

## APPENDIX I: REFERENCES

### CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1 Please refer to CoP Paper 1/2006 for a discussion on public finance and its relationship to helping the needy.
- 2 Please refer to CoP Paper 11/2005 relating to the discussion on the CoP draft work programme.

### CHAPTER 2 UNDERSTANDING POVERTY

- 1 For a discussion of the different measurements of poverty, please refer to CoP Paper 3/2005.
- 2 Detailed discussions on the updated Indicators of Poverty are in CoP Paper 10/2007. Previous discussions and detailed considerations are set out in CoP Paper 10/2005, CoP Paper 26/2005, and CoP Paper 14/2006.
- 3 This figure does not capture the elderly poor who are not on CSSA.
- 4 The target recipients are those who are not on CSSA but have financial difficulties in meeting their medical expenses. As regards the elderly poor on CSSA who have health problems, their medical expenses at public hospitals and clinics have already been waived under the CSSA mechanism.
- 5 Households with only elderly members aged 60 or above have been excluded from the compilation of workless households and low-income households as most of them should have retired.
- 6 For reference: Indicators (16) and (18). Since assessing income of elderly people entails technical difficulties, some other methods have been adopted for measuring the population size of the elderly poor.
- 7 Details of the Study on the “Effect of Taxation and Social Benefits on Household Income Distribution” are in CoP Paper 22/2006.
- 8 Details of the Study on Earnings Mobility are in CoP Paper 23/2006.
- 9 Previous discussions concerning income disparity are in CoP Paper 1/2006.
- 10 The Gini Coefficient is widely used as an aggregate summary indicator of income disparity among households in Hong Kong. This indicator is compiled on the basis of household income data obtained from the Population Census/By-census conducted at five-year intervals. It is defined as a ratio with values between 0 (when all households have the same level of income) and 1 (when a single household has all the income). It should be noted that the Gini Coefficient is only one of many indicators that are used to measure income disparity.

### CHAPTER 3 THE UNEMPLOYED AND WORKING POOR

- 1 Please refer to the following for more details of the background -  
 CoP Paper 19/2005: Assisting the Unemployed : Welfare-to-Work.  
 CoP Paper 20/2005: Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) Scheme Able-Bodied Caseload – Past Trend and 2014 Scenarios.  
 CoP Paper 21/2005: Welfare-to-Work : Overseas Experience.  
 CoP Paper 1/2006: Policies in Assisting Low-income Employees.  
 CoP Paper 8/2006: An Analysis of Low-income Households.
- 2 Elderly households refer to those with all members aged 60 and over.
- 3 Economically inactive households refer to those with all members outside the labour force and at least one of the members aged under 60.
- 4 Please refer to the following for more details relating to training -  
 CoP Paper 15/2006: Training, Retraining and Continuing Education.  
 CoP Paper 16/2006: Training, Retraining and Continuing Education - Home Help and Personal Care Services.  
 CoP Paper 17/2006: Training, Retraining and Continuing Education - Training and Employment Opportunities in the Hotel Industry.
- 5 Quotes from “Public Agenda”, a nonpartisan nonprofit in the U.S.A.
- 6 The following two papers are relevant to the district study -  
 CoP Paper 6/2006: District Study on Employment Assistance - Draft Report.  
 CoP Paper 18/2006: District Study on Employment Assistance - Summary of the Government’s Response to Recommendations.  
 The full report on “District Study on Employment Assistance” is available at <http://www.cop.gov.hk/eng/pdf/District%20Study%20Report.eng.pdf>.
- 7 The following are the papers relevant to social enterprise. More information is available at the CoP website (<http://www.cop.gov.hk/eng/concept%20se.htm>).  
 CoP Paper 22/2005: “From Welfare to Self-Reliance” – Social Enterprise Development.  
 CoP Paper 12/2006: “From Welfare to Self-Reliance” – Promoting Social Entrepreneurship Training.  
 CoP Paper 4/2007: “From Welfare to Self-reliance” – Social Enterprise Development – An Update.
- 8 See CoP Paper 7/2007: “From Welfare to Self-reliance” – Social Enterprise Development – Future Direction.
- 9 CoP Paper 10/2006: Provision of disregarded earnings (DE) under the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) Scheme.  
 CoP Paper 2/2007: “From Welfare to Self-reliance” – Disregarded Earnings.

