

## Support to Schools

1. EDB officers will work in partnership with schools in need to help them develop/implement their plans on how the grant will be used.
2. A Recruitment Link with the Labour Department has been set up in the EDB Homepage (<http://www.edb.gov.hk>) in the link – About Us > Recruitment > Recruitment link - Educational Organizations' Positions, to provide schools with a support service for staff recruitment. Interested schools may visit the EDB Homepage and get direct access to the free and professional recruitment service of the Labour Department.
3. Schools are encouraged to directly employ disabled and disadvantaged persons to fill suitable vacant posts. Schools may also wish to note the Support for Self-reliance (SFS) Scheme launched by the Social Welfare Department (SWD), and consider offering paid employment or unpaid Community Work (CW) opportunities for unemployed Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) recipients.<sup>Note</sup> For details of the SFS Scheme, school may visit the websites of the Scheme under the Social Security Branch of SWD ([http://www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site\\_pubsvc/page\\_socsecu/](http://www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site_pubsvc/page_socsecu/)), or contact staff of SWD at 2231 5872. Schools can contact relevant staff at 2231 5867 for enquiries on paid employment to CSSA recipients, and 2231 5878 or 2231 5891 for enquiries on CW placements to CSSA recipients.

Note : CSSA is funded by the general revenue of HKSAR. Under the SFS Scheme, unemployed CSSA recipients are required to find jobs, and those who cannot quickly find employment are required to undertake unpaid work through the CW programme. Support to the SFS Scheme by offering paid employment or unpaid CW opportunities for unemployed CSSA recipients helps to ensure that social security in Hong Kong, particularly the CSSA Scheme, is within our means while we are maintaining an effective safety net.