for operating the 24-hour Multilingual Hotline Service. I would like to especially thank The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust and Fu Tak lam Foundation Limited for funding our youth projects which came to a fruitful conclusion. Nevertheless, financial support is crucial to our organization in sustaining the activities of our centre. This year, thanks to all the supporters, our donations reach the level of HK\$542,908. Their support is very much appreciated by all of us working for suicide prevention in Hong Kong.

Our "Supporting The Aged Responsibly" (STAR) Programme and the "Young Samaritans Peer Support Programme" (YSPSP) continued to thrive during the year. Thanks to our very devoted volunteers, our sessions for the elderly and youngsters in the community were very well received and kept improving in number, variety and topics covered. In order to expand and enhance these meaningful programmes, a proposal integrating the essential elements of both was devised and accepted by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Trust. I anticipate the kick-off preparation of the proposed project to be accomplished during the time when this message is published.

During the year, three training courses were held. A total of 39 potential volunteers successfully completed the courses and served on our hotline. I would like to thank our training team members, Ms. Sandy Corrie, Ms. Jin Huang and Ms. Gillian Bentley for their coordination to put together these important courses, and other many volunteers for leading different sessions in the curriculum.

On 2nd November 2018, Mr. Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, GBM, GBS, JP, Chief Secretary for Administration, visited our centre and shared our works. He expressed genuine care and support for the work of The Samaritans and was surprised by the small amount of funding available to support the organization. Mr. Cheung suggested possibilities for The Samaritans to acquire resources and venue. Further follow-up with his office was expected.

Mrs. Liz Chamberlain, who held the position of Director (previous title for Chief Executive) and Chair of the Board of The Samaritans in the past visited Hong Kong in February 2019. Liz visited the office and treated staff members a very enjoyable lunch, during which old mirth and snuffles were well recalled and pondered over.

Mrs. Jackie Fletcher stepped down as the Interim Chief Executive in March 2019, and the volunteers elected Ms. Karman Leung to take up the position of Chief Executive as of April 2019. I would like to thank Jackie for her excellent service to the Centre while congratulating Karman being the new Chief Executive.

In November 2018, our first Chief Operating Officer Mr. David Cheng began to report for duty. David has been an experienced NGO management practitioner for more than 26 years and has managed more than 14 NGOs in the past. With his on boarding, I am indeed looking forward to his successful supervision of our staff team, the betterment of our centre operation as well as further development of new services striving for the very major mission of suicide prevention.

To conclude, I would like to congratulate all the Board members for their dedication to and support for The Samaritans. I would like to thank our Administration Manager, Ms. Hedriun Fung and Administration Officer Ms. Suela Tang for maintaining seamless and smooth daily operation of our centre. Last but not least, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to all fellow SAMs,

who have been working so hard to provide our core hotline service 365 days a year, 7 days a week and round the clock 24 hours per day!

Prof. George Woo
Chairman of the Board of Directors

今年，撒瑪利亞會慶祝成立 45 周年，為香港有自殺傾向者及絕望者服務。在此向大家簡報在這繁忙並影響深遠的一年，我們取得的重點進展。

感謝所有撥款機構和捐助者在這一年的慷慨資助。衷心感謝香港公益金和電訊盈科對本會 24 小時多語言電話熱線服務的持續支持。至誠感激香港賽馬會慈善信託基金和傅德隆基金有限公司為我們的青年項目提供撥款；這些項目經過近幾年的努力，取得了豐碩的成果。眾所皆知，財務支持對本會維持中心運作至關重要。今年，在所有支持者的支持下，我們的捐款總額達到了 542,908 港幣。謹代表本會所有義工致以由衷的謝意。

年內，本會「星伴流金—護老關愛計劃」和「友伴同行生命互助計劃」繼續蓬勃發展。多虧本會非常投入的義工，我們為社區內的長者和年青人舉辦的活動得到了熱烈歡迎；並在數量、種類和主題方面不斷增善。為了擴大和加強這些有意義的計劃，本會結合了兩個計劃的元素，提出了一個新服務項目建議，並獲香港賽馬會信託基金撥款支持。我希望在此簡報發布之時就可以完成擬議項目的啟動準備工作。

年內，本會舉辦了三期義工培訓課程。總計 39 位準義工成功完成了課程並在本會熱線服務。感謝本會培訓團隊成員 Sandy Corrie 女士，Jin Huang 小姐和 Gillian Bentley 小姐協調這些重要的課程，以及一眾義工於課程中各個環節的協作。

2018 年 11 月 2 日，特別感謝香港特別行政區政務司司長，張建宗先生大鑒蒞臨，GBS，JP 參觀了本會中心，並瞭解了我們的工作。他對本會的工作表示真誠的關心和支持，並對於本會僅有的少量資源表示驚訝。張司長提到了本會獲得場地和更多資源的可能，並鼓勵我們與他的辦公室進一步跟進。

過去曾擔任本會董事會主席及總監的 Liz Chamberlain 女士於 2019 年 2 月回港遊覽。Liz 探訪了中心辦公室，並宴請員工，共進了非常愉快的午餐，回味了當年本會經歷的苦樂憂喜。

Jackie Fletcher 女士於 2019 年 3 月卸任署任總監；由 2019 年 4 月起，本會義務總監一職由義工們選出的梁嘉文小姐擔任。我要感謝 Jackie 期間的出色服務，並祝賀梁嘉文小姐成為新任總監。

2018 年 11 月，本會首任營運總監鄭頌先生履新。鄭先生是一位經驗豐富的非政府機構管理從業者，擁有 26 年以上的經驗；過去曾於超過 14 間非政府機構任職。我期待鄭先生能妥善帶領我們的員工團隊；增善我們中心的運作；並進一步發展新的服務，以實現防止自殺這一重要使命。

最後，我要感謝所有董事會成員對本會的奉獻和支持。感謝本會行政經理馮淑儀女士和行政主任鄧玉琼女士維持了我們中心無縫順暢的日常運作。最後並最重要的，我要對本會所有義工表示最深切的謝意，義工們一直辛勤工作，每年 365 日、每週 7 天、每天 24 小時不間斷地提供本會的多語言電話熱線服務，為香港有自殺傾向者及絕望者帶來曙光！

胡志城教授
董事會主席



Message from the Chief Executive

總監的話



2019 marks the 45th anniversary of The Samaritans in Hong Kong. It is a great privilege to celebrate this day with all of you.

At the beginning of every training course, we tell the story of our humble beginning, of how Mr. Andrew Tu and Dr. Elsie Tu met Rev. Chad Varah and founded the first overseas chapter. It is the result of over 1,500 volunteers' and numerous potential volunteers' continual commitment, manning the hotline 24 hours a day since our first day, that brings us to where we are today. I am deeply grateful to all volunteers who have given their time and energy to care for people in our community who may be in despair, distress or with suicidal tendencies.

Some volunteers went on to support our other services in addition to their hotline duties. They facilitated a bilingual befriending email service, ran three training courses, mentored new potential volunteers, completed the 12th Young Samaritans Peer Support Programme (YSPSP), delivered a record breaking number of talks for the Supporting The Aged Responsibly (STAR) programme and participated in other Outreach work.

Two volunteers represented us at the International Conference for Suicide Prevention in March held by The Samaritans of Thailand. It was an opportunity to exchange ideas and conversations on the work we do and challenges we face in today's society. We hoped to bring the community together and broaden their understanding on the basis of suicide prevention.

Amongst the many programs we have, it was unfortunate and a difficult decision to put the support group for People Bereaved by Suicide on hold due to a lack of suitable venue. We are aware of the demand for this service and aim to re-establish the group in the not so distant future.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Mrs. Jackie Fletcher, our Interim Chief Executive from August 2017 to March 2019, for her leadership and for giving us an enormous amount of time supporting the hotline, volunteers and leaders.

I also have to thank the Board, the Executive Committee and Leaders for their hard work and invaluable advice.

I am indebted to our staff, Mr. David Cheng, without whom we would not be able to grow as an organisation; to Ms. Hedriun Fung and Ms. Suela Tang, for managing our day-to-day operation and keeping the centre running smoothly; and Auntie Choi and Auntie Ming Chu who kept our centre clean and tidy. I look forward to working with our new staff members, Counsellor, Ms. Alanie Wong and Programme Officer, Ms. Christine Chow, to develop our new programmes.

