

## China Everbright Limited volunteers together with their children visit underprivileged cataract patients in "Lifeline Express" Eye-Train Hospital at Baishan

24 August 2017 - Since 2014, **China Everbright Limited** ("CEL", stock code: 165.HK) arranged parent-child volunteer team to visit the Eye-Train hospitals and cataract patients in Shandong, Heilongjiang, Guiyang and Baishan, providing help to paramedics and bringing love to patients. This year, 26 volunteers from Hong Kong, Beijing, Shanghai and Qingdao office together with their children visited the underprivileged cataract patients of "Lifeline Express" Eye-Train Hospital from 18-21 August in Baishan City, Jilin and had a gathering with the students in mountain area.

In the "Lifeline Express" Eye-Train Hospital, volunteers had a sharing session with the medical practitioners and learned about the pathogenesis and treatment of cataract patients. They also visited the cured patients and shared their joy of restoring their eyesight. Since its stay at Baishan from end of July, nearly 500 cataract operations have been conducted successfully on the Eye-Train hospital. At the school in mountain area, the volunteers and students had a vivid and lively book sharing session, the volunteers also brought the students some books and stationery as gifts, both the volunteers and children enjoyed themselves very much.

During the 4-day trip, volunteers have deepened their understanding on the services provided by Lifeline Express. Also, the kids can have a real life experience for poverty through the visits to the needy families in China, which can nurture their kindness to people, and inspire them to cherish their health and happiness.

Over the past few years, CEL has formed a close partnership with Lifeline Express and becomes one of the largest funding sources helping the charity treat cataract patients in poverty-stricken areas in Mainland China. CEL has been sponsoring Lifeline Express's annual gala dinner for 6 consecutive years and made substantial donations to support their fund-raising events such as the charity Golf Days and fundraising concerts. In 2016, CEL supported Lifeline Express's "International Sight Saving Mission", to help the underprivileged patients in Sri-Lanka to restore their eyesight.







Medical practitioner at the Eye-Train hospital explaining the cataract operations to volunteers



Book sharing session of volunteers and the students in Baishan



## **Everbright Charitable Foundation**

Since 2009, the China Everbright Charitable Foundation ("CECF") has sustainably sponsored a number of social service projects including: Over the past couple of years, CECF has formed a close partnership with Lifeline Express, becoming one of its largest funding sources to help cure cataract patients in poverty-stricken areas in the Mainland. Title sponsoring the Orbis - China Everbright Moonwalkers event, to raise funds for the visually impaired from around the world. Title-sponsored the "China Everbright Voice of The Stars Story-Telling Scheme", to help cultivate a better understanding and greater awareness of Chinese history among Hong Kong's young people. Jointly launched "The Everbright Project" with Caritas Family Crisis Support Centre to provide community services targeting Hong Kong's middle class; Supported the "Project Companion – Professional Social Workers in Greater China Scheme", which was jointly established with Social Workers Across Borders to train professional social workers in the Mainland; as well as sponsoring the "Everbright Teachers Heritage Discovery Tour" organised by Hong Kong Federation of Education Workers to provide Hong Kong teachers travelling opportunities to the Mainland China cities for experiencing and learning China culture and history. For details, please visit: http://www.everbright165.com/CorporateSocialResponsibility/CECF

## Lifeline Express

The Lifeline Express Hospital Eye-Train first embarked on its mission to provide free operations and treatment to the underprivileged cataract sufferers in China in July 1997. Over the past 20 years, the Hospital Eye-Trains have helped restore vision to more than 180,000 cataract patients in China by offering them free operations on the Trains. Lifeline Express has also established training centres for ophthalmology microsurgery and cataract treatment centres in the rural areas of mainland China. Moreover, Lifeline Express has introduced an international examination and other learning opportunities for the eye doctors in China, so as to improve their level of knowledge and enhance to a higher level. For more information about Lifeline Express, please see: <a href="http://www.lifeline-express.com/">http://www.lifeline-express.com/</a>.