歷史

七十年代初,來自意大利的達碑立神父 (Father Enea Tapella)發現智障及殘疾人士 生活的苦況,遂與義工組織不同的社交、康 樂、宗教等活動給他們。一九七七年,達神 父為殘疾人士尋找夏令營地點的途中,不幸 遇上交通意外逝世。達神父離世後,不少熱

拓展更多適切服務。一九九七年九月,扶康 會位於香港仔的康復中心落成,並於同年成 立了本會第一所中途宿舍,服務擴展至精神 病康復者,以協助他們重返社區。二零零一 年一月,本會將英文會名 The Society of Homes for the Handicapped易名為Fu Hong Society,中文會名則維持不變。

「扶康」是給予扶助以達致身心健康 的意思。自成立以來,扶康會一直致力扶育 智障人士及精神病康復者,讓他們融入社

士發展及支援中心;推動社區人士與智障人 士建立一對一友誼的全球性最佳老友運動 Best Buddies Movement;拓展社區支援服 務,以增強家庭照顧殘疾人士的能力。



History

Father Enea Tapella, an Italian Missionary, formed groups of volunteers to organize various social, leisure and religious activities for people with disabilities in the early 70s. Unfortunately, in 1977, he died in an accident when he was searching for a new site for the summer camp of that year. Following his death, many people participated in rehabilitation

activities enthusiastically, in the hope that his work might be continued in the same spirit. In the same year, a Catholic fellow lent a flat unconditionally for people with disabilities for temporary accommodation, which was the predecessor

of "Father Tapella Home" (FTH). To ensure the continuity for FTH and to develop services for people with mental handicap, Father Bonzi together with a group of professionals and volunteers set up an association, namely "The Society of Homes for the Handicapped" (SHH). In May 1978, the Society was incorporated under the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and subsidized by the Government to further develop our services. In September 1997, our Rehabilitation Centre, situated in Aberdeen, opened and our first halfway house commenced its service, to support people with psychiatric disabilities to integrate into the community. In January 2001, the Society has

been renamed as "Fu Hong Society", while the Chinese name remained the same.

"Fu Hong" in Chinese means "giving assistance to become physically and mentally healthy". Since establishment, our Society is committed to develop the potential of people with disabilities, enable them to

> achieve maximum independence and become fully integrated

citizens in the community. We have pioneered in establishing pilot services, including temporary residential care service, home-based training, hotline service, care and attention home, extended care service and Casa

Famiglia. At the moment, our Society operates 40 service units, serving over 3,000 people with mental handicap and those with psychiatric disabilities. Our Society establishes the first development and support centre for adolescents and adults with autism and further promote Best Buddies Hong Kong, which is part of the international movement to promote one-to-one friendship between members in the community and people with mental handicap. We will also strengthen our Community-based Integrated Services to assist the families in providing care to people with disabilities living in the community.