My heartfelt appreciation to our supporters, donors and sponsors, who have supported us in various ways including fundraising, goods and services and food. Their generosity is great encouragement to us.

The years ahead will be exciting and challenging at the same time as we begin our new The Samaritans Jockey Club "Life is Beautiful" Intergenerational Programme funded by the Jockey Club, drawing from our experience with YSPSP and STAR and bringing our youth and older people, both vulnerable groups in our society, together in a pioneer project. Special thanks to everyone who made this possible.

Your passion is inspirational.

Karman Leung
Chief Executive

2019 年是香港撒瑪利亞會成立 45 週年，我很榮幸能與大家一起慶祝這一個里程碑。

在每次培訓課程之始，我們都會講述香港撒瑪利亞會創會的卑微故事：即杜學魁先生與杜葉錫恩博士如何會見 Chad Varah 牧師，並在香港建立了第一個撒瑪利亞會的海外分會。本會從第一天開始，每天提供 24 小時熱線服務一實在有賴 1,500 多名義工和眾多準義工的努力不懈，我們才能達致今天的成果。對於所有義工無私地付出時間和精力來照顧我們社區中處於絕望、窘迫及有自殺傾向的人，我深表感謝。

義工除了熱線服務外，同時支援本會多項服務計劃。他們提供了中英語的電郵服務；每年舉辦三期義工培訓課程，不斷培養準義工生力軍；完成了第十二屆「友伴同行生命互勉計劃」（YSPSP）；又為「星伴流金—護老關愛計畫」（STAR）舉行的講座次數更新紀錄；也參加各項外展工作。

本會兩名義工代表參加了 2019 年 3 月泰國撒瑪利亞會舉辦的防止自殺國際會議，分享我們的事工和面對的社會挑戰。會議提供了對話和交流意見的機會，我們希望能藉此讓社群走在一起，加深大家對防止自殺的認識。

在服務發展方面，由於缺乏合適的場地，我們忍痛暫時擱置了「自殺者親友情緒支援小組」。然而，我們意識到這項服務的需求，會爭取在不久將來重新啟動這項有意義的服務。

在此，我想衷心感謝 2017 年 8 月至 2019 年 3 月期間擔任臨時總監的 Jackie Fletcher 女士。她無私地領導本會，奉獻不倦的精神時間支援熱線、義工們和各位義工領袖。

我要感謝董事會，執行委員會和義工領袖的辛勤工作和寶貴的建議。

此外，我要感謝我們的員工，鄭頌先生，為本會的發展不斷努力；感謝馮淑儀女士和鄧玉琮女士，他們協助維持本會的日常運作，保持服務平穩運行；感謝彩姐及明珠姐保持中心整潔。我亦期待著與我們的新員工合作：輔導經理王灝安女士和程序主任周梓琦小姐，開展我們新的計劃。

我衷心感謝本會的支持者、捐贈者和贊助者：他們以各種方式支持我們，包括籌款、捐贈物品、提供專業服務和食品。他們的慷慨支持大大地鼓舞了我們。

來年將是令人興奮和充滿挑戰的年代！我們將會開展由香港賽馬會慈善信託基金資助的「撒瑪利亞賽馬會跨代關愛生命計劃」。這計劃融匯了 YSPSP 和 STAR 的經驗，並將其中的兩個主要服務對象：青年人和老年人匯聚互動，是一項既創新又傳承的項目。特別感謝所有為這項目努力的同工。

您們的熱誠投入充滿感染力。

梁嘉文小姐
總監





Hour Multi-lingual Suicide Prevention Hotline and Befriending Email

小時多種語言熱線電話及電郵服務



Hotline Service 熱線服務

Last year, we received a total number of 30,511 calls. On average, we received about 2,543 calls each month or 84 calls a day. The number of calls received has increased compared with the previous year.

上個年度，我們共收到 30,511 個求助電話，即每月平均為 2,543 個，每日平均為 84 個，來電數目與去年對比有所增長。



Number of calls
求助電話

30,511

Monthly average
每月平均

2,543

Daily average
每日平均

84

Language 來電語言



Male 男性
10,547

English 英文 2,844
Chinese 中文 7,656
Other 其他 47



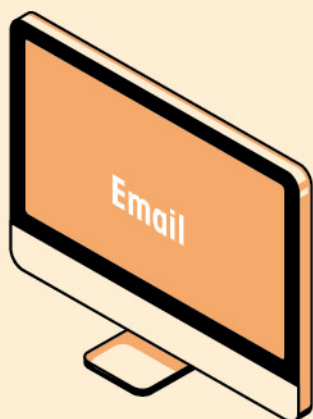
Female 女性
8,162

English 英文 2,113
Chinese 中文 5,974
Other 其他 75



Silent callers
沉默來電
11,802

Email Service 電郵服務



A total of 1,027 befriending emails were replied, including 903 English emails and 124 emails in Chinese. On average, we sent out 86 emails per month to those who approached us by email.

我們亦回覆了 1,027 封求助電郵，其中英文電郵佔 903 封，中文電郵則佔 124 封，每月平均為 86 封電郵。

求助電郵 **1,027**
English 英文 **903** Chinese 中文 **124**

Gender

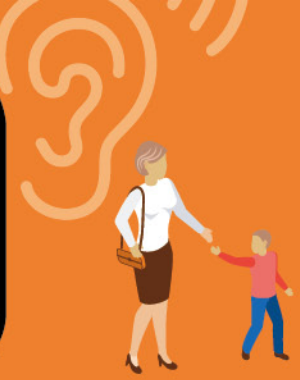
Male	男性	421
Female	女性	590
Unknown	沒有資料	16

We have organised 3 training courses. 39 new volunteers went on to staff the hotlines. Our volunteers contributed a total of 10,474 befriending hours to our hotline service last year.

我們舉辦了三期的義工訓練課程，共招募了 39 名新義工。義工們共提供了 10,474 小時的熱線支援服務。

Young Samaritans Peer Support Programme

友伴同行生命互勉計劃



In the fiscal year of 2018-19, we have had the privilege of organizing the 12th Young Samaritans Peer Support Programme (YSPSP), which is the finale of the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust funded three-year Youth Suicide Prevention Programme. During the 3-year programme, a total of 12,802 students and 112 parents were served. Activities including 18 workshops for students, 7 workshops for parents and 3 outdoor training camps were arranged. Each year, a graduation ceremony (3 in total) was held as a platform for students and parents to share their respective learning and reflections. The participating rates of all activities were satisfactory.

The Samaritans had successfully completed this 3-year programme that focused on youths, their parents and family. The programme educated young people about the causes and signs of depression and prevention strategies for self-harm and suicide. It also aspired to enhance their listening and communication skills and to inspire compassion and empathy. Each programme included six training workshops and an overnight outdoor training camp. Upon completion of training, our "Young Samaritans" returned to their schools and joined the efforts to raise awareness of mental health among their peers. A better understanding of suicidal behaviour and the value of expressing feelings was achieved and the emotional health of the community improved. The effect was spread through 22 campus communities, affecting thousands of students and their parents and families.

Through our evaluations, we found that participating students were coping with emotional difficulties in more constructive ways. Their willingness in seeking professional help also increased. Both students' and their parents' knowledge about suicide was enhanced while stigma on mental illness reduced. For both groups of participating students and parents, improved listening skill and increased willingness to share with each other their feelings and emotional states were found.

