



## **Deliver Care and Love to Tzu Chi's Oldest Volunteer**

Auckland has been locked down for over three months since the increment of community Covid19 cases. Fortunately, John, Tzu Chi's oldest volunteer, had moved into a rest home a few days before the lockdown. Tzu Chi volunteers felt a sense of relief because John will be taken care of in the rest home. During the lockdown, people are not allowed to get in touch with someone not in the same household; under this rule, Tzu Chi volunteers should not send food to John.

During the pandemic, Tzu Chi volunteers called John routinely to make sure he is well. On 25 November, Tzu Chi volunteers sent John his favourite banana, potato salads, and a 2022 calendar. Volunteers left the parcel at the counter and called John by phone as the rest home is not open to the public. John was very happy with the thoughtful gifts. He misses and looks forward to meeting his Tzu Chi family members, and he wished everyone good health amid the Coronavirus pandemic.

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# **Auckland Online Scholarship Award Ceremony**

Tzu Chi NZ believes that education can greatly influence the future of disadvantaged students. Therefore, every year Tzu Chi NZ hold a grand awards ceremony to make the students feel their work is valued. The recognition and encouragement will support the students to continue working hard in achieving academic excellence.

This year, due to Covid-19, the awards ceremony was held online in Auckland on 11 December. The students and teachers attended the online ceremony at home separately. The awarded students would have to go to Tzu Chi NZ to collect their award certificates, scholarships and gifts the next day.

#### **Manurewa Intermediate School**

On 11 December in the morning Tzu Chi volunteers were busy preparing for the online award ceremony. At 10.30 a.m. Tzu Chi NZ held the ceremony for Manurewa Intermediate School. Tzu Chi's CEO congratulated and encouraged the students, and wished them a bright and successful 2022. Manurewa Intermediate School has 27 awarded students, each of their names were called out and congratulated by Ross Devereux, the Deputy Principal of Manurewa Intermediate School. The students and their families were grateful to Tzu Chi NZ for the grant.

### **Dawson Primary School**

The Scholarship award ceremony for Dawson Primary School began at 11 a.m. After the presenter delivered a briefing on Tzu Chi's missions and philosophy, the associate principal, Tarayn Zeier called out each of the names of the nine award-winning pupils.