

**Countryside Conservation Funding Scheme**  
**Research Activities on Countryside Conservation and Revitalisation**

<b>Project Number</b>	<b>EP86/27/24/11-33</b>
<b>Project Proponent</b>	<b>Diocesan Working Committee for “Following Thy Way” of Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong</b>
<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Countryside Conservation Education Program</b>
<b>Target Site</b>	<b>Five churches/chapels in Sai Kung (Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows Chapel, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Star of the Sea Mass Centre, St. Peter’s Chapel and Rosary Mission Centre) and nearby area</b>
<b>Project Description*</b>	<p>The global development crisis is a pressing issue today. Various types of "conservation" have also been targeted by different countries or local agencies. However, education is a very important element for "conservation" to be successful. Combining the concept of "Countryside Conservation" and the preliminary results of "Following Thy Way" in the "Sai Kung Catholic Churches and Villages Cultural Walks Construction Program", and referring to the experience of outdoor education in foreign countries, the program tends to design and promote Integral Human development and Values education concept. To enable young people to pay attention to the importance of countryside conservation in the early stages of their development, and to arouse students' awareness of countryside conservation.</p> <p>This pilot project invites local primary schools in order to study the success factors of educating "Countryside Conservation" through different activities and students' personal experience, and to promote "Countryside Conservation" to other schools through this pilot project.</p>
<b>Project Period</b>	<b>1 August 2023 to 31 July 2025</b>
<b>Grant Approved</b>	<b>\$2,712,500</b>

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