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\$70m needed for welfare

A HIGH-POWERED welfare group is to press the Government for more than \$70 million to implement welfare projects.

The Social Welfare Advisory Committee is to meet Financial Secretary Hamish Macleod to ask for prompt resource allocation for implementation of 14 projects.

Professor Nelson Chow,

chairman of the advisory committee, said the committee is determined to press Mr Macleod over the issue in view of the huge Government surplus of \$22 billion.

The 14 projects include residential care for severely mentally retarded, improving elderly and home help services, and offering more school social workers.