在2018-19財政年度，我們舉辦了第十二屆友伴同行生命互勉計劃(YSPSP)，這是由香港賽馬會慈善信託基金資助的三年青年預防自殺計劃中的最後一屆。本計劃共為12,802名學生和112名家長提供了服務：包括18個學生工作坊和7個家長工作坊，和3個戶外訓練營。每年，本計劃都舉辦1次畢業典禮(總共3次)作為平台，讓學生和家長分享得著和反思。所有活動的參與率均令人滿意。

本會成功開展了這項針對年輕人、家長及其家人的三年計劃，向年輕人講解了抑鬱的成因、徵兆以及自我傷害和自殺的預防策略。它還提高了參加者的聆聽能力和溝通技巧，並激發憐憫心和同理心。每個培訓程序包括6節工作坊和1個戶外訓練營。培訓結束後，這些「年青的撒瑪利亞人」返回學校身體力行地提高同齡友伴的心理健康意識。他們對自殺行為和表達情感的價值有了更好的了解，而其所在社區的整體情緒健康亦得到改善。這些影響已傳遍參與計劃的22個校園社區，影響了成千上萬的學生及其父母和家庭。

通過我們的評估，我們發現參與計劃的學生能以更具建設性的方式應對情緒困難。他們尋求專業協助的意願也有所提高。學生和家長對自殺的了解都得到增強，而對情緒疾病的忌諱亦減少了。在參與的學生和家長小組中，我們發現參加者的聆聽技能得到了提升，並且更願意彼此分享他們的感受和情緒健康狀況。





Summary of the Three-year Youth Suicide Prevention Programme 三年青年預防自殺計劃總覽

Year 年度	Participating Schools 參與學校	No. of Young Samaritans 本計劃參加人數	No. of students reached by Young Samaritans 校內推廣活動所接觸的人數
2016-2017 (8th YSPSP)	Shun Tak Fraternal Association Lee Shau Kee College 順德聯誼總會李兆基中學 Yan Oi Tong Tin Ka Ping Secondary School 仁愛堂田家炳中學 Tuen Mun Government Secondary School 屯門官立中學 Shun Tak Fraternal Association Tam Pak Yu College 順德聯誼總會譚伯羽中學 Church of Christ in China Kei Long College 中華基督教會基朗中學 Madam Lau Kam Lung Secondary School of Miu Fat Buddhist Monastery 妙法寺劉金龍中學	Total 總數: 32	Total 總數: 3,950
	No. of Schools Participating 參與學校: 6		
2017-2018 (10th YSPSP)	Shun Tak Fraternal Association Tam Pak Yu College 順德聯誼總會譚伯羽中學 TWGHs Kwok Yat Wai College 東華三院郭一葦中學 Christian Alliance S C Chan Memorial College 宣道會陳瑞芝紀念中學 Shun Tak Fraternal Association Lee Shau Kee College 順德聯誼總會李兆基中學 Yan Oi Tong Tin Ka Ping Secondary School 仁愛堂田家炳中學 Ying Wa College 英華書院 Queen Elizabeth School Old Students' Association Secondary School 伊利沙伯中學舊生會中學	Total 總數: 33	Total 總數: 4,720
	No. of Schools Participating 參與學校: 7		
2018-2019 (12th YSPSP)	Shun Tak Fraternal Association Lee Shau Kee College 順德聯誼總會李兆基中學 Church of Christ in China Kei Long College 中華基督教會基朗中學 Aberdeen Baptist Lui Ming Choi College 香港仔浸信會呂明才書院 Shun Tak Fraternal Association Tam Pak Yu College 順德聯誼總會譚伯羽中學 Pui Ching Middle School 香港培正中學 CNEC Lau Wing Sang Secondary School 中華傳道會劉永生中學 Christian Alliance S C Chan Memorial College 宣道會陳瑞芝紀念中學 Yan Oi Tong Tin Ka Ping Secondary School 仁愛堂田家炳中學 Discovery College 智新書院	Total 總數: 27	Total 總數: 4,132
	No. of Schools Participating 參與學校: 9		
2016-2019 (3-year Total)	Total No. of Schools Participating: 參與學校總數: 22	Total No. of Young Samaritans 參與本計劃總人數: 92	No. of students reached by Young Samaritans 校內推廣活動所接觸的總人數: 12,802
	Total No. of Parents Participating: 參與家長總人數: 112	Total No. of Participants in Graduation Ceremonies: 參與結業典禮總人數: 124	Overall Satisfactory Rate: 計劃整體滿意率: 90%

Supporting The Aged Responsibly (STAR) Programme

星伴流金 — 護老關愛計畫



With the objective to help support the carers of the elderly as well as the elderly who are under immense pressure, the STAR (Support The Aged Responsibly) Programme continued to work in collaboration with a number of NGOs this year.

In 2018-19, a total of 24 sessions of talk, sharing, mutual-support and counseling group meeting with follow-up activity were organized. A total of 312 participants from 7 NGOs attended the above activities, far-exceeding the target number of activities set. All activities were positively responded as usual. It is hoped that with strengthened publicity and manpower, the STAR Programme could continue to bring light and warmth to the elderly and their carers.

長者及其照顧者在日常生活中往往面對沉重的壓力，本年度我們繼續透過「星伴流金—護老關愛」計畫與不同的社福機構合作，為他們提供支援。

於2018-19年度，我們舉辦了24次講座、分享、支援及輔導小組及跟進活動，吸引了來自7間社福機構共312名參加者出席，遠超過我們定下的目標。所有活動一如既往均獲得非常正面的反應，令人鼓舞。我們期待「星伴流金—護老關愛」計畫在加強宣傳及資源下，能繼續為長者及其照顧者帶來溫暖及關懷。

Topics and Contents

1 Common mood disorders and warning signs of suicide in the elderly

- * Causes and symptoms of anxiety and depression
- * Identifying depression
- * Suicide warning signs
- * Dealing with emotional disorders

2 Communicating with those who are sick and elderly

- * Physiological and emotional problems
- * Communicating with others
- * Supporting the elderly

3 Communicating with each other

- * Conflicts and arguments
- * Communicating effectively
- * Managing emotions

4 Taking care

- * Enjoying longevity
- * Physiological health
- * Emotional well-being
- * Enhancing the body and mind

5 Those who care for others

- * Anxieties and problems
- * Impact on health
- * Caring for oneself
- * Relaxation exercises
- * Community resources and support services

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Mutual Support Group

即合輔導中心 旺角區中心
星伴流金護老關愛小組
2019年5月18, 17, 24, 31日

香港社會服務聯會老人中心
星伴流金護老關愛小組
2019年5月15, 22, 29 及 6月4日

佛朗哥街長者服務中心
星伴流金護老關愛小組
2019年5月14, 20, 27 及 6月3日

「星伴流金」護老關愛計畫 Supporting The Aged Responsibly (STAR) Programme

服務對象 Target groups

長者、護老者及有興趣人士
The elderly, carers of the elderly and interested parties

計劃目的 Programme objectives

讓參加者：
* 認識長者常見的情緒病
* 掌握良好溝通技巧，給予長者適當照顧
* 提升長者/護老者的自我照顧及關懷
To enable the participants:
* to know about the common mood disorders of the elderly;
* to acquire effective communication skills, so as to attend properly to the elderly;
* to promote self-care and compassion among the elderly and carers.

服務形式 Forms of service

提供講座、分享、小組輔導
talk, sharing and small group counseling

主題與內容

1 認識長者常見的情緒病及自殺想法

- * 抑鬱及焦慮症的成因及徵狀
- * 自我測試—我有抑鬱症嗎？
- * 長者自殺的徵兆
- * 情緒病的治療方法

2 掌握良好溝通技巧照顧病患長者

- * 患病長者的身、心狀態
- * 影響長者溝通的因素
- * 有效的溝通技巧
- * 舒緩有情緒的長者
- * 支援有自殺傾向的長者

3 長者和睦相處之道

- * 人際關係與心理健康
- * 長者衝突的原因和後果
- * 經常動怒對身心的不良影響
- * 有效溝通、和睦相處
- * 情緒管理

4 長者如何照顧好自己？

- * 長壽之道—保持身心靈健康
- * 照顧自己的身體健康
- * 照顧自己的心理健康：管理情緒、舒緩壓力
- * 如何達到心靈快樂滿足
- * 身心健康練習

5 護老者如何照顧好自己？

- * 護老者的壓力
- * 壓力會導致身心疾病
- * 照顧自己的身心健康
- * 輕鬆運動
- * 社區資源及支援服務

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Talk & Sharing



Summary of the Supporting The Aged Responsibly (STAR) Programme 2018-2019

星伴流金 - 護老關愛計畫 2018-2019 總覽

Participating NGOs 參與社福機構	No. of Participants 本計劃參加人數	No. of Sessions 舉辦活動節數
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wong Tai Sin Integrated Family Service Centre, Social Welfare Department 社會福利署黃大仙綜合家庭服務中心 2. Choi Hung Community Centre for Senior Citizens, Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service 循道衛理楊震社會服務處彩虹長者綜合服務中心 3. Sage Rotary Club of HK North West Neighbourhood Elderly Centre, HK Society for the Aged 耆康會香港西北區扶輪社長者鄰舍中心 4. Methodist Epworth Village Community Centre, Hing Wah Elderly Centre 循道愛華柴灣興華耆樂中心 5. Aberdeen Kaifong Association Lam Ying Wah Neighbourhood Elderly Centre 香港仔坊會社會服務林應和長者鄰舍中心 6. Ma On Shan Neighbourhood Elderly Centre (Lei On Estate) 鄰舍輔導會馬鞍山鄰里康齡中心 7. Sik Sik Yuen Ho Chui District Community Centre for Senior Citizens 薺色園可聚耆英地區中心 	Total 總數：312	Total 總數：24

