

## Consortium of Institutes on Family in the Asian Region Ltd.

# 亞洲區家庭研究聯盟

# What You Need to Know about CIFA

### 1. Walk for Family Well-being 2013



CIFA is going to co-organize a fund-raising Walk for Family Well-being 2013 (家庭健步行 2013) with the Academy of Family Therapy (AFT) on 13<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) January, 2013 in the morning with a kick-off ceremony to be officiated by Mr. Patrick NIP Tak Kuen, Director of Social Welfare, at the Hong Kong Girl Guides Association Sandilands Centre. The route will be along the Black's link to Wanchai Gap Park.



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Public transportations to Sandilands Centre include bus no. 6, 41A, 63, 66 and 76.

The objectives of this event are:

- i.) to raise fund for CIFA and AFT;
- ii.) to raise public awareness of these two charitable organizations and promote the importance of family well-being; and
- iii.) to provide an opportunity for members, supporters and their families of CIFA/ AFT to enjoy a relaxing walk in the country side.

Apart from the Walk, other related activities will be organized including warm up exercises, towel dance, eco-tour to be led by an experienced tour guide, and other attractive activities for participants joining the Walk. We are thankful to have Mr. Ng Man Kwong, Advisor and Researcher of the Chinese University (CU) Tree Project and Advisor of Grateful Green Group to be the tour guide of the eco-tour.

Appeal letters and registration forms have been distributed to appeal for sponsorship and participation. Please mark this event on your diary and join us on this relaxing and healthy activity with your family while at the same time raising funds for promoting family well-being!

# 2. 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Symposium at National University of Singapore (11-13<sup>th</sup> December, 2012)

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Symposium is approaching! All concerned parties are working closely to finalize the detailed arrangements with a view to make the Symposium a success.

The Symposium and most of the pre/post symposium workshops have been fully enrolled with participants from various countries/region in the Asian region. Apart from the scientific program, there will be the Opening Ceremony to be officiated by (pl. check the name/title and include here) and other social activities including networking during lunch and tea breaks, Gala Dinner and agency visits. The CIFA Council will also be holding its meeting there. We are looking forward to an exciting milestone in the development of CIFA.

For more details, please look at: <a href="http://www.cifasymposium2012.org">http://www.cifasymposium2012.org</a> and <a href="http://www.cifasymposium2012.org">http://www.cifasymposium2012.org</a>

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### 3<sup>rd</sup> CIFA Regional Symposium 2012

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> December 2012

Venue: National University of Singapore (NUS)

Theme: Asian Families: Innovations in Practice and Policies

#### 3. 3A Project 2012

Arrangements and rundown of the Final Round Adjudication and Award Presentation Ceremony are being finalized. The 8 finalist teams have registered for the Symposium and will present their projects at the Final Round Adjudication on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2012. They are:

Region	<u>Organization</u>	Name of Project
Hong Kong	Tung Wah Group of Hospitals	Healthy Start Home Visit Program 健康由家庭開始計劃
Hong Kong	Hong Kong Children & Youth Services - Hung Hom Integrated Family Service Centre	Sleeping Beauty - Women Wellness Scheme 睡得香甜-婦女全人健康提昇計劃
Hong Kong	Richform Holdings Limited	Family - Friendly, Happy Together
Hong Kong	The Boys' & Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong Tsz Wan Shan Children & Youth Integrated Services Centre	Project Touch -  1 <sup>st</sup> Social Service for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender youths and their families in Greater China
Hong Kong	New Life Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association	Seeing H.O.P.E.Sfamily-based Counseling & Support Project
Hong Kong	Heep Hong Society	Promoting Positive Life Attitudes among Families with Special Needs Children
Taiwan	Taiwan Fund for Children and Families	Family Development Account Program: An Approach To End Poverty
Taiwan	Child Welfare League Foundation R.O.C.	Hope - Starts from the Home Working with Bereaved Children and Their Families Affected by Disasters

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This year, apart from the Gold, Silver and Bronze and outstanding Awards, there will be My Favourite Project to be selected by the audience attending the Final Round Adjudication session. The Award Presentation Ceremony will take place at the Gala Dinner to be held at Resort World Sentosa.

A Sharing Session supported by Department of Social Work, National University of Singapore (NUS), Social Service Training Institute (SSTI) and Thye Hua Kwan Moral Society (THK) will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2012 (Friday) at the National Council of Social Service Building in Singapore. Apart from finalist teams presenting their projects to exchange experience, knowledge and practice wisdom among professionals and stakeholders from Singapore and other regions who are unable to join the Symposium. Thye Hua Kwan Moral Society, Silver Award Winner of the 3A Project 2010, will also join the Session to share their experience of how to sustain the momentum of their project throughout the past two years since it has received the Award in 2010.

A 3A Brochure is being produced and will be distributed at the Final Round Adjudication to provide all the related information on the 3A Project. A special word of thanks goes to Ms. Tabitha HO, the editor of the brochure who has made a lot of effort to produce this brochure in time for distribution at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Symposium.

Appreciation also goes to the Symposium secretariat and colleagues from the concerned organizations for making it position to arrange the Sharing Session in Singapore. Upon receiving funding support, there will be another opportunity for sharing by the finalist teams in Hong Kong.

#### **CIFA Members Share:**

If you have recently attended a conference/workshop and would like to share your experience, or would like to share any news about your work that may be of interest to the community, please e-mail to: the secretariat of CIFA, info@cifa-net.org

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