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Social welfare Chinese vocabulary list

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Intermediate (HSK 4-6)

生活水平
shēnghuóshuǐpíng living standards

收入
shōurù income / revenue / to take in

> 他的收入不错。
> Tā de shōurù búcuò.
> He has a fair income.

爱心 愛心
àixīn compassion / kindness / care for others / love / charity (bazaar, golf day etc) / heart (the symbol ♥)

> 他很有爱心。
> Tā hěn yǒu àixīn.
> He is very loving.

保险 保險
bǎoxiǎn insurance / to insure / safe / secure / be sure / be bound to

> 他给自己投了保险。
> Tā gěi zìjǐ tóule bǎoxiǎn.
> He insured himself.

退休
tuìxiū to retire (from the workforce) / to go into retirement

> 她前年退休的。
> Tā qiánnián tuìxiū de.
> She retired the year before last.

志愿者 志願者
zhìyuànzhě volunteer

> 志愿者帮老人打扫房间。
> Zhìyuànzhě bāng lǎorén dǎsǎo fángjiān.
> The volunteers help the elderly clean their rooms.

捐
juān to contribute / to donate / tax / levy / to relinquish / to abandon

> 你捐过血吗?
> Nǐ juānguo xuè ma?
> Have you ever donated blood?

失业 失業
shīyè unemployment / to lose one's job

> 数千人失业。
> Shù qiān rén shīyè.
> Thousands of people lost their jobs.

就业 就業
jiùyè to get a job / employment

> 学生们都很关心就业问题。
> Xuéshengmen dōu hěn guānxīn jiùyè wèntí.
> The students all care a lot about the employment problem.

穷 窮
qióng poor / destitute / to use up / to exhaust / thoroughly / extremely / persistently and pointlessly

> 他们都不穷。
> Tāmen dōu bù qióng.
> All of them are not poor.

养老 養老
yǎnglǎo to provide for the elderly (family members) / to enjoy a life in retirement

> 养老是社会的一个大课题。
> Yǎnglǎo shì shèhuì de yí gè dà kètí.
> Caring for the elderly is a big problem for society.

福利
fúlì benefit (provided by an employer or organization) / welfare

> 你们公司有哪些福利?
> Nǐmen gōngsī yǒu nǎxiē fúlì?
> What benefits does your company offer?

救助
jiùzhù to help sb in trouble / aid / assistance

> 他得到了及时的救助。
> Tā dédàole jíshí de jiùzhù.
> He received timely assistance.

公益
gōngyì public good / public welfare / public interest

> 你愿意参加公益广告的拍摄吗?
> Nǐ yuànyì cānjiā gōngyì guǎnggào de pāishè ma?
> Would you like to take part in filming a public service ad?

捐赠 捐贈

juānzèng to contribute (as a gift) / to donate / benefaction

> 接受现金捐赠。
> Jiēshòu xiànjīn juānzèng.
> Cash donations will be accepted.

捐款

juānkuǎn to donate money / to contribute funds / donation / contribution (of money)

> 这笔捐款已经送到学校了。
> Zhè bǐ juānkuǎn yǐjīng sòng dào xuéxiào le.
> The donation has already been delivered to the school.

贫困 貧困

pínkùn impoverished / poverty

> 我们要努力消灭贫困。
> Wǒmen yào nǔlì xiāomiè pínkùn.
> We must work hard to eliminate poverty.

残疾 殘疾

cánjí disabled / handicapped / deformity on a person or animal

> 地铁站为残疾乘客准备了电梯。
> Dìtiězhàn wèi cánjí chéngkè zhǔnbèile diàntī.
> The subway station has provided elevators for disabled passengers.

救灾 救災

jiùzāi to relieve disaster / to help disaster victims

> 洪水来了，大家都去救灾。
> Hóngshuǐ láile, dàjiā dōu qù jiùzāi.
> The flood has come, and everyone is going to help with disaster relief.

保障

bǎozhàng to ensure / to guarantee / to safeguard

> 法律保障每个人的安全。
> Fǎlǜ bǎozhàng měige rén de ānquán.
> The law safeguards everyone's safety.

公众 公眾

gōngzhòng public

> 他习惯在公众场合说话。
> Tā xíguàn zài gōngzhòng chǎnghé shuōhuà.
> He's used to speaking in public.

下岗 下崗

xiàgǎng to come off duty / be to laid off

富裕

fùyù prosperous / well-to-do / well-off

> 以他的薪水不会很富裕。
> Yǐ tā de xīnshuǐ búhuì hěn fùyù.
> He won't get fat on his salary.