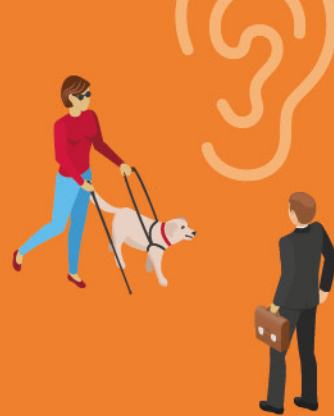
Schedule and Topics of the Programme

計劃年度日程及分享主題

Session No. 活動節數	Date 日期	Collaborating NGO & Topic 參與社福機構及主題	No. of participants 參加人數
1.	23 April 2018 2018 年 4 月 23 日 10:00 – 12:00	Talk and sharing at Wong Tai Sin Integrated Family Service Centre Topic: Communicating with each other 社會福利署黃大仙綜合家庭服務中心 [長者和睦相處之道] 講座及分享	11
2.	11 June 2018 2018 年 6 月 11 日 10:00 – 12:00	Talk and sharing at Wong Tai Sin Integrated Family Service Centre Topic: Caring the elderly with mood disorder and signs of suicide 社會福利署黃大仙綜合家庭服務中心 [如何關顧有情緒病及自殺念頭的長者 ?] 講座及分享	13
3.	13 June 2018 2018 年 6 月 13 日 14:00 – 16:00	Talks and sharing at Choi Hung Community Centre for Senior Citizens, Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service Topic: Caring the elderly with mood disorder and signs of suicide 循道衛理楊震社會服務處彩虹長者綜合服務中心 [如何關顧有情緒病及自殺念頭的長者 ?] 講座及分享	9
4.	18 Oct 2018 2018 年 10 月 18 日 10:00 – 12:00	Talk and sharing at Sage Rotary Club of HK North West Neighbourhood Elderly Centre, HK Society for the Aged Topic: Those Who Care for Others 耆康會香港西北區扶輪社長者鄰舍中心 [照顧者 – 你也須照顧好自己] 講座及分享	12
5.	18 Dec 2018 2018 年 12 月 18 日 10:00 – 12:00	Talk and sharing at Choi Hung Community Centre for Senior Citizens, Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service Topic: Communicating with those who are sick and elderly 循道衛理楊震社會服務處彩虹長者綜合服務中心 [如何與患病長者溝通 ?] 講座及分享	24
6.	20 Dec 2018 2018 年 12 月 20 日 10:00 – 12:00	4 Mutual Support Group Counseling sessions for care-givers at Methodist Epworth Village Community Centre, Hing Wah Elderly Centre 循道愛華柴灣興華耆樂中心 [照顧者支援小組]	19
7-10.	2, 9, 16, 23 Jan 2019 2019 年 1 月 2, 9, 16, 23 日 14:30 – 16:30	5 Mutual Support Group Counseling sessions for care-givers at Aberdeen Kaifong Association Lam Ying Wah Elderly Neighbourhood Centre 香港仔坊會社會服務林應和長者鄰舍中心 [照顧者支援小組]	24
11-15.	3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Jan 2019 2019 年 1 月 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 日 14:15 – 16:15	4 Mutual Support Group Counseling sessions for care-givers at Ma On Shan Neighbourhood Elderly Centre (Lei On Estate) 鄰舍輔導會馬鞍山鄰里康齡中心 [照顧者支援小組]	50
16-19.	5, 12, 19, 26 Jan 2019 2019 年 1 月 5, 12, 19, 26 日 10:00 – 12:00	Talk & sharing at Aberdeen Kaifong Association Lam Ying Wah Elderly Neighbourhood Centre Topic: Communicating with each other 香港仔坊會社會服務林應和長者鄰舍中心 [長者和睦相處之道] 講座及分享	24
20.	21 Feb 2019 2019 年 2 月 21 日 14:30 – 16:00	Talk & sharing at Methodist Epworth Village Community Centre Hing Wah Elderly C. Topic: Communicating with those who are sick and elderly 循道愛華柴灣興華耆樂中心 [掌握良好溝通技巧照顧患病長者] 講座及分享	28
21.	25 Feb 2019 2019 年 2 月 25 日 10:00 – 11:00	Talk & sharing at Sik Sik Yuen Ho Chui District Community Centre for Senior Citizens Topic: Taking Care 薺色園可聚耆英地區中心 - 九龍慈雲山慈樂村樂滿樓地下 [面對壓力，我怎樣可以照顧好自己 ?] 講座及分享	22
22.	27 Feb 2019 2019 年 2 月 27 日 09:15 – 10:45	Talk & sharing at Aberdeen Kaifong Association Lam Ying Wah Elderly Neighbourhood Centre Topic: Taking Care 香港仔坊會社會服務林應和長者鄰舍中心 [長者如何照顧好自己 ?] 講座及分享	30
23.	7 March 2019 2019 年 3 月 7 日 14:30 – 16:00	Talk and sharing at Methodist Epworth Village Community Centre Hing Wah Centre Topic: Those who care for others 循道愛華柴灣興華耆樂中心 [護老者如何照顧好自己 ?] 講座及分享	30
24.	11 March 2019 2019 年 3 月 11 日 10:00 – 11:00		24

Community Outreach

社區外展



12 talks and workshops 講座及工作坊

800 attendees 人次

The mission of our community outreach is to foster mental wellness and prevent suicide through providing talks and workshops in both Cantonese and English. The topics and formats of our outreach work vary depending on the needs of the audience. This year, we held 12 talks and workshops, reaching a total number of 800 people of differing backgrounds, including secondary and university students, teachers, domestic helpers and professionals.

我們的社區外展服務透過粵語和英語的講座及工作坊，促進社區的精神健康，預防自殺。講座及工作坊的主題和形式按參加者的需求而定。本年度我們舉辦了 12 場講座及工作坊，共 800 人參加，包括不同界別的人士如中學生、教師、外籍家庭傭工和專業人士。



Volunteer Training

義工培訓



The Samaritans conducts three training courses for potential volunteers per year. This year, of the 56 people selected to become potential volunteers, 39 went on to join our pool of dedicated volunteers who staff the hotlines. It is always encouraging to see the diverse number of people of all ages and from different walks of life, motivated to offer to join the Samaritans' and to help further our cause.

The training team is formed of experienced Samaritan volunteers. Each training course runs over about 6 weeks, on 4 weekends and 3 weeknights. It is a precise and thorough course involving skills practice, role-play and group discussions. By the end of the course, our new potential volunteers have acquired the skills needed to listen to our callers with empathy, in complete confidence and without judgment. When the new potential volunteers begin to take calls, they are supported by a more experienced volunteer until they feel confident to work alone. We also have a well – established support network in place for all of our volunteers, including all new potential volunteers.

In order to enhance our volunteers' knowledge and understanding of some of the social issues that may affect people in Hong Kong, guest speakers are invited to speak on a chosen topic during the training courses. We would like to thank the following guest speakers for their time and for sharing their expertise and experiences with us: Jeff Andrews from "Christian Action" (June 2018); Jeff Rotmeyer of "Impact Hong Kong" (October 2018); Grace Lee, Education Manager of "The Family Planning Association of Hong Kong" (February 2019).

