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\$1.3m to meet recreation bill

The Tsun Wan District Advisory Board is to spend nearly \$1.3 million — more than half its funds — on promoting cultural and recreational activities this year.

At a recent budget meeting, the board agreed to appropriate the money from \$2 million allocated by the Government.

A further \$527,000 is to be spent on environmental improvement projects.

A spokesman for the Tsun Wan District Office said the

allocation of such a large proportion of funds to culture and recreation shows the importance being attached in Tsun Wan to stimulating interest in these activities.

He said the board had been successful in bringing a rich and varied cultural life to the community of Tsun Wan.

Among the major projects of the board during the coming 12 months are an arts and a sports festival.

The arts festival, the third, will be held in February next year and the second sports festival at the end of this year.

The board will continue to support activities organised by the local district sports and recreation association, culture and recreation co-ordinating association, social service centres and mutual aid committees.

These activities will include sports competitions, picnics, singing contests, variety shows, camps, carnivals for old people and children and estate days.

On environmental improvement projects, the spokesman said work would begin soon on constructing sitting-out areas at Lai King Hill bus terminus, Che Fong Street pedestrian precinct and Ping Lai Path.

Projects completed last year include a playground at Sham Tseng Chuen, a basketball court at the Princess Alexandra Community Centre and open spaces at Old Hoi Pa Village and on a site near the Lady MacLehose Playground.

The eight New Territories district advisory boards were established in November 1977 to advise the Government on all matters affecting the well-being of residents of districts and on the provision and use of public facilities.