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Manulife brings seasonal cheer and practical gifts to SAGE elderly

Hong Kong — Manulife volunteers once again demonstrated their care for the senior members of society by bringing seasonal cheer and practical gifts to the Hong Kong Society for the Aged (SAGE)'s Care and Attention Homes for the Elderly in Shek Wai Kok, Tsuen Wan.

In addition to festive Chinese New Year goodies bags, the life insurer also donated practical aids and equipment to the SAGE centre — a stand-up hoist, a wheelchair and a commode chair, all designed to make the inhabitants' daily life more comfortable.

Michael Huddart, Manulife's Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer, Hong Kong, commented: "We feel a direct connection with these valuable members of our community. Manulife has always tried to ensure a care-free retirement for our older customers. It is a pleasure and a privilege to be able to give something back to retired citizens who have contributed so much to the well-being of our society."

William Wong, Director of SAGE, said in a thank-you speech: "We are grateful, as always, to Manulife for this practical demonstration of its community spirit and caring attitude towards the less-fortunate members of our society."

SAGE was established in 1977 by a group of social workers and professionals, with the goal of ensuring better provision for the disadvantaged among our elderly population so that they can live out their days in reasonable comfort. It provides a wide range of services, including 10 Care-and-Attention homes, four District Elderly Community Centres, four Neighbourhood Elderly Centres, three Day Care Centres, three Age Service Centres, four Developing Horizons and two Integrated Home Care Service Centres.

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(Left to right) William Wong, Director of SAGE,
and Michael Huddart, EVP and CEO, Hong Kong, Manulife (International) Limited



(Left to right) Elderly at SAGE's Care and Attention Homes for the Elderly
and Michael Huddart, EVP and CEO, Hong Kong, Manulife (International) Limited