撒瑪利亞會每年舉辦 3 期義工培訓課程，今年一共有 56 人入選，其中 39 人已順利成為熱線義工。我們對於每次的培訓課程能看見來自各行各業、不同國籍，不同年紀的熱心人士，願意付出寶貴的時間及精神來支持撒瑪利亞會的工作均感到十分鼓舞。

我們的培訓團隊由具豐富經驗的撒瑪利亞會義工擔任，每一期的義工培訓課程為期約六個星期，課程會在四個週末及三個工作日的晚



上進行。我們的課程既全面，亦非常嚴格，內容包括聆聽技巧練習、角色扮演及小組討論等。受訓後這羣準義工會掌握到一系列的技巧，用同理心及不批判的態度來聆聽來電者的心聲，提供絕對保密的電話情緒支援。當他們開始投入熱線服務時，資深義工將繼續為他們提供指導及支援。協助新成員渡過整個培訓過程，最終成為獨當一面的熱線義工。

本年度我們於培訓課程新增了嘉賓分享的環節，以加深義工們對於香港當前的主要問題的認識。每位講者都會探討一個不同的議題。我們衷心感謝以下嘉賓付出寶貴的時間跟我們分享他們的專業和經驗 – 基督教勵行會的 Jeff Andrews 先生（2018 年 6 月）；Impact Hong Kong 的 Jeff Rotmeyer 先生（2018 年 10 月）；以及香港家庭計劃指導會的教育經理李明英小姐（2019 年 2 月）。



International Conference on Suicide Prevention 2019

國際防止自殺會議 2019



To celebrate their 40th anniversary, The Samaritans of Thailand held a conference, themed "Challenging the Challenges" from 8th to 10th March 2019 at Kameo Classic Ayutthaya Hotel, Ayutthaya, Thailand. Two SAMs were sponsored to represent The Samaritans Hong Kong at the Conference. The representatives shared their valuable experiences at the Leaders' meeting in May 2019 and later via the newsletter.

為慶祝成立 40 週年，泰國撒瑪利亞會於 2019 年 3 月 8 日至 10 日在泰國大城府 Kameo Classic Ayutthaya Hotel 舉行了主題為 "Challenging the Challenges" 的會議。本會贊助了兩位會員代表香港撒瑪利亞會參加會議。代表們在 2019 年 5 月的領導會議上以及隨後的本會通訊中分享了他們參與會議的寶貴經驗。



Patron, Consultants, Affiliations & Memberships

贊助人、顧問及會員機構



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Befrienders Worldwide

Charitable Choice

Community Chest

The Hong Kong Council of Social Service



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THE COMMUNITY CHEST
會員機構 MEMBER AGENCY

Befrienders
Worldwide

volunteer action to prevent suicide



charitable
choice
choose the gift of charity

機構會員

HKCSS
Agency Member

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Organisation Structure

組織架構



Board of Directors 董事會

Chair	主席	Prof. George Woo
Secretary	秘書	Mr. Henry Wheare
Treasurer	司庫	Mr. Lento Yip
Member	董事	Mrs. Brenda Scofield
Member	董事	Mr. Des Ng
Member	董事	Mr. Keith Chiu
Member	董事	Mr. Richard Tang
Member	董事	Mr. Thomas Chiang
Member	董事	Ms. Cindy Li (stepped down – December 2018) (2018 年 12 月 退任)
Member	董事	Ms. Katie Lowe (stepped down – June 2018) (2018 年 6 月 退任)
Member	董事	Ms. Sandy Corrie (stepped down – December 2018) (2018 年 12 月 退任)

Executive Committee 執行委員會

Chief Executive	總監
Ms. Karman Leung	
Interim Chief Executive	署理總監
Mrs. Jackie Fletcher (stepped down March 2019) (2019 年 3 月 退任)	
Finance	財務
Ms. Aubrey Ho	
Executive Member	執行委員
Mr. Ashok Bansal	
Executive Member	執行委員
Ms. Jane Fong	
Executive Member	執行委員
Mrs. Janet Tsang	

Leaders Committee 義工組長委員會

Volunteers 義工

Employees 僱員

Chief Operating Officer	營運總監	David Cheng
(from November 2018) (2018 年 11 月 履新)		
Administration Manager	行政經理	Hedriun Fung
Administrative Officer	行政主任	Suela Tang



Financial Report

財政報告

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SAMARITANS



Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Samaritans (the "Organisation") set out on pages 4 to 22, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2019, the statement of comprehensive income and expenditure, statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of The Samaritans as at 31 March 2019, and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards of Auditing ("HKSAs") issued by the HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Organisation in accordance with the HKICPA's Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants ("the Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed on the other information obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Directors and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SAMARITANS**

Responsibilities of Directors and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements (Continued)

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Organisation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the director either intend to liquidate the Organisation or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Organisation's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organisation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Organisation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organisation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SAMARITANS**

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Continued)

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identified during the audit.

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JFU CPA
Certified Public Accountants

Hong Kong
Date: 25 OCT 2019

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	Notes	2019 HK\$	2018 HK\$
Income			
Donations		542,908	326,531
Outreach donations		6,000	15,390
Institutional grants		-	9,500
Allocation from Community Chest		400,900	389,200
Membership income		1,350	-
Other income		-	29,272
Special donation from Fu Tak lam Foundation Ltd		25,539	7,667
Special donation from HK Jockey Club Charities		282,487	611,675
		<u>1,259,184</u>	<u>1,389,235</u>
Income from the Capital Fund	6	<u>267,546</u>	<u>245,862</u>
		<u>1,526,730</u>	<u>1,635,097</u>
Expenditure			
Employee benefit expenses			
- Salaries		775,859	507,337
- Contributions to a mandatory provident fund scheme		33,084	25,067
		<u>808,943</u>	<u>532,404</u>
Audit fee		15,450	21,000
Depreciation	4	8,722	10,549
Office supplies		3,448	952
Printing, stationery and postage		20,151	23,120
Publicity and advertising		9,236	22,875
Rent, rates and electricity		54,210	55,783
Repairs and maintenance		38,318	30,417
Staff recruitment		9,283	-
Staff training		58,121	45,364
Sundry expenses		81,505	62,797
Telephone		13,243	13,776
Insurance		15,671	9,119
Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Fund expenses		128,153	614,280
Fu Tak lam Foundation Limited Youth Program expenses		3,183	22,020
		<u>1,267,637</u>	<u>1,464,456</u>
Surplus for the year		259,093	170,641
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax			
Change in fair value of available-for-sale investments	11	-	766,904
Change in fair value of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	10	(97,721)	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		<u>161,372</u>	<u>937,545</u>

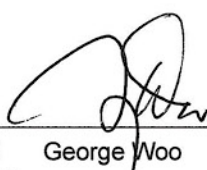
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

	Notes	2019 HK\$	2018 HK\$
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	10	6,599,384	-
Available-for-sale investments	11	-	6,972,105
Equipment	4	6,410	12,674
Intangible asset	5	6,000	6,000
		<u>6,611,794</u>	<u>6,990,779</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Fixed deposits	3	817,162	310,272
Cash and cash equivalents		<u>369,031</u>	<u>303,589</u>
		1,186,193	613,861
Subsidy receivable		-	30,560
Utility deposits		2,500	2,500
Dividends receivable		31,749	31,736
Donation receivable		200	500
		<u>1,220,642</u>	<u>679,157</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>7,832,436</u>	<u>7,669,936</u>
FUNDS			
Accumulated Fund		321,614	294,411
Capital Fund	3	<u>7,416,546</u>	<u>7,282,377</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>7,738,160</u>	<u>7,576,788</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accrued charges		37,974	30,846
Deposit received		-	6,000
		<u>37,974</u>	<u>36,846</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITY			
Provision for long service payments	9	<u>56,302</u>	<u>56,302</u>
TOTAL FUNDS AND LIABILITIES		<u>7,832,436</u>	<u>7,669,936</u>

The accompanying notes form part of the financial statements.

