

## ON THE MARGINS OF SOCIETY

At the end of 2018, Hong Kong is the home of 386,075 migrant domestic workers from South and South East Asia who are contributing US\$12.6 billion to Hong Kong's economy in 2018 or 3.6% of its GDP. They assist families in Hong Kong to perform household task and to take care of their children and their elderly relatives. Despite their moral and financial contribution to Hong Kong, these workers can be economically exploited. Many who come to seek our help are also survivors of physical or sexual abuse, forced labour, trafficking and have faced various forms of discrimination.

Established in 1993, Christian Action's Centre for Migrant Domestic Workers has provided comprehensive assistance to nearly 200,000 women and men who have been economically exploited, survived modern-day slavery, or have been unfairly treated or abused, by offering them critical intervention and paralegal assistance, shelter, food, psychological support and empowerment through education opportunities, to build their capacities and move beyond the domestic work sector.

In 2019, we provided over 4,438 consultation and paralegal actions to over 829 individual migrant workers. Around 120 individuals were able to seek refuge and safety in our shelters as they waited the outcome of their claims.



## OUR SERVICES

### CRITICAL INTERVENTION & ACCESS TO JUSTICE IN 2019

- Right based advice
- Right based workshops
- Support in filling claims
- Statement writing
- Institution navigation & liaison
- Courtroom & tribunal client advocacy

### OUTREACH IN 2019

- 6,980 migrant workers were reached during our quarterly outreach and events to migrant workers in different areas in Hong Kong
- Collaboration with different NGO (EOC, IOM, Aids Concern and Migrant Workers Union)
- Publish information booklets for migrant workers

### SHELTER IN 2019

- 2,330 face-to-face / calls / consultation
- 60 new checks-in
- 58 checks-out
- 292 shelter activities
- 2,138 migrant domestic workers attend shelter activities