Chairpersons/ Heads of
Non-governmental Organisations operating
Non-subvented Welfare Services

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Application for
Rent / Rates / Government Rent Subsidy for 2021-22

The Rent / Rates / Government Rent Subsidy Scheme (the Scheme) for 2021-22 is now open for application for non-governmental organisations operating non-subvented welfare services. The purpose of the Scheme is to provide financial support for operating non-subvented welfare services in meeting the needs of the community. The Application Form and Explanatory Notes of the Scheme can be browsed and downloaded from the SWD’s website-


2. An electronic application form of the Scheme is also available at the GovHK Form System starting from 2021-22. You may browse the Application Form and Explanatory Notes and submit the completed application via the following website -


3. Please read the Explanatory Notes carefully before completing the Application Form. Your attention is drawn in particular to the requirements as follows:

(I) Annual Financial Statement (AFS)
• The applicant organisation must submit the audited AFS prepared in respect of either the service unit for which the subsidy is sought or the organisation as a whole;
The audited AFS submitted must be audited by a Certified Public Accountant in Hong Kong. Unaudited AFS certified by the head of the applicant organisation is accepted only when the subsidy applied for is less than $5,000;

If the names of the service unit/organisation shown in the audited/certified AFS submitted and the application form are different, the applicant organisation is required to give reasons and provide supporting documents;

The original copy of the audited AFS for 2020-21 must be submitted to the Subventions Section of the Social Welfare Department on or before 31 December 2021 at 38/F, Dah Sing Financial Centre, 248 Queen’s Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, if it has not yet been available when submitting the application form; and

Once the audited/certified AFS has been submitted, any re-submission will not be considered.

For details, please refer to paragraph 10 of the Explanatory Notes.

(II) Electronic Application Form

The completed electronic application form should be submitted with all the required documents including the Declaration Form which can be downloaded at the website of Social Welfare Department.

For details, please refer to paragraph 20 of the Explanatory Notes.

4. If you wish to apply for subsidy under the Scheme, the completed Application Form together with all the required supporting documents should reach the Subventions Section of this Department or submit via the GovHK Form System on or before 3 November 2021. Late applications or incomplete applications without the required supporting documents will not be considered.

5. For enquiries, please contact Mr YEUNG Chee-don, Eddie on 2832 4339.

Yours faithfully,

Signed

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