

Enhance Social Well-being and Refine the Social Protection Framework

The ultimate objective of governance lies in enhancing social well-being. We will actively address the challenges arising from demographic changes, such as ageing population and declining birth rate, and continue to pursue enhancements in various policy areas.

Strengthen Future-ready Education System, Advance Quality Education

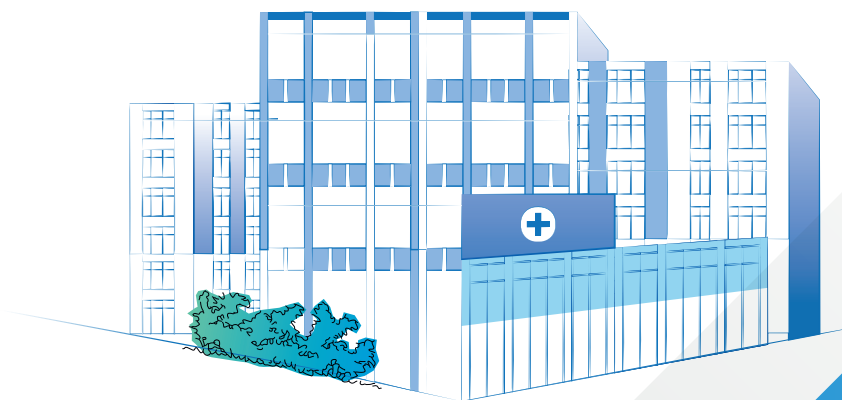
- Holistically **promote the progressive integration of AI into learning, teaching, and assessment**. Foster students' spirit of "Technology for Good" with humanistic qualities through curriculum development.
- **Promote digital education** to strengthen students' learning in mathematics, science, and technology. Create more room for teachers to cultivate children's innovation. Enhance the compilation of teaching materials and the review mechanism for textbooks.
- Nurture a new generation with **affection for our country and Hong Kong** and a **global perspective**.
- Nurture **cross-functional and multi-skilled talent** by advancing the high-quality development of vocational and professional education and training.

Foster the Development of Young People, Women, Families and a Harmonious Society

- **Enhance youth development opportunities** by providing support on exchanges, internship, employment and entrepreneurial endeavours among young people.
- **Empower women to realise their potentials** and promote their high-quality career development.
- **Strengthen family bonds, education and traditions**, and promote good family values.
- Encourage Hong Kong's **religious communities to sustain their efforts in fostering social harmony and inclusion**.
- Facilitate communication and development with and among the **rural communities**.
- Enhance support for **ethnic minorities**.

Deepen Healthcare System Reform

- Develop a **sustainable governance system for primary healthcare**, establish multi-disciplinary, evidence-based, coordinated and coherent service and referral standards. Enhance the synergised development of the family doctor system across both the public and private sectors through establishing a statutory register of primary healthcare service providers. Bring the number of cumulative beneficiaries of District Health Centres to one million within five years. Steadily increase resource allocation to primary healthcare programmes, with an estimated rise of about 30% from the current level by 2030-31.
- **Deepen the reform of the public healthcare service subsidisation structure**, so as to enhance the protection for “poor, acute, serious, critical” patients on all fronts and make the healthcare system more sustainable. Continue to implement the healthcare service reform under the principles of “the Government’s overall commitment will not be lessened” and sustainability of subsidisation.
- Advance the **development of healthcare infrastructure**. Enhance the works projects under the First Hospital Development Plan, which upon completion will increase the total number of public hospital beds under the Hospital Authority to **about 35 000** in 2031, and that of operating theatres to **about 360**.
- **Strengthen the disease prevention and control system and smart anti-epidemic measures**, and build an “integrated epidemic management system”, so as to consolidate frontline defence against communicable diseases.



Strive to Resolve the Housing Issue

- **Eradicate substandard subdivided units in an orderly manner**. Press ahead with the Basic Housing Unit regime, with the target of resolving the issue of substandard units in residential buildings by 2030.
- **Substantially increase public housing supply**. Taking into account Light Public Housing, the total public housing production in Hong Kong will reach around 196 000 units from 2026-27 to 2030-31. The Composite Waiting Time for Subsidised Rental Housing will reduce to less than four years in 2030-31.
- Continue to enhance the **housing ladder** by increasing the supply of subsidised sale flats while refining sale and resale arrangements, so as to assist young people, public rental housing residents, as well as those of different income groups in achieving home ownership.
- The Urban Renewal Authority will commit at least around \$40 billion in the next five years for **urban renewal initiatives**.





Provide Targeted Support, Enhance Protection for People's Livelihood

- Promote data-driven proactive support and champion a shift in approach from “reactive response” towards “**proactive identification and targeted support**”. Explore the establishment of a “welfare information sharing e-platform” and promote an institutionalised model of tripartite collaboration among **the Government, the business sector, and the community** in poverty alleviation.
- **Continue to strengthen the child protection system** and safeguard children's well-being.
- **Enhance elderly care service capacity** and foster a sense of security among the elderly.
- Encourage the elderly to participate in social affairs to promote their **social integration into the community**. Further enhance the support measures for **cross-boundary elderly care** to provide the elderly with more choices and greater convenience.
- Provide targeted support for **persons with disabilities as well as their carers** and build a thriving disability-inclusive society.
- Harness I&T to enhance **employment services**. Protect employment rights and **foster harmonious labour relations**.

Realise Green Transformation, Strengthen Ecological Protection

- Promote **continuous optimisation of the energy mix** and progressively increase the use of zero-carbon energy to strengthen energy security and **maintain the stability of electricity tariffs**.
- Promote the use of **green transport**, thereby creating conditions for achieving the target of zero vehicular emissions before 2050.
- **Move away from reliance on landfill disposal of municipal solid waste** by 2035. Enhance our recycling and waste-to-energy networks to turn waste into resources.
- Develop green technologies and new energy for **proactive decarbonisation**. Establish a certification system for green hydrogen and low-carbon hydrogen standards that connects with the Mainland and the rest of the world.
- Strengthen the **protection of wild fauna and flora as well as endangered species**, and expand cooperation in ecological conservation with relevant Mainland provinces and municipalities.