



# Golden Age Life Survey Findings

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The Golden Age Foundation (GAF) was established in 2015 and is a registered charity in Hong Kong (No. 91/14446). The Foundation aims to promote the development of smart ageing cities in Asia, lead innovative thinking and initiate the Golden Age Movement, and promote new activities and training programs.

### **VISION: REDEFINING AGEING**

• To build smart ageing cities in Asia

### **MISSION: REPURPOSING AGEING**

- Empower the Golden Age Population (aged 45+) to lead purposeful, healthy and quality lives
- Develop the Golden Age economy
- Build a cross-sector and cross-generational
- platform for collaboration and innovation

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# Background

- - This research (May 2025):
    - both before and after retirement.
  - Individuals aged 45 and older in Hong Kong
  - Number of responses:
  - valid, resulting in a response rate of 77%.



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• In October 2021, the Golden Age Foundation partnered with the University of Hong Kong to carry out the "Hong Kong Smart Ageing Survey 2021." Results: The "sandwich generation" requires substantial support.

• To comprehend the needs and expectations of Hong Kong's golden aged population regarding retirement preparation, lifestyle, health, and social activities, and to inform policy for developing targeted support measures aimed at enhancing the quality of life for people

• A total of 556 responses were received, of which 428 were deemed





# Characteristics of the study sample

 $\rightarrow$  percentage



# Summary of the study

respondents reside with family



# Cross-border retirement plans







76.20% Not Considering **Relocation: Unwilling** to relocate

# **Cross-border retirement plans**

# Have you seriously thought about moving outside Hong Kong after retirement within the next decade? (%), N=428





# **Cross-border retirement plans**

### **Relocation Destinations after** Retirement

Planning to relocate for retirement (24%, N=102)

Percentage → Considering **Relocation** 



# **Cross-border retirement plans**

### Cheaper healthcare costs

### **Reasons for** relocation after retirement

services

13.7%

Plan to relocate after retirement (N=102, 24%)



### How prepared are you for retirement in the next decade (%), N=428



# **Cross-border retirement plans**



# Medical Services







### **86% Not Received Medical Services**

Have you used any medical services in the Mainland in the past five years (%), N=428



# **14% Received Medical Services**





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Accustomed to using Hong Kong healthcare services			66.9%
Confident in the Hong Kong healthcare system			59.2%
Unfamiliar with mainland		Ę	58.4%
hospital visit procedures Inconvenient transportation		47.3%	
for cross-border medical visits Concerned about the quality			
of mainland healthcare services		44.0%	
Communication difficulties (language/cultural differences)	26.4%		
Other	7.6%		



## What is the primary reason for not using medical services in the Mainland? (%)

### **Respondents without experiences using** medical services in the Mainland (N=368, 86%)





# Golden Age Wellness







Other

# Golden Age Wellness

# **Taking nutritional**





# Golden Age Wellness

# What do you do for exercise? (%), N=428

### → Percentage





# Golden Age Wellness



# Average monthly expenditure on sports-related activities (%), N=428



# Golden Age Wellness

29.40% \$0





# Average monthly expenditure on nutritional supplements (%), N=428



# Golden Age Wellness



# Financial Strategy









# **Financial Strategy**



What is your average monthly expenditure on retirement planning? (%)

# **Financial Strategy**

# 13.80% \$1001-2000

# 12.38% \$501-1000







# **Financial Strategy**





# Smart Aging Technology Application





# Have you considered or acquired age-friendly clothing or products? (%), N=428



# Smart Ageing Technology Application

53.3%



Not interested and not purchased age-friendly products



### Percentage of usage or interest



### Use of or interest in technology products

Do you currently utilize or have an interest in utilizing the following technology products (%), N=428

# Smart Ageing Technology Application



# Policy Advocacy







### Are you aware that the government has formed a "working group to advance the silver economy" and has enacted a series of policies? (%), N=428 **Public Awareness of Silver Policies**



# **Policy Advocacy**

Never heard of

One-third of people have never heard of



## Of the five areas of government' s silver policy, which two do you believe are most pertain to your or your family's future needs? (%), N=428



# **Policy Advocacy**









# In which areas do you believe Hong Kong still has potentials for enhancement in supporting

Respondents



# Six recommendations





# 1. Promoting diverse lifestyle choices and facilitating cross-border retirement



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# collaboration







# 3. Optimizing the financial planning strategy and developing a quality assurance system







# 4. Promoting smart ageing technology and advancing digital inclusion









# 5. Enriching employment opportunities and promoting the well-being in golden age







# 6. Increasing public awareness and multi-sector engagement through policy advocacy innitiatives



