

Chinese College Students Volunteer in the Contemporary International Environment: Facing the Opportunities and Challenges

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Abstract

The Chinese college students volunteer is the main force of China youth volunteers, according to the characteristics of college student volunteers, analyses the problems existing in the volunteer in colleges and universities, discusses the volunteer organizations in the development of the contemporary social environment and the way to clear volunteer organizations in colleges and universities should shoulder the responsibility of the college volunteers, training education, so as to better serve the society, education, youth, promote growth target, promote youth's all-round development, better with international standards.

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1. Introduction

As opposed to abroad, China's volunteer service activities with late start and rapid growth, as a career with international standards, while shouldering social services, education, youth, and promote the growth of other aspects of responsibility, since 2008, after Wenchuan earthquake and Beijing Olympics, the volunteers' outstanding performance, the United Nations Volunteers organization China project Officer said: "2008 will be the first year of voluntary service in China." Volunteer service marks China has entered a new stage of development, the growing ranks of volunteers .

In this context, the university became a concentration camp young volunteers, student volunteers have become the main force of young volunteers, and college volunteer activities, attracted the attention of the community.

However, with the continuous development of university volunteer organization construction and the atmosphere of the changing social environment, the original system of volunteer organizations in colleges and universities began to show the inadaptability of the new development, the new

situation, can't fully meet the students awareness of volunteer activities and needs, there are a lot of volunteers hope to go abroad, better for volunteer service activities. How to better the selection, training college students volunteer, how to effectively carry out the volunteer activities, volunteer activities and the combination of moral education, take on the social responsibility of colleges and universities should have become the current, need we beg and deep research on the problem, is also the opportunity and challenge we face at present.

2. College Students Volunteer Characteristics Analysis

Volunteers, the United Nations defines it as "not to benefit, money, fame, for the purpose, but to neighbors and even world contribution activists", refers to in not for any material reward circumstances, can take the initiative to assume social responsibility and dedicated personal time and spirit. Currently, the majority of college students of China, born in "90", which, they grew up in China's rapid economic development, a comprehensive solution to the problem of food and clothing stage, after entering

college, their self-awareness began to wake up, eager to get recognized by the outside world, never reach self-actualization the purpose of adding volunteer organizations, volunteer service performed, became the choice of many students.

Unlike the social characteristics of student volunteers other volunteer service organizations, and therefore the characteristics of the student volunteers were analyzed, we can effectively promote the construction and optimization of college students volunteer organizations.

2.1. High Turnover of College Student Volunteers

Every year, when the new term begins, college students volunteer organizations, will usher in a new member, it will also off members of the older generation, this is a normal process of old and new replacement. Studies a new start and the end of the stage, will inevitably cause the high turnover of the college students volunteer, for colleges and universities, just cultivate mature volunteers with the old members graduated from loss, at the same time, facing a new period of volunteer training problems, so in reality, although the many volunteers activities, it is easy to appear the effect of volunteer service, unstable, increased voluntary organizations in colleges and universities set up the long-term mechanism of difficulties.

2.2. College Student Volunteers Have Strong Learning Desire

The groups of College students volunteer, is in a state of mainly studies, the period of the volunteers, to the outside world is full of curiosity, so relative to other social organization of volunteers, they demand more self development and improve, they engage in volunteer activities, tend to help others at the same time, can exercise their own ability, make oneself get

comprehensive development, so as to achieve. In favor of others amounts to in favor of oneself.

Another aspect, student volunteers, have high quality universal culture, curiosity is stronger, at the University of school days, the formation of the accumulation of their own expertise, volunteers in the same tissues from different professional schools, the different aspects of good will their professional knowledge in volunteer work, you can either apply their knowledge to achieve practical, but also can serve to help to others, thus completing a workout from theory to practice.

2.3. College Student Volunteers Tend to Be More International Volunteer Service

With the development of international society, the development of China's college students have more opportunities to reach the world, go out and see the outside world, many college students are looking for something, too, Chinese students who volunteer for international of volunteering curious and expectations, they are more willing to take advantage of this opportunity to go out and extend your life, increase their experience and improve their abilities.

3. The Present Problems of the College Students Volunteer Organization Analysis

3.1. College Student Volunteers Need More Time to Grow up

High turnover of college student volunteers, will inevitably result in a non-professional. Just joined the ranks of volunteers, students, often with a passion and understanding for volunteers to join a smattering of requiring a certain distance aspect of their world, life and values, comprehensive ability and voluntary services, this the performance gap between the level of awareness in young volunteers in volunteer service

process, service awareness, service skills, efficiency of service have different levels of lacking.

Just joined the student volunteers trained mostly without the necessary job training, just be conducted a brief introduction and training by a student who a year ahead, after the introduction the new student volunteer began his volunteer service work, thus resulting in a volunteer youth volunteers service process, with a certain blindness, arbitrariness, lack of clear standards and guidance, resulting in higher volunteers volunteer enthusiasm and effectiveness of the activities of expectations, but harvest little volunteer work, or even suffered a setback, reduces the volunteer service warm and the ability to play, affecting the image and status of volunteers in the public mind.

