

**Government's Major Support Measures for the Underprivileged
(including Households in Inadequate Housing)**

Nature of support	Measure/Scheme
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kindergarten Education Scheme • Kindergarten and Child Care Centre Fee Remission Scheme • Grant for School-related Expenses for Kindergarten Students • Free primary and secondary education • School Textbook Assistance Scheme • Student Travel Subsidy Scheme • Subsidy Scheme for Internet Access Charges • Examination Fee Remission Scheme • School-based After-school Learning and Support Programmes • Student Grant • Funding for higher education • Tertiary Student Finance Scheme - Publicly-funded Programmes • Non-means-tested Loan Scheme for Full-time Tertiary Students • Financial Assistance Scheme for Post-secondary Students • Non-means-tested Loan Scheme for Post-secondary Students • Study Subsidy Scheme for Designated Professions/Sectors • Continuing Education Fund • Financial Assistance Scheme for Designated Evening Adult Education Courses
Employment services and training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13 job centres • Three industry-based recruitment centres for the catering, retail and construction industries • Telephone employment service centre • Interactive Employment Service website and its mobile application • Greater Bay Area Youth Employment Scheme • Work Orientation and Placement Scheme

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment Programme for the Elderly and Middle-aged • Youth Employment and Training Programme • Work Trial Scheme • About 700 training courses provided by the Employees Retraining Board (ERB). The ERB endeavours to foster the sustainable development of trainees, helps them attain recognised qualifications and map out their progression ladder.
Other cash support measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme (including supplements¹ and special grants² apart from standard rates) • Working Family Allowance Scheme • Old Age Living Allowance³ • Old Age Allowance
Other measures and services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-recurrent measures (such as electricity charges subsidy and various tax reductions) • Universal services (including after-school child care services, public healthcare services, residential and community care services for the elderly)

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¹ Including long-term supplement, single parent supplement, community living supplement, transport supplement, residential care supplement and employment support supplement.

² Including rent allowance; water and sewage charge allowance; grant for rent deposit; grant for water, electricity and gas/liquefied petroleum gas deposits for accommodation in public rental housing or private housing; domestic removal grant; grant for renewal of electrical fittings; grant to cover costs of glasses; grant to cover school fees; meal allowance for students; grant to cover fares to and from school; and grant for selected items of school related expenses, etc.

³ The Chief Executive announced in her 2021 Policy Address to merge the Normal and Higher Old Age Living Allowance (OALA) in the second half of next year so that the more lenient asset limits of the Normal OALA will be adopted across-the-board, and eligible applicants will receive payment at the Higher OALA rate.