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## HSBC VOLUNTEERS TO CELEBRATE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL WITH THE ELDERLY

Deliver Cook-Chill Meals and Well Wishes Recorded by the Public

To celebrate the coming Mid-Autumn Festival, nearly 150 HSBC volunteers will join hands with Food Angel to visit as many as 900 elderly people living in public estates and community centres across different districts on 25 September. In addition to gift packs with cook-chill meals and mooncakes for the elderly's enjoyment, HSBC volunteers will deliver audio messages recorded by the Bank's employees to wish the elderly well on this festive occasion.

Members of the public are also welcome to join the effort by recording well wishes for the elderly. The audio messages will be added to the greeting cards for the elderly.

To raise awareness and money to support Food Angel's food assistance programme for the elderly, HSBC will serve some of the charity's most popular meals at its staff canteens this week. Employees can sponsor Food Angel by pre-ordering the cook-chill meals. All proceeds will be donated to Food Angel to support their meals production.

Dr Peter WONG, Chairman, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited and The Hongkong Bank Foundation and Luanne LIM, Chief Executive, Hong Kong, HSBC, hosted a lunch today for some of the Bank's graduate trainees at HSBC Main Building, where they were served Food Angel's signature dishes, including grilled chicken, steamed egg and stewed bean curd. Gigi TUNG, Founder, Food Angel, was also present to share the charity's work rescuing 45 tonnes of edible surplus food each week, and producing nutritious meals free of charge for people who need food assistance.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive," said **Dr Peter WONG**. "During our last visit in June, we were inspired by how the convenience of these Food Angel meals brightened up the day for those in need. The Mid-Autumn Festival is an occasion for gathering among family and friends. Therefore, I

encourage colleagues to take this opportunity to share our love with the elderly neighbours who live alone, and have limited capacity to source or cook healthy food for themselves."

Food Angel is a long-standing partner of The Hongkong Bank Foundation. In April, the Foundation announced a HKD100 million donation to Food Angel to support a range of projects. Food Angel plans to increase cook-chill meal production by 60 per cent to reach a total of 7.2 million meals by 2026, and to install automated cook-chill meal dispensers in low-income neighbourhoods. The first one was installed in a public housing estate in Kwun Tong in June while the others will be installed in Tsing Yi and Sham Shui Po later this year.

Since January 2023, HSBC volunteers have given close to 17,000 hours to support various philanthropic projects and activities supported by the Foundation. HSBC was awarded "Outstanding Corporate" in the Hong Kong Volunteer Award 2022.

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## Note to editors:

As part of the SOULFULL campaign, two recording booths will be set up for the public to record their warm wishes. People can also do the recording via the campaign website. Further details will be announced shortly.

## Photo caption



Dr Peter WONG, Chairman,
The Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation Limited,
and The Hongkong Bank
Foundation (front row, fifth from
right), Gigi TUNG, Founder,
Food Angel (front row, third
from left), and Luanne LIM,
Chief Executive, Hong Kong,
HSBC (front row, third from
right), enjoyed Food Angel's

signature recipes with colleagues at HSBC Main Building.



Dr Peter WONG, Chairman, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, and The Hongkong Bank Foundation (left), and Luanne LIM, Chief Executive, Hong Kong, HSBC (right), recorded their greetings which will be delivered during the elderly visit on 25 September.

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