

China's Social and Philanthropic Research Literature Review Since 2000

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Abstract

Articles from six aspects awareness charity, charitable mechanisms, charity law, philanthropy, charity and cultural and charitable donations for research since 2000 summarized, concluded that the coming period of several charitable needs further study of problems.

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China since ancient times "charity" tradition, as early as the Western Zhou Dynasty, Zhou Wang has established local officials, "Stuart" in the central office of the administrative control. China is a long history of charitable thought, the Qin Dynasty philosophers have had this brilliant exposition. For example: I said in the Tao Te Ching: "charity, water conservancy things without struggle." In modern society, charity has been recognized as the third distribution of social wealth, it is an individual, group or social organization to the community or voluntary unpaid donations of money and goods in favor or volunteering behavior is to help people get rid of their problems in life, an important way to resist social risks. Since reform and opening charity become a useful supplement government assistance, the community has been fully recognized in its achieve a shift from the edge to the mainstream, ignorant of resources to achieve the outward manifestation of charity civic responsibility changes. It is also in this context, the charity of Chinese society has also made new progress in deepening the level of research, more multi-faceted research perspective, new academic achievements continue to emerge. This article from the charitable donation awareness of these six areas, charitable mechanisms, charity law, philanthropy, charitable and philanthropic culture of existing research results summarized, concluded that the next period of time to explore our charitable institution to be studied further improvement in several aspects of the problem, and ultimately improve our charitable institution brainstorming.

From the current point of view, the results of our research on social charity focused on the following aspects.

1. Research Charity Awareness

Charity is a theoretical study of consciousness from the values of a country highly values the mainstream consciousness of charity. Modern society has decided to charity awareness of modern society, openness, universality, impartiality and other features. The traditional concept of charity in the "gift of mercy," "Love" and "kiss" and other traditional thinking, are not in line with the requirements of modern philanthropy. Researchers will shift from a traditional society charity awareness into modern society, which have reached a consensus on how to change, but there are several different views: Xu Lin and Zhang Hui believed that only when most people are fully aware of philanthropy in society plays an important role in the development, in order to generate awareness of public awareness and charity. Charity and social consciousness of modern citizenship, civil society, democratic consciousness are closely linked, and not be able philanthropy considered government functions. Zheng Gongcheng that the development of China's charity, to understand the ethical orientation of the people, and actively cultivate modern charity awareness. Pursuing a clear sense of modern charity, set in line with modern civilization and social justice concept of wealth, when necessary, requires a corresponding charitable school and training courses.

2. Research Charity Mechanism

Philanthropy in the development process, the starting mechanism charity run determinant role to construct the perfect charity mechanism is undoubtedly the social security system to supplement and perfect.

Our study found that philanthropy is the development of deep-seated reasons over the years, the lack of social atmosphere charity, charities credibility is not high, charitable donations and other activities are not frequent problem lies in the imperfect mechanism of charity . Thus would improve our charitable social mechanisms researchers have reached a broad consensus on how to improve but there are several different views: Zheng Gongcheng charities operating mechanism of promoting maturation is the key to perfect charity, charities should follow the sun and impartial organization to establish appropriate mechanisms while skilful use of market mechanisms, with the idea of organizing the operation of the market. Ye think any charitable mechanism is an organic system, only in the cooperative relations in order to charitable organization independent of space and room for development, including its three co-op : First, "The government supports a charity operation " mode. Second, "the government commissioned a charitable organization operating" mode. Third, "the government to purchase a charitable organization providing" mode. ARMED think China should establish charities, nonprofit organizations, volunteers ternary system side by side, in this mechanism, the operation of the Foundation and other charitable organizations to play a role as investors , non-profit organization is a social entrepreneur Foundation's investment in the use of public projects engaged in the operation . In the meantime, a huge number of volunteers serving as the main effective operation of non-profit organizations to reduce costs, improve capital efficiency.

3. Legal Research Charity

3.1 The Need to Strengthen Legislation

Looking at the countries in the world to establish and reform charity, legislation first has become a basic principle. Although both in official and civil appeals for charity legislation sound high, charity legislation has also been included in the legislative program of the State Council and the National People's Congress Standing Committee, but so far "charity law" has not yet appeared. And there are other laws and regulations of various flaws and loopholes, can not meet the requirements of the socialist market economy and philanthropy development. Therefore, in the current situation to build a sound legal system through legislation charity is already solved the problem.