3.2. The Imperfection of the Organization

China's volunteer service development time is short, also to be mature and perfect in every way. Specific performance in :

(1) Most universities in our country for volunteers to assess, did not form a set of evaluation system and evaluation standard of unity, the process of evaluation for volunteers, encourage and volunteers culture training of volunteer action is not in place.

(2) Various laws and regulations to protect rights and interests of volunteers are still inadequate, volunteers and voluntary organizations as participants in public activities, can not be accurately positioned on the law, can not be protected at the legal level. In the event of casualties in volunteer activities, volunteers and voluntary organizations both lack of legal basis, on the one hand is a volunteer service is completely out of personal choice, on the other hand the law does not provide for compensation.

(3) Volunteer lack of financial support, although the behavior of college students volunteering mostly

unpaid volunteers line, but with the kind of volunteer university students increased investment cost of services provided by volunteers and funding will also increase, while the vast majority of college students and no additional source of income, lack of funds, to a large extent restricts the carrying out volunteer services.

3.3. College Students Volunteer Activities One-sided and Simplification

Although, university student volunteers, began a professional study in a particular field, but at the moment, the professional knowledge of the college student volunteers often still stays in the primary and the theoretical, outside the professional level of the college students' volunteer existence does not recognise the attitude, for us to organize, have professional college students volunteer service, puts forward the new challenges. In some way, contributed to the most of the university's youth volunteer service, also limited to such as cleaning, tree-planting afforestation, convenient service, such as physical labor or service in the form of a single.

4. The Role of Universities in the Development of College Students Volunteer Organizations

As an important education institutions of training high-level talents, colleges and universities not only confined to the professional knowledge, also shoulder the young man's intellectual education, college students volunteer service, as an important part of moral education in colleges and universities, college students should be in the school, provide all aspects of guidance.

4.1. Provide Professional Volunteer Training, Promote Volunteering Specialized and Diversified Development

Specialized training and mentoring college students volunteer force is the key to student volunteers service levels and improve their capabilities. Students entering college, only to learn professional knowledge, and should have started to make some sense of social practice, and volunteering their contact with the community, an important way to understand society, but also an important part of moral education in colleges and universities.

Combined with the characteristics of student volunteers and social needs of their volunteer service activities, the development of specialized volunteer training, through lectures, seminars, field simulation, etc., so that student volunteers to form a correct understanding of volunteer activities, attention to explore youth potential volunteers, volunteer to help students acquire the knowledge, experience growth, improve the comprehensive quality of the individual, so that students can be able to carry out voluntary service with its own expertise combine to carry apply their knowledge, learning phase with long volunteer activities.

On the other hand, a growing number of student volunteers, began volunteering for an international interest, hope that through this way, go out and come into contact with different cultural customs, enrich their lives, their ability to exercise . As a school, can adapt to the needs of student volunteers to carry out the relevant international volunteer skills training, and actively carry out international volunteer cooperation projects, and invite foreign volunteers to China, increased interaction with other countries, voluntary service, not only for China the student

volunteers an opportunity to go out, but also provide an opportunity came for volunteers abroad.

4.2. Improve the College Students Volunteer Incentive System

Student volunteers volunteer service is voluntary, mainly in the spiritual dedication, the pursuit of self-realization, the pursuit of material has been weakened, establish and improve the incentive mechanism student volunteers from the spiritual level, for practical riding real participate in service, effective recognition of individual and collective, in particular, can increase the level of university students volunteer efforts and impact of the community, be sure and recognized.

Sound and effective incentive system, can give full play to young college students to volunteer enthusiasm, initiative and creativity, in order to further deepen the college students volunteer activities to promote volunteer service work of Chinese universities to create a practical and dynamic new pattern, there student volunteers help keep the passion for volunteering and boosting college pride, bring more students to participate in voluntary action.

4.3. Improve the College Students Volunteer Rights Protection

A positive volunteer rights protection benefit, service in the whole advancement and sustainable development. In the present, not form a perfect legal system, under the condition of college students volunteer activities, volunteer can make corresponding interests within the school security system, such as for each volunteer to purchase insurance, definite duty and power of volunteers, can make college students volunteer in volunteer service activities, there are rules, rational can depend on, have certain rights and interests protection at the

same time, also be the necessary measure that ensure the safety of college volunteers, each basic.

On the other hand, under the condition of the conditions permit, to a certain amount of funding of volunteers, has rich capital is the prerequisite of voluntary organizations to carry out the activities, but also an important guarantee of high quality to complete the volunteer service, especially in view of the present college volunteers, no income, volunteer work, for in the basic capital protection (such as the activities of transportation, meals, communications, etc.) will greatly improve the enthusiasm of college students volunteer to participate in volunteer activities.

5. Conclusions

Colleges and universities, is shouldering the task of training high-level talents, volunteering is to cultivate young people set up the correct outlook on life, values, world view of important channel, is an important part of intellectual education. China's volunteer service work, late start, there is much more room for progress.

In today of the development of internationalization, the Chinese university volunteer organizations should be unified, co-ordinate, mobilize the forces of the whole society to participate, to expand the scale of their activities, and improve the effect of activity, promote the healthy and orderly development of

volunteer work, for the Chinese college student volunteers to provide as much as possible the opportunity, let them can learn anything you want to learn, to achieve the purpose of promoting the harmonious development of society.

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