关怀 關懷

guānhuái care / solicitude / to show care for / concerned about / attentive to

> 谢谢大家对我的关怀。
> Xièxie dàjiā duì wǒ de guānhuái.
> Thank you all for your kind concern for me.

关爱 關愛

guān'ài to show concern and care for

> 孩子们需要关爱。
> Háizimen xūyào guān'ài.
> Children need loving.

养老院 養老院

yǎnglǎoyuàn nursing home

> 周末我们要去养老院看奶奶。
> Zhōumò wǒmen yào qù yǎnglǎoyuàn kàn nǎinai.
> This weekend we're going to the nursing home to see Grandma.

Advanced (HSK 7-9)

慈善机构 慈善機構

císhànjīgòu charity

> 我把旧衣服捐给了慈善机构。
> Wǒ bǎ jiù yīfu juāngěile císhànjīgòu.
> I donated my old clothes to a charity.

贫穷 貧窮

pínqióng poor / impoverished

> 他贫穷但幸福。
> Tā pínqióng dàn xìngfú.
> Poor as he is, he is happy.

慈善

císhàn benevolent / charitable

> 这不是慈善行为。
> Zhè bú shì císhàn xíngwéi.
> This isn't a charity.

救济 救濟

jiùjì emergency relief / to help the needy with cash or goods

> 他每个月都救济几位老人。
> Tā měige yuè dōu jiùjì jǐ wèi lǎorén.
> Every month he gives money and goods to help a few elderly people in need.

民生

mínshēng people's livelihood / people's welfare

> 改善民生是政府的任务。
> Gǎishàn mínshēng shì zhèngfǔ de rènwu.
> Improving people's welfare is a task of the government.

社会保障 社會保障

shèhuìbǎozhàng social security

> 国家正在努力完善社会保障制度。
> Guójiā zhèngzài nǔlì wánshàn shèhuìbǎozhàng zhìdù.
> The country is working hard to improve its social security system.

养老金 養老金

yǎnglǎojīn pension

低收入

dīshōurù low income

> 你家算低收入家庭吗?
> Nǐ jiā suàn dīshōurù jiātíng ma?
> Does your family count as a low-income household?

扶贫 扶貧
fúpín assistance to the poor / poverty alleviation

弱势群体 弱勢群體
ruòshìqúntǐ disadvantaged social groups (e.g. the handicapped) / the economically and politically marginalized / the dispossessed

援助
yuánzhù to help / to support / to aid / aid / assistance

> 灾区需要外界的援助。
> Zāiqū xūyào wàijiè de yuánzhù.
> The disaster area needs aid from the outside.

赞助 贊助
zànzhù to support / to assist / to sponsor

> 谁愿意赞助我们的旅行?
> Shéi yuànyì zànzhù wǒmen de lǚxíng?
> Who is willing to support our trip?

无偿 無償
wúcháng free / no charge / at no cost

> 他无偿帮邻居修了水管。
> Tā wúcháng bāng línjū xiūle shuǐguǎn.
> He fixed his neighbor's water pipe free of charge.

孤儿 孤兒
gū'ér orphan

> 他十岁时成了孤儿。
> Tā shí suì shí chéng le gū'ér.
> He became an orphan when he was ten.

福利院
fúlìyuàn welfare agency

敬老院
jìnglǎoyuàn senior citizens' home / old folks' home

医疗保险 醫療保險
yīliáobǎoxiǎn medical insurance

> 医疗保险能报销住院费吗?
> Yīliáobǎoxiǎn néng bàoxiāo zhùyuàn fèi ma?
> Does medical insurance cover hospital fees?

小康
xiǎokāng moderately affluent / well-off / a period of peace and prosperity / Xiaokang, a Confucian near-ideal state of society, second only to Datong 大同[Da4 tong2]

> 他家过上了小康生活。
> Tā jiā guò shàng le Xiǎokāng shēnghuó.
> His family now lives a moderately comfortable life.

养老保险 養老保險
yǎnglǎobǎoxiǎn old-age insurance

> 哪里可以办养老保险?
> Nǎlǐ kěyǐ bàn yǎnglǎobǎoxiǎn?
> Where can I sign up for pension insurance?