3.2 Legislative Conception

3.2.1 Legislative Principles

Zheng gongcheng believes legislation should follow the following principles: 1) the development of special charity law, legislation should be highlighted charity. Because charity is the main charity, established the independent legal status of charitable organizations, specifically the nature of the mission and its management charities operating rules, you can make charitable independent development. 2) There shall be canceled charity stereotypes competent unit. One important task is to establish the legal charity and maintain independent legal status of charities, allowed under the conditions of self-discipline experience Ebb Tide, and ultimately self-development, healthy development, which is not only a necessary condition for the growth of charity, but also the entire charity necessary condition for development. 3) Establish perfect, unified taxation system. On the one hand, the real businesses and individuals to donate to charities enjoy tax deduction treatment became unified national policy to allow legitimate charities extraction operation costs, charitable community involvement to improve the environment. On the other hand , are mostly based on national financial resources continued substantial growth and China charities currently bear thing is need for government commitment to social assistance responsibilities , the state should finance charity has substantial support , such support is to make substantive direct social assistance to carry out charity businesses to enjoy the same powers for funding with government-run welfare institutions , which is an important condition for mobilizing social resources and to promote the development of philanthropy obtained . 4) Adjust the relationship between government and charities. Charity law should clear relationship between government and charities are partners, to the credibility of any charitable organizations are the cornerstone of its survival and development, the role of government is to supervise and provide support services. 5) Strengthen penalties mechanism. In a charity at the same time as an independent legal entity, charity law should also be strengthened in the field of charitable penalties for violations mechanism.

3.2.2 Legislative Mode

Select the legislative model of the dominant opinion is focused on the legislative model, which is to develop a charity of the Basic Law, the legal norms laid the cornerstone for the entire field of charity, rationalize the relationship between the relevant laws and regulations in the field of charity, to build the ideal legal system; but there are many scholars have suggested that the legislative mode dispersion, which is to develop more than the law of charitable organizations and charitable activities of different content, the general provisions of a law on charity law involves only one aspect or aspects of the system.

4. Research Philanthropy

Charity is a social assistance act, voluntary donors, the donation process and the results of their labor and assets. Its purpose is to achieve poverty alleviation, the Elderly to help orphans, to help disabled medical help, support education student and so on. At present our research on philanthropy involved in charitable acts in accordance with the body can be divided into two categories, one is an individual act of charity , refers to individual citizens to participate in charitable activities ; Another charity organization , is meant to include government, business and other social groups support various charitable organizations and voluntary service organizations . Scholars generally believe that individual acts of charity is the premise and foundation philanthropy development and growth , and after carefully constructed philanthropy organization and planning of the government 's organic supplement inadequate social assistance , public relations crisis and solve some social problems to be solved. For more than two different types of charitable behavior research scholars from different perspectives: (1) the ethical perspective. Wu Xiaofeng considered from the perspective of individual charitable acts are ethical and moral behavior category. And compared with the charity organization, individual philanthropy has a deeper moral significance, because from motivation, personal philanthropy charity organization, compared with a more utilitarian super, super and super political obligations characteristics. (2) Economics perspective. Ma Yong, xu xiao lin and other researchers believe that from an economic point of view, the economics of the "rational man" theory assumed that the introduction of a charitable act of charity to analyze the factors and incentives. They think that the purpose of the various acts of all kinds of people, only one, that is seeking to maximize their own interests. Charitable activities all donors donate behavior is no exception, in fact, was purchased for donation behavior to meet the spiritual needs of a service product , to get a good reputation, reduce guilt, to avoid social stigma and spiritual consolation .

5. Charity Cultural Studies

Charity is called a kind of cultural values from the perspective of understanding the meaning of charitable , philanthropic culture is the core values of altruism , is aimed at the entire society rich atmosphere of humane care , reduce conflict , to reconcile the contradictions of social formation a stable and harmonious state. Philanthropic culture is an important part of social culture, Chinese scholars mainly from the following aspects to study the culture of philanthropy.

1. The connotation of charity culture. What is "charity culture" , now scholars have reached consensus view is that the charity culture of broad and narrow , broad charity culture is engaged or the formation of human society in the long-term practice of charity awareness , charity events , charitable organizations and appropriate laws and institutions . Narrow charity culture is based on the guidelines that people thought early on by certain charitable charity formed practicing charity set value system , the purpose is to promote the concept of charity , to promote the progress of human and social harmony.

