Philanthropy in China

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China has the second largest number of Billionaires in the world

Rank	Country / Region	Number of billionaires
1	United States	536
2	China	213
3	Germany	103
4	India	100

Country Ranking for Charitable Giving

Country	2015 rank	2014 rank	2013 rank
<u>Myanmar</u>	1	1	2
United States	2	1	1
New Zealand	3	5	2
<u>Canada</u>	4	3	2
<u>Australia</u>	5	6	7
United Kingdom	6	7	6
<u>Netherlands</u>	7	12	8
<u>Sri Lanka</u>	8	9	10
Ireland	9	4	5
<u>Malaysia</u>	10	7	71
<u>Kenya</u>	11	15	33

The World Giving Index (WGI) is an annual report published by the Charities Aid Foundation

Where does China rank?.....

COUNTRY	2015	2014	2013
Hong Kong	26	N/A	17
Taiwan	35	47	52
CHINA	144	128	133

Why so low, when there are so many wealthy & it's the worlds second largest economy?

China Has No Culture of Philanthropy

Some Reasons Why

- Mao Era Influence
- Wealthy prefer to keep low profile
- Charities are not held in high esteem. (Pandas in Shanghai)
- People don't trust Charitable Organizations(Red Cross Scandal)
- Charities are difficult to set up because of registration cost & fees
- Constraints on growth of NPOs because of policies

- There really is no tax exempt status
- Most wealth is 1st generation, therefore people are not sure how to give (within the last 30yrs)
- Private Charities prohibited from public fund raising
- Ideology-Charity is not a priority. Elite are not motivated by tax exempt status. More in to chasing status & immortality through name recognition after they are gone.

One Big Exception in Giving: Earthquakes/Natural Disasters

Private relief efforts proved to be more effective.



Other Areas of Giving:

Education-

Most people like to give back to the schools that they received an education from.

Give money to schools & institutions of higher learning both inside & outside of China

59 out of 100 top Philanthropists gave 57.5% of their total giving towards the educations sector

The largest amounts of money & the categories that giving currently seems to be in are:

- Education
- Health
- Environmental

Changes on the Horizon:

- **Bill Gates & Warren Buffet-** Hosted a dinner to raise awareness 7 encourage Philanthropy in 2010 in Beijing.
- The China Philanthropy Forum- A historic conference in Fall 2012 in Beijing where key figures from around the world & from the field of philanthropy meet in order to brainstorm & discuss development trends on how government, corporations, business owners, academia, wealthy families can increase philanthropy in China.
- Jack Ma, Alibaba Founder-Foundation started in 2014 for giving to a broader range such as pollution, environmental & health causes is funded by 2% of Alibaba's equity. In addition, Jack Ma & co founder Joseph Tsai, have set up personal foundations
- Programs for Philanthropy research, education & training in partnership with Universities- Harvard Kennedy School, Beijing Normal University(2014 Bill Gates), etc
- Charitable Giving is now being encouraged at top levels
- China is drafting a new Charity law that everyone hopes will give the non profit sector and philanthropy changes that will allow for growth.