Approved and authorised by the Board of Directors on 25 OCT 2019


Name: George Woo
Director


Name: Lento Yip
Director

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	<u>Capital Fund</u> HK\$	<u>Accumulated</u> <u>Fund</u> HK\$	<u>Total</u> HK\$
As at 31 March 2017	6,512,525	126,718	6,639,243
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>769,852</u>	<u>167,693</u>	<u>937,545</u>
As at 31 March 2018 and 1 April 2018	7,282,377	294,411	7,576,788
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>134,169*</u>	<u>27,203</u>	<u>161,372</u>
As at 31 March 2019	<u>7,416,546</u>	<u>321,614</u>	<u>7,738,160</u>

*Movement of Capital Fund during the year represents the addition of fixed deposit of HK\$506,890, disposal of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income of (HK\$275,000) and change in fair value of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income of (HK\$97,721).

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2019</u> HK\$	<u>2018</u> HK\$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Surplus for the year		259,093	170,641
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	4	8,722	10,549
Income from the Capital Fund	6	(267,546)	(245,862)
Over-provision for long service payment	9	-	(18,100)
Operating surplus / (deficit) before changes in working capital		269	(82,772)
Decrease / (Increase) in subsidy receivable		30,560	(30,560)
Increase in dividends receivable		(13)	(313)
Decrease in donation receivable		300	-
Increase / (Decrease) in accrued charges		7,128	(977)
Decrease in deposit received		(6,000)	(3,500)
Net cash from / (used in) operating activities		<u>32,244</u>	<u>(118,122)</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of equipment items	4	(2,458)	(11,234)
Proceeds from disposal of financial assets		275,000	-
Bank interest received	6	7,169	2,953
Dividend received	6	260,377	242,909
Net cash from investing activities		<u>540,088</u>	<u>234,628</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		572,332	116,506
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		<u>613,861</u>	<u>497,355</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		<u>1,186,193</u>	<u>613,861</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Samaritans was established to offer emotional support to those passing through crisis and in imminent danger of taking their own lives.

The address of its registered office is Flat B, 18/F, Block F, 3 Lok Man Road, Chai Wan, Hong Kong.

These financial statements have been approved for issue by the Board of Directors on

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND FUNDAMENTAL ACCOUNTING CONCEPT

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs"), which collectively include all applicable individual Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong. These financial statements also comply with the applicable requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, which for this financial year and the comparative period continue to be those of the predecessor Hong Kong Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32), in accordance with transitional and saving arrangements for Part 9 of the new Hong Kong Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622), "Accounts and Audit", which are set out in section 76 to 87 of Schedule 11 to that Ordinance.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$") which is also the Organisation's functional and presentation currency.

2.2 IMPACT OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Organisation has applied the following amendments and interpretations ("new and revised HKFRSs") issued by the HKICPA which are first effective for the current accounting period:

HKFRS 9	Financial Instruments
HKFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers
HKAS 40 (Amendments)	Transfers of Investment Property
HKFRSs (Amendments)	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2014-2016 Cycle for Amendments to HKFRS 1 & HKAS 28

The Organisation has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for the current accounting period.

The Organisation has initially applied HKFRS 9 and HKFRS 15 from 1 April 2018. Due to the transition methods chosen by the Organisation in applying this standard, comparative information throughout these financial statements has not been restated to reflect the requirements of the new standards.

The other new and revised HKFRSs effective from 1 April 2018 do not have a material effect on the Organisation's financial statements.

(a) HKFRS 9, Financial instruments

HKFRS 9 replaces HKAS 39, Financial instruments: recognition and measurement. It sets out the requirements for recognising and measuring financial assets, financial liabilities and some contracts to buy or sell non-financial items.

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2.2 IMPACT OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

(a) HKFRS 9, Financial instruments (continued)

Further details of the nature and effect of the changes to previous accounting policies and the transition approach are set out below:

1. Classification of financial assets and financial liabilities

HKFRS 9 categorises financial assets into three principal classification categories: measured at amortised cost, at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI") and at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"). These supersede HKAS 39's categories of held-to-maturity investments, loans and receivables, available-for-sale financial assets and financial assets measured at FVTPL. The classification of financial assets under HKFRS 9 is based on the business model under which the financial asset is managed and its contractual cash flow characteristics. Under HKFRS 9, derivatives embedded in contracts where the host is a financial asset in the scope of the standard are not separated from the host. Instead, the hybrid instrument as a whole is assessed for classification.

The following table shows the original measurement categories for each class of the Organisation's financial assets under HKAS 39 and reconciles the carrying amounts of those financial assets determined in accordance with HKAS 39 to those determined in accordance with HKFRS 9.

	HKAS 39 carrying amount as at 31 March 2018 HK\$	Reclassification HK\$	HKFRS 9 carrying amount as at 1 April 2018 HK\$
Financial assets carried at amortised cost			
Fixed deposits	310,272	-	310,272
Cash and cash equivalents	303,589	-	303,589
Subsidy receivable	30,560	-	30,560
Utility deposits	2,500	-	2,500
Dividends receivable	31,736	-	31,736
Donation receivable	500	-	500
	<u>679,157</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>679,157</u>
Financial assets carried at FVTOCI (Note 10)			
Investments in marketable securities	-	6,972,105	6,972,105
Financial assets classified as available-for-sale under HKAS 39			
Available-for-sale investments	<u>6,972,105</u>	<u>(6,972,105)</u>	<u>-</u>

Note: Under HKAS 39, investments in equity securities were classified as available-for-sale investments. They are classified as at FVTOCI (non-recycling) under HKFRS 9.

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2.2 IMPACT OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

(a) HKFRS 9, *Financial Instruments* (continued)

I. Classification of financial assets

For an explanation of how the Organisation classifies and measures financial assets and recognises related gains and losses under HKFRS 9, see respective accounting policy notes in notes 2.4(a), (b), (c) and (d).

The Organisation did not designate or de-designate any financial asset at FVPL at 1 April 2018.

II. Credit losses

HKFRS 9 replaces the "incurred loss" model in HKAS 39 with the "expected credit loss" (ECL) model. The ECL model requires an ongoing measurement of credit risk associated with a financial asset and therefore recognises ECLs earlier than under the "incurred loss" accounting model in HKAS 39.

The Organisation applies the new ECL model to the following items:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost (including fixed deposits, cash and cash equivalents, subsidy receivable, utility deposits, dividends receivable and donation receivable).

For further details on the Organisation's accounting policy for accounting for credit losses, see note 2.4(b).

III. Transition

Changes in accounting policies resulting from the adoption of HKFRS 9 have been applied retrospectively, except as described below:

- Information relating to comparative periods has not been restated. Differences in the carrying amounts of financial assets resulting from the adoption of HKFRS 9 are recognised in revaluation reserve (non-recycling) as at 1 April 2018. Accordingly, the information presented for 2018 continues to be reported under HKAS 39 and thus may not be comparable with the current period.
- The following assessments have been made on the basis of the facts and circumstances that existed at 1 April 2018 (the date of initial application of HKFRS 9 by the Organisation):
 - The determination of the business model within which a financial asset is held; and
 - The designation of certain investments in equity instruments not held for trading to be classified as at FVTOCI (non-recycling).
- If, at the date of initial application, the assessment of whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition would have involved undue cost or effort, a lifetime ECL has been recognised for that financial instrument.

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2.3 IMPACT OF ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Organisation has not early applied the following new and revised Standards and Interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective:

HKFRS 16	Leases ¹
HKFRS 17	Insurance Contracts ²
HK(IFRIC) 23	Uncertainty over income Tax Treatments ³
Amendments to HKFRS 3	Definition of a Business ⁴
Amendments to HKFRS 9	Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation ¹
Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture ⁵
Amendments to HKAS 19	Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement ¹
Amendments to HKAS 28	Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures ¹
Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2015-2017 Cycle ¹

Notes:

1. Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019
2. Effective for annual periods beginning on or after a date to be determined
3. Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021
4. Effective for business combinations and asset acquisitions for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual period beginning on or after 1 January 2020

The Organisation is in the process of making an assessment of what the impact of these amendments is expected to be in the period of initial application.

2.4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) *Equity securities*

Investments in debt and equity securities are recognised / derecognised on the date the Organisation commits to purchase / sell the investment. The investments are initially stated at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs, except for those investments measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") for which transaction costs are recognised directly in profit or loss. For an explanation of how the Organisation determines fair value of financial instruments, see note 2.4(f). These investments are subsequently accounted for as follows, depending on their classification.

