

## Objectives

To provide financial assistance for non-school-attending ethnic minorities and new arrivals from the Mainland to take international public examinations for Chinese and English proficiency for continuing education or employment and enhancing their competitiveness.

## Target Beneficiaries

Should meet all the following criteria:

### 1. Hong Kong Identity Card (HKIC) holders, and:

- have entered Hong Kong from the Mainland on One-way Permit and resided in Hong Kong for less than 7 years, or
- Non-Chinese speaking (NCS) residents who:
  - are holders of Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card, or
  - have the right to land or on unconditional stay in Hong Kong or stay in Hong Kong as dependants (and their sponsors are Hong Kong permanent residents, or non-permanent residents with the right to land or on unconditional stay in Hong Kong).

### 2. From low-income families:

- with a monthly household income below the following specified income limit or

Household Size (persons)	Income Limit (HK\$)
1	7,875
2	15,375
3	25,200
4	33,675
5	43,275
6 or above	45,825

(The specified income limit will be subject to updates, please refer to the Home Affairs Department's website: [www.had.gov.hk](http://www.had.gov.hk) for details.)

- the applicant or his/her family member\* has passed the means-test establishing eligibility for assistance under any one of the following specified assistance schemes:
    - Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme;
    - Student financial assistance schemes under the Student Financial Assistance Agency;
      - Tertiary Student Finance Scheme - Publicly-funded Programmes;
      - Financial Assistance Scheme for Post-secondary Students;
      - Financial Assistance for Primary and Secondary Students (i.e. the School Textbook Assistance Scheme, Student Travel Subsidy Scheme, Subsidy Scheme for Internet Access Charges, Examination Fee Remission Scheme), Project Yi Jin (full fee reimbursement) or Financial Assistance Scheme for Designated Evening Adult Education Courses (full/half fee reimbursement);
      - Kindergarten and Child Care Centre Fee Remission Scheme;
    - Hospital Authority Medical Fee Waiving Mechanism (excluding one-off waiver).
- \* Family member refers to father, mother, son, daughter, husband or wife residing with the applicant (including legally recognized adoptive parents/children and illegitimate children with proof of parentage).

### 3. Non-school participants.

### 4. Having obtained a pass or above (or a specified result) in the specific language international public examination.

## How to Apply

Application forms and detailed guidance notes are available at:

- Websites of the Home Affairs Department and New Home Association;
- Public Enquiry Service Centres of the Home Affairs Department, Support Service Centres for Ethnic Minorities and District Service Centres of New Home Association.

### Completed application forms together with copies of relevant documentary proof should be:

- Sent by mail to one of the District Service Centres of New Home Association or HOME Support Service Centre for Ethnic Minorities; or
- Dropped into the deposit box at any District Service Centre of New Home Association or HOME Centre.

Hong Kong East Service Centre	Unit 4, G/F Wing B, Yiu Lok House, Yiu Tung Estate, Shau Kei Wan
Kowloon East Service Centre	Unit 03, 8/F, Futura Plaza, 111-113 How Ming Street, Kwun Tong
Kowloon West Service Centre	Room D-F, 1/F, South Ocean Building, 286-300 Cheung Sha Wan Road
New Territories East Service Centre	Unit 104, G/F, Mei Tao House, Mei Lam Estate, Shatin, New Territories
Tin Shui Wai Service Centre	Suite 1304, 13th Floor, Chinachem Tsuen Wan Plaza, 455-457 Castle Peak Road, Tsuen Wan, N.T.
HOME Centre (Yau Tsim Mong Centre)	Shop B, G/F and 1/F, Sun Wah Building, 73 Battery Street, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon
HOME Centre (Sham Shui Po Sub-centre)	G/F, South Ocean Building, No. 130, Kiu Kiang Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon

## Vetting and Reimbursement

A written result notification will be issued to applicants after vetting the applications. The successful applicants should collect in person or authorize other persons to collect the cash allowance at the designated District Service Centre of New Home Association or HOME Centre.

## Enquiry

Programme Hotline: 2815 5799  
(Office Hours: Monday to Friday 10:00-13:00; 14:00-18:00, closed on Saturday, Sunday and public holidays)  
Home Affairs Department's Website: [www.had.gov.hk](http://www.had.gov.hk)  
New Home Association's Website: [www.nha.org.hk](http://www.nha.org.hk)



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