2. Construction of charity culture. 1) Tom cent believe that our current monthly charitable binary values exist paradox, contradiction and conflict generated by the paradox seriously hindered the healthy development of China's philanthropy. Therefore, to narrow the gap with Western philanthropy, it is necessary from the current needs of the community philanthropy departure, in the tradition of charitable and cultural absorption, based on the essence of Western culture, charitable, philanthropic and cultural adaptation of contemporary China to build the transition period. 2)chen dong li and other scholars believe that philanthropy requires the active participation of citizens, businesses need more support, thus nurturing corporate philanthropic culture has a deeper significance to the construction of our philanthropic culture. 3) Charitable Wen Bo is the study of visual culture from the valve Hop culture that charity to build our modern culture, we must adhere to the " and for you, and different" principles, the values should be "and love" as now charity cultural values.

3. Charitable and cultural transmission. Scholars generally believe that at this stage in the development process of China's charity, the charity cultural transmission functions back to the very limited role, which is largely confined to charitable and cultural modes of transmission related. Thus, the spread of charitable and cultural needs of the big help of modern media platform, charitable and cultural facilities to increase investment, increase public awareness of the public welfare, making philanthropic culture is more popular.

6. Studies Charitable Giving

Research on the cause of charitable giving has been one of the hot academic research. Currently, the study of China donated career focused on the status of donations to explore cultural and institutional difficulties and suggestions and other content. Numerous studies summarized the China Charity Donation with a low level of development, strong government leadership, the lack of an open and transparent organization and even charitable donations credibility is low, charitable sense of apathy and other characteristics, analyzes the charitable donations hinder the further development of culture and the legal system and other factors, raise foster awareness of modern charity, donate improve laws and regulations, improve the supervision mechanism of policy recommendations.

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In summary, the present study on China's major charity or charities around awareness, several aspects of philanthropy and charitable donations start mechanism for charitable, philanthropic and charitable legal culture just been covered. And from the whole, research more emphasis on qualitative analysis framework and design, few quantitative studies, the establishment of the system model for quantitative estimates of even less. Of course, there are some from the general to the "charity" research results, such as Zheng Gongcheng, such as the book "China Charity", from the nature of philanthropy, history, charitable theory, operations specifications, a typical case, value judgments, particularly aspects of the demonstration, the future development of China's charity for a more comprehensive discussion, is currently the only monograph research charity. Chencheng Wen "On social charity," an article on philanthropy were also positioning, and discusses the existence and development of philanthropy objective necessity that they should establish a socialist market economic system needs to adapt to the charity. Julia in the "start of Chinese philanthropy," the article pointed out that the Chinese philanthropy rise of social conditions, mainly political conditions, changes in economic conditions, ideological and cultural and social conditions, and describes the development of philanthropy in theory that in promoting the development of philanthropy, attention should play a role in theoretical circles, government, charities and the media. Zhang Qilin "On the four factors that influence the development of philanthropy," a paper analyzes the factors that influence the moral development of charity, religious factors, political factors, economic factors. Overall, these findings for the development of Chinese philanthropy provides some useful suggestions and references. But more than the current academic research also focused on philanthropy based on a theoretical level, the real level of research Shangjie too deep.

From the current point of view, the next period of time, research on China's social and charity will focus on the following aspects: 1) the quantitative study of social charity system is conducive to the development of our society charity described the characteristics and trends of the visual image, further our charitable social policy and formulate relevant policies provide a sufficient basis. 2) Based on this year to highlight the changes occurring in the field of real charity development trend of China Charity summarize and discuss the mechanism of the system, and with reference to the development experience of Western countries charitable mechanisms, in-depth analysis and discuss the next period of time the mechanism of charity reality trends. 3) Research on the development of social charity to combine the practice of philanthropy. Focus on analysis in the field of social charity problems and the reasons from the practical level, and then explore the solutions. 4) Research the charity organization's specific problems.

Our country is in a rich variety of types of charitable organizations , uneven level stage, not yet established a uniform system of effective charity , is such a special time , in aid of charity has played an increasingly important field of case , and therefore to study specific issues charitable organizations is particularly important . Wang Hao is now a private charitable organizations such as the establishment of " sweet angel fund " Why repeatedly scandal , where the problem is , how to avoid these problems is our turn to get other private fund organizations learn and improve their own credibility. 5) Research charity figures to be a breakthrough . This breakthrough not only should Dun and Shen , Zhang Jian and other modern philanthropist , as China is a special social group to the modern study, but also to combine modern , such as Chen cursor , Jet Li and other charitable character , hold charitable character at two different times as a whole the characteristics of the various aspects of social psychology , behavioral characteristics and social role and so on.

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