(i) Policy applicable from 1 April 2018

An investment in equity securities is classified as FVTPL unless the equity investment is not held for trading purposes and on initial recognition of the investment the group makes an irrevocable election to designate the investment at FVTOCI (non-recycling) such that subsequent changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income. Such elections are made on an instrument-by-instrument basis, but may only be made if the investment meets the definition of equity from the issuer's perspective. Where such an election is made, the amount accumulated in other comprehensive income remains in the fair value reserve (non-recycling) until the investment is disposed of. At the time of disposal, the amount accumulated in the revaluation reserve (non-recycling) is transferred to retained earnings. It is not recycled through profit or loss. Dividends from an investment in equity securities, irrespective of whether classified as at FVTPL or FVTOCI, are recognised in profit or loss as other income in accordance with the policy set out in note 2.4(k).

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2.4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(a) Equity securities (continued)

(i) Policy applicable prior to 1 April 2018

Investments in securities held for trading were classified as financial assets measured at FVTPL. Any attributable transaction costs were recognised in profit or loss as incurred. At the end of each reporting period the fair value was remeasured, with any resultant gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss.

Dated debt securities that the group had the positive ability and intention to hold to maturity were classified as held-to-maturity securities. Held-to-maturity securities were stated at amortised cost.

Investments which did not fall into any of the above categories were classified as available-for-sale financial assets. At the end of each reporting period the fair value was remeasured, with any resultant gain or loss being recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated separately in equity in the revaluation reserve (recycling). Dividend income from equity investments calculated using the effective interest method were recognised in profit or loss in accordance with the policies set out in note 2.4(k). When the investments were derecognised or impaired, the cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity was reclassified to profit or loss.

(b) Credit losses from financial assets

(i) Policy applicable from 1 April 2018

The Organisation recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses ("ECLs") on the following items:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost (including fixed deposits, cash and cash equivalents, subsidy receivable, utility deposits, dividends receivable and donation receivable).

Financial assets measured at fair value, including equity securities measured at FVTPL, and equity securities designated at FVTOCI (non-recycling), are not subject to the ECL assessment.

Measurement of ECLs:

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all expected cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the Organisation in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Organisation expects to receive).

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Organisation is exposed to credit risk. In measuring ECLs, the Organisation takes into account reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort. This includes information about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

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2.4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(b) Credit losses from financial assets (continued)

(i) Policy applicable from 1 April 2018 (continued)

ECLs are measured on the following basis:

- 12-month ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from possible default events within the 12 months after the reporting date; and
- lifetime ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from all possible default events over the expected lives of the items to which the ECL model applies.

Loss allowances for amounts receivable are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. ECLs on these financial assets are estimated using a provision matrix based on the Organisation's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors and an assessment of both the current and forecast general economic conditions at the reporting date.

ECLs are remeasured at each reporting date to reflect changes in the financial instrument's credit risk since initial recognition. Any change in the ECL amount is recognised as an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss. The Organisation recognises an impairment gain or loss for all financial instruments with a corresponding adjustment to their carrying amount through a loss allowance account.

At each reporting date, the Organisation assesses whether a financial asset is credit-impaired. A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable events:

- significant financial difficulties of the debtor;
- a breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments;
- it becoming probable that the borrower will enter into bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation;
- significant changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment that have an adverse effect on the debtor; or
- the disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties of the issuer.

Write-off policy:

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Organisation determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off.

Subsequent recoveries of an asset that was previously written off are recognised as a reversal of impairment in profit or loss in the period in which the recovery occurs.

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2.4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(b) Credit losses from financial assets (continued)

(ii) Policy applicable prior to 1 April 2018

Prior to 1 April 2018, an "incurred loss" model was used to measure impairment losses on financial assets not classified as at fair value through profit and loss (e.g. accounts receivable). Under the "incurred loss" model, an impairment loss was recognised only when there was objective evidence of impairment. Objective evidence of impairment included:

- significant financial difficulties of the debtor;
- a breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments;
- it becoming probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation;
- significant changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment that have an adverse effect on the debtor; and
- a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of an investment in an equity instrument below its cost.

If any such evidence existed, an impairment loss was determined and recognised as follows:

For accounts receivable carried at amortised cost, impairment loss was measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate, where the effect of discounting was material. This assessment was made collectively where these financial assets shared similar risk characteristics, such as similar past due status, and had not been individually assessed as impaired. Future cash flows for financial assets which were assessed for impairment collectively were based on historical loss experience for assets with credit risk characteristics similar to the collective group.

If in a subsequent period the amount of an impairment loss decreased and the decrease could be linked objectively to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised, the impairment loss was reversed through profit or loss. A reversal of an impairment loss was only recognised to the extent that it did not result in the asset's carrying amount exceeding that which would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years.

When the recovery of a trade debtor or other financial assets carried at amortised cost was considered doubtful but not remote, associated impairment losses were recorded using an allowance account. When the group was satisfied that recovery was remote, the amount considered irrecoverable was written off against the gross carrying amount of those assets directly. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously charged to the allowance account were reversed against the allowance account. Other changes in the allowance account and subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off directly were recognised in profit or loss.

(c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other financial institutions, and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, having been within three months of maturity at acquisition. Cash and cash equivalents are assessed for expected credit losses (ECL) in accordance with the policy set out in note 2.4(b).

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2.4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(d) Receivables

A receivable is recognised when the Organisation has an unconditional right to receive consideration. A right to receive consideration is unconditional if only the passage of time is required before payment of that consideration is due. If revenue has been recognised before the Organisation has an unconditional right to receive consideration, the amount is presented as a contract asset.

Receivables are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method less allowance for credit losses (see note 2.4(b)).

(e) Payables

Payables are initially recognised at fair value, and are subsequently stated at amortised cost unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost.

(f) Fair value measurement

The Organisation measures its equity investment at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, which are described as follows:

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;

Level 2 inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Organisation determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by reassessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

(g) Equipment

Equipment is stated at cost less subsequent depreciation and impairment losses. Expenditure incurred after items of equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance, is normally charged to the statement of comprehensive income and expenditure in the year in which it is incurred. In situations where it can be clearly demonstrated that the expenditure has resulted in an increase in the future economic benefits expected to be obtained from the use of an item of equipment, and where the cost of the item can be measured reliably, the expenditure is capitalised as an additional cost of that asset or as a replacement.

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2.4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(g) Equipment (continued)

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost of items of equipment over their estimated useful lives and after taking into account of their estimated residual value, using the straight-line method, as the following:

Leasehold improvement	Lease term or 5 years, whichever is shorter
Office equipment	5 years

The assets' residual values and useful lives are revalued, and adjusted if appropriate at the end of the reporting period.

An item of equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the item) is included in statement of comprehensive income and expenditure in the year in which the item is derecognised.

(h) Intangible assets (other than goodwill)

Intangible assets with finite lives are amortised over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortisation period and the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at the end of each reporting period. The useful lives of trademarks are indefinite and no amortisation is required.

(i) Impairment of non-financial assets

The Samaritans assesses at each reporting date whether there is an indication that an asset may be impaired. If such indication exists, The Samaritans makes an estimate of the asset's recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the assets. Where an asset does not generate cash inflows largely independent of those from other assets, the recoverable amount is determined for the smallest group of assets that generate cash inflows independently.

An impairment loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income and expenditure whenever the carrying amount of assets exceeds its recoverable amount. The impairment loss is reversed if there has been a favorable change in the estimates. A reversal of the impairment loss is limited to the asset's carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years. The reversal of the impairment loss is credited to the statement of comprehensive income and expenditure in the year in which it arises.

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2.4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(j) Retirement benefit cost

The Samaritans operates a mandatory provident fund scheme (the "MPF Scheme") under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance for its employees in Hong Kong. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of The Samaritans in an independently administered fund. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employees' basic salaries and are charged to the statement of comprehensive income and expenditure as and when the contributions fall due.

(k) Revenue and other income

Revenue and other income are recognised as follows:

- (i) Donations
Donations are recognised when received or when the right to receive payment is established.
- (ii) Institutional grants
Institutional grants are recognised when the right to receive payment is established.
- (iii) Dividend income
Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.
- (iv) Allocation, membership income and sundry income
Allocation, membership income and sundry income are recognised on an accrual basis.
- (v) Interest income
Interest income is recognised on a time proportion basis using the effective interest method.

