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Highlights



Research

Receives New Funding to Conduct Transitional Housing Study

JCDISI is pleased to be awarded the funding from the Strategic Public Policy Research Funding Scheme (managed by the Policy Innovation and Co-ordination Office) to commence a three-year study titled "Study on Effective Transitional Housing Delivery in Hong Kong". Led by our Director, Mr KK Ling, this cross-disciplinary research aims to enhancing the overall capacity of Hong Kong for more effective delivery of transitional housing projects to meet the acute housing problem.

Stay tuned for the research progress!

About the Grant



Action Project Launch of GOActive.hk, the First Elderly-friendly Designed Website

After prototype testing with the elderly members and staff from H.K.S.K.H. Lady MacLehose Centre Dr. Lam Chik Suen District Elderly Community Centre, design consultant Doozy Studio has enhanced the event listing website GOActive.hk which is the first platform in Hong Kong designed taking elderly user experience into consideration! The website is now ready for public viewing, optimised with your smart phone.

Visit GOActive.hk



Event Community Planning for an Age-friendly Community

Sustainable community development involves the active participation of citizens in developing and realising a shared vision.

The Season 11 "One from Hundred Thousand" Symposium on "Community Planning for an Age-friendly Community" gathers community members from different background to co-create innovative and user-centric solutions for an age-friendly community from a bottom up approach. In the two-day co-creation workshop held in April, we engaged the elderly as local experts, in guiding the user-journey mapping with the co-creation teams and giving feedback to their proposals. These exercises lead participants to ponder what could be done or improved in our existing urban environment to improve age-friendliness.

Register our online symposium to learn more about this innovative and participatory community planning process as well as the agefriendly solutions generated by the co-creation teams!

Register Now



Action Project Adaptive Design in Subdivided Unit: Co-designing Child-friendly Furniture

Leveraging the ideas generated from the Season 9 Symposium, JCDISI continues the collaboration with its Action Project Partners from PolyU School of Design and the THEi Product Design to explore implementable furniture design that can improve the use of space and study environment of children residing in subdivided units.

With special focus on improving the functionality, adjustability, ergonomics, comfortability, safety, sustainability, material choice and production cost of furniture, a participatory co-design exercise was held to understand the pain points of the tenants. Our project is to come up with furniture that are easy to store, functional and can contribute to positive health outcomes. Any thoughts and ideas on the child-friendly furniture?

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Event

Season 10: Enabling Smart Ageing with Health and Building Data | Social Innovation Symposium

The Season 10 "One from Hundred Thousand" Symposiumqwere held on 9th April to facilitate a discussion among cross-sector and trans-disciplinary professionals on how we can leverage existing data and GIS technology to improve the health and wellbeing of elderly in ageing built environment, including:

- Mr Tony Wong, JP | Deputy Government Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer
- Mr Edmond Lam | Planning and Design Manager, Urban Renewal Authority
- Prof. Albert Lee | Clinical Professor, School of Public Health and Primary Care; Founding Director, Centre for Health Education and Health Promotion, CUHK
- Dr Benny Chow | Convenor, Steering Committee for "Hong Kong Smart Green Building Design Best Practice Guidebook Including Interfacing with Smart City", Hong Kong Green Building Council
- Ir Dr Vincent Cheng | Arup Fellow and Director of Sustainability, Arup
- Mr Paul Tsui | Managing Director, Esri China (Hong Kong) Limited

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Action Project Community Engagement in Intergenerational Play Space

Play space is for everyone, and various forms of community engagement activities would made the design concept of Kowloon Park Fitness Trail more diverse and comprehensive.

In the past few months, JCDISI surveyed over 200 users on intergenerational play and organised three interactive online workshops from the perspective of wellness, technology and intergenerational users to gather feedback from the community to shape the prototype play space design.

Stay tuned for the Action Project progress.

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What's New



Report

Release of Summary Report: Transitional Social Housing – Deliver with Expediency & Decency

In Season 6 "Transitional Social Housing – Deliver with Expediency & Decency", we looked into the issue of Transitional Social Housing again with focuses on the difficulties encountered by NGOs in implementing

TSH projects. The summary report fully documented the knowledge and experience sharing from the industry experts and NGOs operators is now released! Check out now to learn the issue from an operational aspects!

Read Report



Action Project Re-imagine Elderly Centres | Communicative Robot DongJai

Design consultant Eureka has developed four initials characters based on the ideas gathered from the members of TWGHs Fong Siu Yee Neighbourhood Elderly Centre elderly for their voting. They tend to favor the design with astronaut attributes among the four since they associate cuteness and kindness with the children-look. For this reason, our design consultant will make modifications accordingly to this "astronaut" design. Let's look forward to the birth of Astronaut "DongJai"!



Achievement JCDISI at the University Social Responsibility Summit 2021

We are glad that two of JCDISI's work "Delivering Transitional Social Housing through Social Innovation" and "Fleshing out Ageing in Place through applied research and social capital development" were selected to showcase in the USR Summit 2021 held from 3rd to 5tg February in South Africa. This was a recognition of JCDISI's work in advancing PolyU Social Responsibility, which we will endeavour to continue.

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Workshop

Learning Sustainable Development by Community Design

Tackling social issues iwith an innovative mindset is the key element in Solnno Design Education. In our workshop with Shun Tak Fraternity Association Yung Yau College, Kay Chan, a sustainable product designer was engaged to lead students to redesign a community bazaar that meet the principles of sustainable development. Please check out Kay's interview for the process and tips on facilitating self-directed learning among secondary students.

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Event

Social Innovation Exhibition at the PolyU Shenzhen Research Institute

To foster the exchange on Social Innovation between Hong Kong and Shenzhen, two stages of exhibition took place between March and April at the PolyU Shenzhen Research Institute to showcase the work and achievements of JCDISI, featuring the PolyU Jockey

Club "Operation Solnno" programme as well as Good Seed cases. The informative yet simple exhibition attracted the attention of our staff, students and visitors of the campus.



Event Infusing Board Game Experiences into English Learning

Entrusted by the Education Bureau, JCDISI held a professional development workshop for English teachers of Lok Sin Tong Yu Kan Hing Secondary School and officers from the Bureau. By introducing the "Game Kit" we developed, participating teachers were inspired by new methods to help students learn English through board games making.



Event

Co-designing Experience for Elderlies and Secondary Students

Collaborated with Jockey Club Smart Ageing Hub, JCDISI organised a half-day workshop for the Institute for Integrated Rural Development on 10th April to inspire junior secondary school students to understand the needs of the elderly and come up with creative design solutions. The students devolved in interacting with the elders, and refreshed their understanding on the concept of "ageing" by means of the communication tools used in the workshop.



Programme

Good Seed 2021 Cohort 1 Recruitment Completion

Good Seed received a total of 310 applications in the 2021 Cohort 1. Amidst COVID-19, Good Seed transformed the programme by allowing participants to learn Design Thinking and Social Innovation through our online workshops. The final presentation will be held in May 2021, stay tuned!

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Event

Joining the "Community Support for Carers" Policy Seminar

Mr KK Ling, Director of JCDISI, was invited by the Hong Kong Council of Social Service to share our social innovative projects in the "Community Support for Carers" Policy Seminar on 29th March, including the Silver Age Startups project " Easy Breezy In-Home Learning" and the "Intergenerational Play Space" related projects. The former project concerned on how to support unpaid caregivers at home and provide them with a respite from their busy caregiving work by providing home-based art relaxation activities. The latter advocated that the need of carers should also be taken into account in designing intergenerational play space.