

ST ANDREW'S 2020 VISION FUND TARGET UPDATE APRIL 2014



Target to raise: \$85,000,000



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Rev. John Menear
Vicar

The St Andrew's 2020 Vision began in 2010 with a target of \$155,000,000 and has successfully raised over \$100,000,000 since then.

This has been an amazing response, with nearly all of the giving coming from church members. The St Andrew's Life Centre development was commenced when we had 40% of the funds pledged, and work has proceeded well, although with some delays for technical reasons.

What has been most amazing of all is the way St Andrew's members have caught the challenge of the 2020 Vision, and taken many initiatives to see new directions for reaching out into the community of Kowloon and beyond. One aspect of this has been the desire not be content with just completing the Life Centre as first envisaged, but to take the opportunity to develop a master plan for the whole St Andrew's site.

Total cash & pledges raised	HK\$ 100,703,896
Total expenditure to date	HK\$86,469,842
Balance of cash available (as at 31 Mar 2014)	HK\$8,699,686



In March 2014 the Annual Church Meeting agreed to increase the 2020 Vision fund target to \$180,000,000 for the following reasons:

- Increased construction costs, due to engineering requirements
- Upgraded audio & visual, security and telecom facilities
- Upgrade of church facilities to interconnect with the Life Centre
- Additional costs for landscaping, fitting out and staffing costs

This new target certainly presents us with a challenge, but also with the opportunity to make sure that St Andrew's Life Centre and the whole site is properly equipped for its use within the 2020 Vision.

In the pages of this leaflet you will see what this new challenge means, and how we believe we can rise to it. We do so, with the knowledge that as God has already provided amply for St Andrew's, He will continue to provide in the months ahead.



Ronny To
Trustee

A Message from Ronny To Chairman of Development Steering Committee

At the Annual Church Meeting (ACM) on March 23, 2014 we presented a revised budget based on realistic and up to date information. Total construction costs have gone up by 10.1% not through any price increase but mainly due to additional engineering requirements after the tender was issued. The revised construction cost is HK\$145M and we believe it prudent to maintain a contingency of HK\$7M taking the total estimated cost to HK\$152M.

As we approach the last phase of the project we realise that we should take this opportunity to upgrade church facilities so that the two buildings and the church ground are fully integrated. The church upgrade will cost us around HK\$3M.

Obviously the overall increase of HK\$25M, a 16.1% increase from HK\$155 to HK\$180, gives us another challenge. However we must not lose heart for Jesus reminded us in Matthew 19:26, *“With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”* I have been saying in the last few years that God wants ALL of US in St Andrew’s to come on board, not just in giving, but to first and foremost PRAY for the project.

Every time we face a hurdle; every time we step up and step out in faith, God has responded in an overwhelming manner that far exceeded our expectations. In the next few months you will hear testimonies from members of the Steering Committee and we want to encourage all of US to pray for the completion of the project and for the funds we need. Please stand with me and ask God to help each and every one of US to contribute to this project through PRAYER, and be a cheerful giver-to give lavishly, hilariously and sacrificially.

2020 Vision Budget

	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Increase \$
Construction Fee <i>(Inc. contingency)</i>	\$138M	\$152M	\$14M
Consultancy Fees	\$12M	\$12M	-
AV, Security, Telecom	\$2.5M	\$6.8M	\$4.3M
Church Upgrade	-	\$3M	\$3M
Miscellaneous <i>(additional cost, fitting out, staffing, etc.)</i>	\$2.5M	\$6.2M	\$3.7M
Total	\$155M	\$180M	\$25M



John Mitchell
Chairman
Finance Committee

2020 Vision Fund Cashflow

As the end of March 2014, the total cash banked for the 2020 Vision Fund was HK\$ 95.2 million of which HK\$ 86.5 million has already been spent, leaving a cash balance available of HK\$ 8.7 million.

We currently have enough cash to meet our expected payments for April and May only. We urgently need to raise funds to ensure the amounts shown from June onwards, most of which are contractual stage payments, can be met (these cannot be deferred).

We have faith God will provide as we seek to build the extension of His Kingdom. More than once as the 2020 Vision has proceeded we have found ourselves in a situation where by man's reasoning things looked hopeless. Yet God in His goodness moved hearts to support the Vision in time, and we believe He will continue to provide as we depend on Him and seek His glory.

Let us each pray not just for the completion of the Life Centre and fulfilment of the 2020 Vision, but how we can each contribute to the financial needs to make this happen.

Projected Cashflow

(as at 31 March, 2014)

	Projected Expenditure (HK\$)	Fund Balance / (Shortfall)
April 2014	\$4.0M	\$4.7M
May 2014	\$2.6M	\$2.1M
June 2014	\$6.4M	(\$4.3M)
July 2014	\$13.1M	(\$17.4M)
August 2014	\$18.0M	(\$35.4M)
September 2014	\$11.9M	(\$47.3M)
October 2014	\$7.0M	(\$54.3M)
November 2014	\$9.2M	(\$63.5M)
December 2014	\$7.8M	(\$71.3M)



Juliana Wong
2020 Vision
Executive Director

How did the money come?