(l) Financial risk management

The Samaritans' activities do not expose it to significant financial risks (including credit risk, interest rate risk and liquidity risk). The Samaritans is exposed to equity securities price risk because of the listed shares held under the Capital Fund. The Samaritans minimises equity security price risk by only investing in constituent shares in the Hang Seng Index and the Tracker Fund.

(m) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Organisation has a present obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that the Organisation will be required to settle that obligation. Provisions are measured at the directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period, and are discounted to present value where the effects are material.

3. CAPITAL FUND

The Capital Fund was established by a legacy. It is the intention of the Board of Directors that the capital portion of the legacy be made available to the fund for the purchase of business premises should the lease of the current premises leased from the Government Property Agency not be renewed. Income generated from the legacy is used to cover recurring expenditure (Note 6).

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3. CAPITAL FUND (CONTINUED)

The invested assets represented the balance of the securities HK\$6,599,384 (2018: HK\$6,972,105) and fixed deposit of HK\$817,162 (2018: HK\$310,272) as at 31 March 2019. The Capital Fund as at 31 March 2019 was HK\$7,416,546 (2018: HK\$7,282,377), as shown in the Statement of Financial Position on page 5 of the financial statements.

Revaluation reserve (non-recycling) of HK\$1,360,977 (2018: revaluation reserve (recycling) of HK\$1,483,948) is including in Capital Fund.

4. EQUIPMENT

2019	Leasehold improvement HK\$	Office equipment HK\$	Total HK\$
As at 1 April 2018			
Cost	4,333	278,602	282,935
Accumulated depreciation	(4,333)	(265,928)	(270,261)
Net carrying amount	-	12,674	12,674
As at 1 April 2018, net of accumulated depreciation	-	12,674	12,674
Additions	-	2,458	2,458
Depreciation provided during the year	-	(8,722)	(8,722)
As at 31 March 2019, net of accumulated depreciation	-	6,410	6,410
As at 31 March 2019			
Cost	4,333	281,060	285,393
Accumulated depreciation	(4,333)	(274,650)	(278,983)
Net carrying amount	-	6,410	6,410
2018			
As at 1 April 2017			
Cost	4,333	267,368	271,701
Accumulated depreciation	(4,333)	(255,379)	(259,712)
Net carrying amount	-	11,989	11,989
As at 1 April 2017, net of accumulated depreciation	-	11,989	11,989
Additions	-	11,234	11,234
Depreciation provided during the year	-	(10,549)	(10,549)
As at 31 March 2018, net of accumulated depreciation	-	12,674	12,674
As at 31 March 2018			
Cost	4,333	278,602	282,935
Accumulated depreciation	(4,333)	(265,928)	(270,261)
Net carrying amount	-	12,674	12,674

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5. INTANGIBLE ASSET

	Trademark HK\$
As at 1 April 2018	
Cost	6,000
Accumulated amortisation	-
Net carrying amount	6,000
As at 1 April 2018, net of accumulated amortisation	6,000
Additions	-
Amortisation provided during the year	-
As at 31 March 2019, net of accumulated amortisation	6,000
As at 31 March 2019	
Cost	6,000
Accumulated amortisation	-
Net carrying amount	6,000

The Organisation acquired the trademarks during 2016. The useful lives of the trademarks are assessed to be indefinite. No amortisation was provided during the year.

6. INCOME FROM THE CAPITAL FUND

	2019 HK\$	2018 HK\$
Income from the Capital Fund		
- Dividend income	260,377	242,909
- Bank interest income	7,169	2,953
	267,546	245,862

Note: The effective interest rate of time deposits is 0.84% (2018: 0.95%).

7. TAXATION

The Samaritans, being a registered charitable organisation, is exempted from Hong Kong profits tax under section 88 of the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Ordinance.

8. KEY MANAGEMENT COMPENSATION

During the year, no compensation was paid to The Samaritans' members of the Board of Directors (2018: HK\$ Nil).

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9. PROVISION FOR LONG SERVICE PAYMENTS

	HK\$
As at 1 April 2017	74,402
Addition in provision during the year	(18,100)
As at 31 March 2018 and 1 April 2018	56,302
Reversal made during the year	-
As at 31 March 2019	56,302

The provision for long service payments represents entitlements for employees who work for a period of not less than 5 years under a continuous contract and are payable upon cessation of their employments with the Organisation.

10. FINANCIAL ASSETS MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	31 March 2019 HK\$	1 April 2018 HK\$	31 March 2018 HK\$
Listed equity investments, at fair value	6,599,384	6,972,105	-

Available-for-sale financial assets were reclassified to financial assets measured at FVTOCI upon the initial application of HKFRS 9 at 1 April 2018 (see note 2.2).

The investments are measured at FVTOCI (non-recycling), since the Organisation designated the investments at FVTOCI (non-recycling), as the investments are equity instruments not held for trading.

The level of the fair value measurement for the investments is categorised as Level 1, according to the accounting policy for fair value measurement as explained in note 2.4(f).

During the year, the Organisation sold a portion of its listed equity investments for proceeds of HK\$275,000. The cumulative gain on the disposal of the listed equity investments was HK\$25,250.

11. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENTS

	2019 HK\$	2018 HK\$
Listed equity investments, at cost	-	5,488,157
Revaluation reserve	-	1,483,948
Listed equity investments, at fair value	-	6,972,105

The above investments are listed equity securities which were reclassified from available-for-sale investments to financial assets measured at FVTOCI (non-recycling) upon the initial application of HKFRS 9 at 1 April 2018.

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11. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

At the date of initial application of HKFRS 9, the Organisation's investments in listed equity securities of HK\$6,972,105 were reclassified from equity securities classified as available-for-sale investments to financial assets measured at FVTOCI (non-recycling), since the Organisation designated the investments at FVTOCI (non-recycling), as the investments are equity instruments not held for trading. The net fair value gain of HK\$1,483,948 relating to these investments was transferred from revaluation reserve (recycling) to revaluation reserve (non-recycling).

12. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The accounting policy for financial risk management set out in note 2.4(l) to the financial statements has covered The Samaritans' policy in the management of financial risks.

The Samaritans is exposed to various financial risks which are discussed below:

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to pay the amounts in full when due. The Samaritans' credit risk is attributed to dividends receivable. Dividends receivable relate to the listed shares in the Capital Fund and the associated recoverability risk is immaterial.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument fluctuates due to changes in market interest rate. The Samaritans' interest rate risk relates primarily to the amount of interest income from short-term bank deposits, which is not material to the statement of comprehensive income and expenditure. The Samaritans monitors the interest rate risk on a continuous basis.

Liquidity risk

The liquidity risk is arising from the operation for the cash management including expected future cash demands. The Samaritans minimises liquidity risk by maintaining sufficient cash to meet current and expected liquidity so as to enable it to meet its liabilities as when they fall due and to continue operating for the foreseeable future.

Equity securities price risk

The Samaritans exposes to equity price changes arising from equity investments classified as financial assets at FVTOCI. The Samaritans' listed shares are constituent shares in the Hang Seng Index and the Tracker Fund.

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12. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Equity securities price risk (continued)

The following table indicates the approximate changes in The Samaritans' surplus / (deficit) and the Accumulated Fund in response to the possible changes in the market prices of the listed shares:

	Increase/ (Decrease) in market prices	Effect on surplus / (deficit) Amount	%	Effect on Accumulated Fund Amount	%
As at 31 March 2019					
Hang Seng listed shares, which are constituent shares of the Hang Seng Index and the Tracker Fund	1%	65,994	25%	65,994	21%
	(1%)	(65,994)	(25%)	(65,994)	(21%)
	Increase/ (Decrease) in market prices	Effect on surplus / (deficit) Amount	%	Effect on Accumulated Fund Amount	%
As at 31 March 2018					
Hang Seng listed shares, which are constituent shares of the Hang Seng Index and the Tracker Fund	1%	69,721	41%	69,721	24%
	(1%)	(69,721)	(41%)	(69,721)	(24%)

Estimation of fair value on listed securities is based on quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period.

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