- 10 The following are the papers relevant to the discussion on transport support -  
CoP Paper 5/2006: Work Incentives for Working Poor - Transport Support For Those Living in Remote Areas.  
CoP Paper 1/2007: From Welfare to Self-Reliance - Transport Support Scheme.
- 11 CoP Paper 1/2006 refers.

#### CHAPTER 4 CHILDREN AND YOUTH

- 1 Relevant discussions are covered in the following CoP papers -  
CoP Paper 12/2005: “Intergenerational Poverty”.  
CoP/TFCY Paper 1/2005: “An Overview of Existing Services for Children and Youth — Relevant to Intergenerational Poverty”.  
CoP/TFCY Paper 4/2005: “Tackling Intergenerational Poverty — Concept Paper”.  
CoP Paper 5/2007: Strengthening Support to Children and Families – An Update.
- 2 Please refer to Chapter 2 and the discussions relevant to Indicators of Poverty.
- 3 Adapted from “Middle Childhood Matters” published by the Child and Youth Health Network for Eastern Ontario.
- 4 Reference has been drawn to “A Needs Assessment Report of Children 0 – 5 Years” by the Committee on Promoting Holistic Development of Preschool Children.
- 5 Background about the Comprehensive Child Development Service (CCDS) are covered in the following CoP papers -  
CoP/TFCY Paper 2/2006: CCDS.  
CoP/TFCY Paper 4/2006: CCDS: Progress of Pilot Implementation.  
CoP/TFCY Paper 1/2007: CCDS: Review of Pilot Implementation.
- 6 More information on existing parent education services is at <http://www.cop.gov.hk/eng/tfchildrenmeeting4.htm>
- 7 CoP/TFCY Paper 1/2006: Strengthening Parenting Support for Disadvantaged and Hard-To-Reach Parents. The Study on the Promotion of Parent Education for Economically Disadvantaged and Hard-to-Reach Families in Hong Kong is available at [www.cop.gov.hk](http://www.cop.gov.hk).
- 8 The Government’s update on the initiative of small class teaching is available at – [www.legco.gov.hk/yr06-07/english/panels/ed/papers/ed0212cb2-1041-2-e.pdf](http://www.legco.gov.hk/yr06-07/english/panels/ed/papers/ed0212cb2-1041-2-e.pdf)
- 9 CoP/TFCY Paper 5/2006: Implementation of the School-based After-school Learning and Support Programmes.
- 10 Paragraph 49 of the 2006-07 Policy Address.

- 11 Reference has been drawn to the “Report on Continuing Development and Employment Opportunities for Youth” published by the Commission on Youth, available at [http://www.info.gov.hk/coy/eng/report/Continuing\\_Dev.htm](http://www.info.gov.hk/coy/eng/report/Continuing_Dev.htm).
- 12 CoP Paper 17/2005: Training and Employment Opportunities for Youth.  
CoP Paper 15/2005: Services Offered by the Vocational Training Council (VTC).
- 13 Formerly known as Career Oriented Curriculum (COC).
- 14 This addresses the concern of the Task Force and the community that unemployed youths from 25 to 29 years old are not currently covered by existing training and employment programmes provided by the Labour Department and Employees Retraining Board.
- 15 CoP/TFCY Paper 3/2005: “From Welfare to Self-Reliance” — Proposed District Pilot “My STEP” — Supplementary Information.
- 16 CoP/TFCY Paper 2/2007: Progress report on the trial project - My STEP.
- 17 CoP/TFCY Paper 3/2006: Promoting Child Development – Child Development Fund as a Model.  
CoP Paper 20/2006: Promoting Child Development – Way Forward.  
CoP Paper 6/2007: Child Development Fund –Way Forward.
- 18 Background reference on the Child Development Forum is at [www.cdf.gov.hk](http://www.cdf.gov.hk)

## CHAPTER 5 THE ELDERERS

- 1 Population Projections (2004 – 2033), Census and Statistics Department.
- 2 Speech by Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food, April 2005.  
<http://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/200504/13/04130234.htm>
- 3 According to C&SD’s projections, the elderly dependency ratio will increase from 161 per 1000 persons in 2003, to 428 in 2033.
- 4 For more details, please refer to [http://www.cop.gov.hk/eng/pdf/Brief\\_Need\\_eng.pdf](http://www.cop.gov.hk/eng/pdf/Brief_Need_eng.pdf)
- 5 CoP Paper 11/2006: Elderly in Poverty.
- 6 CoP EP Paper 4/2006: Assisting the “Hidden Elderly”.  
CoP Paper 3/2007: Enhancing support to elders in need.
- 7 CoP EP Paper 2/2006: Medical Fee Waiver Mechanism  
CoP Paper 8/2007: Report of the Ad Hoc Group on the Elderly in Poverty.
- 8 “Building a Healthy Tomorrow - Discussion Paper on the Future Service Delivery Model for our Health Care System”.