The 2020 Vision journey has been full of grace and miracles.

There are many beautiful stories behind the raised funds: Kidzone and Crèche children's CNY laisee money; birthday and condolence gifts; a teenager busking on the street; some taking on part-time jobs to earn money to give; giving part of the proceeds of property sales; donating merchandise for sale; using skills and talents to run events; Triathlon, Marathon, and ICC vertical runs; sacrificial one-off donations and pledges; and even a visitor from overseas raised funds from his church in the USA to support us!

The \$100M raised so far is a miracle. It proves St Andrew's is really loved by many because of what we have been doing and will continue to do. From the amazing result I can see God's rich blessings upon all our fund raising efforts.

I have changed from doubting to truly believing this Vision comes from God and He will provide! "Never let the impossible intimidate us. Let it motivate us to pray more, believe more, trust more, experience more, learn more and grow more. Faith always works in the realm of the impossible."

I encourage you to partner with us in the 2020 Vision. Your donation is essential for us to maintain and develop the heritage of St Andrew's for the benefit of the local community. Please contact me if you have any proposals for a fund raising.

How to give?

Donate to St Andrew's Church Vision Fund. Please make cheques payable to "St Andrew's Church Vision Fund" or transfer direct into our Hang Seng Bank account 228-219002-002. You can also donate online via St Andrew's website www.standrews.org.hk. All donations of \$100 or above are tax deductible and a receipt will be issued.

For more information, please contact our 2020 Vision Executive Director Juliana Wong by calling 2367 1478 or emailing 2020vision@standrews.org.hk



David Chui
Fundraising Chairman

Fundraising

As a result of the 2020 Vision budget increase, our remaining fund raising target has consequently become HK\$85,000,000. We may feel even more daunted! But the The Lord will provide, won't He? In my mind, I have never doubted this, and I remember how we were facing a similar situation last summer. Yet our urgent need was met by God' grace, so I have faith this will happening again. We must be united, in prayer and in faith, and do everything we can each to contribute to meet the need.

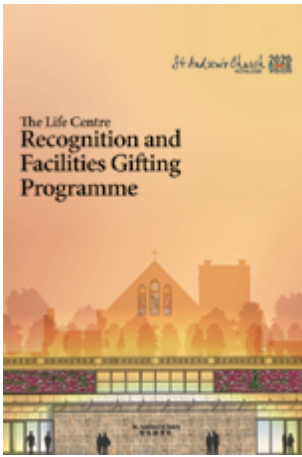
Our revised fund raising timeline is tight as we exhaust our current cash funds in the June this year. My appeal to you is to seek to give again in a sacrificial commitment to investing in the 2020 Vision, and His Kingdom work.

The ways you can support this 2020 Vision target:

1. **Prayer** – pray for a miracle of generosity from among ourselves, and beyond our church.
2. **Commitment through a new pledge.** As God enables you can you help meet the target yourself?
3. A “one-off” donation to support the **Recognition and Facilities Gifting Programme.** A separate leaflet gives all information.
4. **Join our team of ambassadors** who are prayerfully approaching external potential donors.
5. **Create a fun raising event.** Talk to the 2020 Vision Executive Director, Juliana Wong

As we continue onwards, our focus should always remember God's awesomeness in carrying us on our journey to the \$100 million raised already. Isn't this amazing? I hope this excites you as much as me!





Donate a special part of the Life Centre

WOULD YOU LIKE A SEAT IN THE NEW LIFE CENTRE?

On its completion, the Auditorium in the Life Centre will seat 830 persons – that is, if there are 830 seats to sit on! Already 128 seats have been sponsored by St Andrew's members, and the number is growing week by week. Each seat can be sponsored for \$5,000, with only two conditions: they come in one colour – blue, and you can't take them home! Why not sponsor one for each member of your family? Or Growth group? Or Sunday lunch group? You get the idea.

LOVE THE SOUND OF CRYING BABIES IN CHURCH?

NO? Then why not sponsor the Babies Room in the new Life Centre? It can be sponsored for \$1.5M and will be a gift that keeps on giving benefits to every service. Because we love children in our church, we love parents to have a place to go when the kids need feeding, or settling or whatever else needs doing. Maybe a group can join together to make this happen?

THE SOUND OF MUSIC

We expect lots of kids and youth will use and enjoy the basement. They can make lots of noise, er... music, and have lots of fun without disturbing the serious meetings upstairs! But they need instruments to play, and this could be your chance to help. A gift of \$200,000 will help set up the basement with musical gear, which will be used enthusiastically by both younger and older groups.

Wait... there's more...

There are many areas to the Life Centre that you can sponsor. The ones mentioned above are only a few. Please pick up the **Recognition and Facilities Gifting Programme** leaflet and think about some special aspect that appeals to you. Then speak with the 2020 Vision Executive Director, Juliana Wong or Fundraising Chairman, David Chui.

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