低保
dībǎo subsistence allowance / welfare (abbr. for 城市居民最低生活保障[cheng2 shi4 ju1 min2 zui4 di1 sheng1 huo2 bao3 zhang4])

> 她家每月领低保。
> Tā jiā měiyuè lǐng dībǎo.
> Her family receives a subsistence allowance every month.

社保
shèbǎo social insurance (abbr. for 社會保險|社会保险[she4 hui4 bao3 xian3])

> 公司每个月都会帮员工交社保。
> Gōngsī měige yuè dōu huì bāng yuángōng jiāo shèbǎo.
> The company pays social insurance for its employees every month.

募捐
mùjuān to solicit contributions / to collect donations

> 街上有几个学生在为孤儿募捐。
> Jiēshang yǒu jǐ ge xuésheng zài wèi gū'ér mùjuān.
> A few students are collecting donations for orphans on the street.

公益事业 公益事業
gōngyìshìyè service to the public / public welfare undertaking / charity / social facility

> 她把赚的钱捐给公益事业。
> Tā bǎ zhuàn de qián juāngěi gōngyìshìyè.
> She donates the money she earns to charity.

温饱 溫飽
wēnbǎo to have enough food and warm clothes / adequately provided

贫富差距 貧富差距
pínfùchājù disparity between rich and poor

扶持
fúchí to help / to assist

> 请扶持一下这位老人。
> Qǐng fúchí yíxià zhèwèi lǎorén.
> Please give this elderly man a hand.

抚恤 撫卹
fǔxù (of an organization that has a duty of care) to give financial support to relatives of sb who has died or suffered serious injury

> 公司抚恤了他的家人。
> Gōngsī fǔxùle tā de jiārén.
> The company gave financial support to his family.

施舍 施捨
shīshě to give in charity / to give alms (to the poor)
chíshě to remit corvée and taxes

基金会 基金會
jījīnhuì foundation (institution supported by an endowment)

> 我姐姐在一家教育基金会工作。
> Wǒ jiějie zài yìjiā jiàoyù jījīnhuì gōngzuò.
> My older sister works at an education foundation.

医保 醫保
yībǎo medical insurance

资助 資助

zīzhù to subsidize / to provide financial aid / subsidy

> 她拒绝了我的资助。
> Tā jùjuéle wǒ de zīzhù.
> She turned down the subsidy that I offered.

阶层 階層

jiēcéng social class

> 他来自普通的工人阶层。
> Tā láizì pǔtōng de gōngrén jiēcéng.
> He comes from an ordinary working-class background.

乞丐

qǐgài beggar

> 我不是乞丐。
> Wǒ bú shì qǐgài.
> I'm not a beggar.

补助 補助

bǔzhù to subsidize / subsidy / allowance

> 你知道这项补助怎么申请吗?
> Nǐ zhīdào zhè xiàng bǔzhù zěnme shēnqǐng ma?
> Do you know how to apply for this subsidy?

捐献 捐獻

juānxiàn to donate / to contribute

> 你愿意捐献一些钱吗?
> Nǐ yuànyì juānxiàn yìxiē qián ma?
> Would you be willing to donate some money?

接济 接濟

jiējì to give material assistance to

> 失业后，他靠朋友接济过日子。
> Shīyè hòu, tā kào péngyou jiējì guòrìzi.
> After losing his job, he got by on help from his friends.

乞讨 乞討

qǐtǎo to beg / to go begging

> 他没有钱，只好在街上乞讨。
> Tā méiyǒu qián, zhǐhǎo zài jiēshang qǐtǎo.
> He had no money, so he had to beg on the street.

义工 義工

yìgōng volunteer worker / volunteer work

> 做义工让我学到很多。
> Zuò yìgōng ràng wǒ xuédào hěn duō.
> Doing volunteer work has taught me a lot.

社会工作者 社會工作者

shèhuìgōngzuòzhě social worker

> 我姐姐想当社会工作者。
> Wǒ jiějie xiǎng dāng shèhuìgōngzuòzhě.
> My older sister wants to become a social worker.

Outside HSK

公积金 公積金

gōngjījīn official reserves / accumulated fund

五险一金 五險一金

wǔxiǎnyījīn employment benefits package mandated by labor laws in China, consisting of five insurances (pension, medical, unemployment, work injury, and maternity) and a housing fund

善款

shànkuǎn contributions / donations

> 这笔善款会送到山区学校。
> Zhè bǐ shànkuǎn huì sòng dào shānqū xuéxiào.
> These donations will be sent to a school in the mountains.

助学金 助學金

zhùxuéjīn student grant / education grant / scholarship