- 9 “Study on Overseas Experience in Developing Reverse Mortgage for Retirement Protection”  
[http://www.elderlycommission.gov.hk/en/download/library/030430/e\\_mortgage\\_report.pdf](http://www.elderlycommission.gov.hk/en/download/library/030430/e_mortgage_report.pdf)
- 10 For more details, please refer to CoP EP Paper 1/2007.

## CHAPTER 6 DISTRICT-BASED APPROACH

- 1 The Social Indicators on District Welfare Needs are available at  
[http://sc.info.gov.hk/gb/www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site\\_district/](http://sc.info.gov.hk/gb/www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site_district/)
- 2 Please refer to the following CoP papers for more details relating to district visits -  
CoP Paper 8/2005: District Visit – Tin Shui Wai  
CoP Paper 9/2005: Follow-up to Tin Shui Wai District Visit  
CoP Paper 13/2005: District Visit – Kwun Tong  
CoP Paper 14/2005: District Visit – Sham Shui Po  
CoP Paper 16/2005: Follow-up to District Visits and Way Forward
- 3 CoP Paper 18/2006: District Study on Employment Assistance - Summary of the Government’s Response to Recommendations.
- 4 CoP Paper 25/2005: Reinforcing the District-Based Approach
- 5 CoP Paper 21/2006: “Enhancing Self-Reliance Through District Partnership Programme” – Updates. Details of the Programme are available at [www.had.gov.hk/en/public\\_services/en\\_self\\_reli](http://www.had.gov.hk/en/public_services/en_self_reli)
- 6 District Welfare Planning Protocol is available at [http://sc.info.gov.hk/gb/www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site\\_district/page\\_districtorg/](http://sc.info.gov.hk/gb/www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site_district/page_districtorg/)
- 7 Progress reports of the 3 pilot districts are available at <http://www.cop.gov.hk/eng/society.htm>
- 8 <http://www.dc-review.gov.hk/>
- 9 Chapter 3 (paragraphs 3.11 – 3.12). Please also refer to CoP Paper 18/2006: District Study on Employment Assistance - Summary of the Government’s Response to Recommendations.

## CHAPTER 7 BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

- 1 CoP Paper 16/2005.
- 2 Social capital can be defined as the structure and quality of social networks (both formal and informal) characterized by trust, reciprocity, cohesiveness, civic consciousness and volunteerism. In policy terms, this contrasts with “human capital” strategies which are essentially about building up the skills of individuals.
- 3 Terms of Reference of the Commission (See Chapter 1 - Introduction).
- 4 The Central Policy Unit has, since 2002, conducted a number of studies on the development of the Third Sector in Hong Kong. See [www.cpu.gov.hk/english/research\\_reports.htm](http://www.cpu.gov.hk/english/research_reports.htm)
- 5 There is no universally agreed definition of civil society. The term generally refers to the totality of voluntary civic and social organizations or institutions that operate independently from the Government.
- 6 See CoP Paper 7/2007: “From Welfare to Self-reliance” – Social Enterprise Development – Future Direction.
- 7 The Commission has examined the “Intensive Community Mentoring Scheme”, a study funded by the Quality Education Fund. Reference has also been drawn from a number of sources, including the Quality Education Fund’s study on the mentorship training and assessment mechanism, the Mentorship Programme of the University of Hong Kong and the Volunteer Movement under the Social Welfare Department.

## CHAPTER 8 OTHER DISADVANTAGED GROUPS

- 1 Members’ concerns on the priority groups are set out at Annex to CoP Paper 11/2005 : CoP Draft Work Programme.
- 2 CoP Paper 16/2006: Training, Retraining and Continuing Education - Home Help and Personal Care Services
- 3 Report on Women in Poverty, Legislative Council Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty, May 2006.
- 4 CoP Paper 24/2006: Assistance to Ethnic Minorities in Training and Education.
- 5 Report of the Task Force on Population Policy.