

A photograph showing the lower bodies and hands of two women sitting in a wheelchair. The woman on the left is wearing a vibrant, multi-colored patterned dress (red, blue, orange, and white). The woman on the right is wearing a bright yellow dress with a white floral pattern. Their hands are clasped together in the center of the frame. The wheelchair's metal frame is visible in the foreground.

the Experience of women-lead
DPO helping vulnerable
disabled women in covid-19

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Background

Status of women with disabilities affected by the covid-19

1: physical and mental stress.

Due to the various anxiety and bad information of the epidemic of covid-19 in the beginning of 2020, as the epidemic becomes more serious, various information increases on social media, and fake news is also flooded in internet, leading the pressure and panic to the community crow.

2: Employment risks.

- Most people with disabilities and women with disabilities in their communities have not returned to work in time, especially women with disabilities working in Beijing who are affected by the new coronavirus, so they are at risk of unemployment or have been fired. Many disabled women who are engaged in freelance job also been severely affected due to their physical challenges. For example, the stores they operate cannot open normally. Considering this situation, most people will face psychological problems such as depression, panic, and uncertainty about the future.

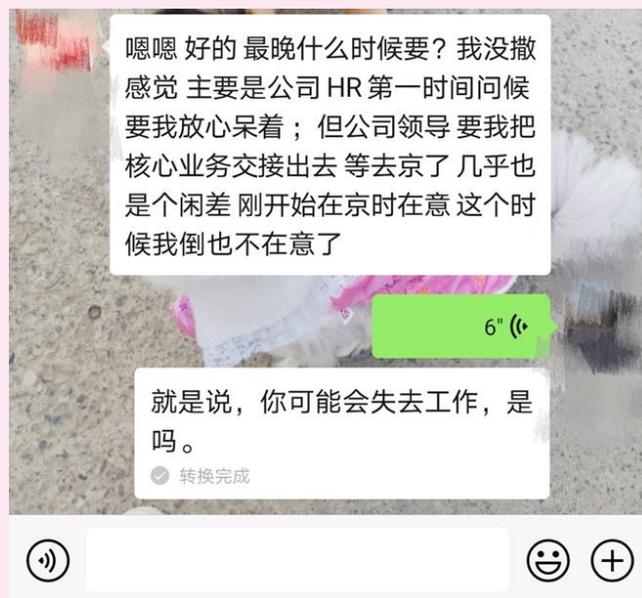
3, practical financial challenges.

- They face actual financial difficulties, such as the shortage of materials, and even the rent cannot be afforded. During the outbreak of covid-19, people with disabilities will be the main group have been threatened, and women with disabilities are already lacking competitiveness in the employment markets, so the negative impact for them is even deeper.

4, family relationship issues.

- Getting along with their parents and self-reliance have been affected. Some people with disabilities in the interviews, because they have the habit of living independently, will not be suitable for getting along with their parents when they return to their parents' homes. There are still some disabled people at home, actively learning some new life skills, learning to do some new situation and housework, then these two kinds of disabled people can learn from each other to help communicate and alleviate our internal problems.

案例1：疫情期间，我被 迫失业了(case one: I lose my job)



- Yang Yang (pseudonym) is a high-level paraplegic woman. She works as a customer service in a hotel chain in Beijing. With her sweet voice, her life is decent. But the arrival of the epidemic covid-19, the hotel industry had hit hard by a strike, the company is still in a semi-open, the company's performance has plummeted. In the latest list of "fired", Because of the psychological pressure caused by unemployment, Yang Yang's mental health is getting worse and worse, causing anxiety and frustration in her future life.

案例2：疫情 中，我被房东 赶出了出租屋 (kick out by host)

- An An (pseudonym) is a physically handicapped woman. She went to a good company and started living in Beijing through her professional skills. However, because she is a Hubei citizen, the landlord no longer rents her house. In Hubei, she can only ask the housing agent to pack her luggage, and she cannot see the house in person, she is assigned to another house by the housing agent and signed with the housing Rental contract. At the same time, because she was unable to resume work on time, the company asked her to transfer the work to another colleague. After the epidemic, she was worried that she had been forced to lose her job and no income.

案例3：疫情前夕，我把仓库囤满了货， 本想春节期间多卖些货 Warehouse full

- Qiqi (pseudonym) is a handicapped woman with cerebral palsy. As a small trader with disabilities in Beijing, she originally planned to sell more goods during the Spring Festival. So she and her husband added part of the savings to the loan and stocked some goods. I hope I can sell more during the Chinese New Year and bring more money back to my hometown to honor my elderly parents. But the sudden epidemic prevented the store from opening. The monthly rent, inventory pressure, and loans created even stronger pressure, which made her and her husband feel bad every day. The economic crisis came so quietly. Even if the country has a policy remedy, it is still a drop in the bucket for them ◦

图：仓库中
囤积的货物





解决该问题的必要性：how to low down the pressure

- Socially disadvantaged groups will be the first victims at the moment of disaster. The fact is that because the welfare system requires the intervention and improvement of civil society organizations, people with disabilities have less opportunities in the disaster response system because of physical challenges. Due to the limited education level of the disability group itself, the access of information is narrow, the surrounding support system is lacking, and the support in the process of self-help is also lacking. People facing the unemployed at a high risk due to the benefit of the company.



解决方案：中 国政策支持 (Solutions: Chinese policy)

- 2020年3月12日，中国残联印发《关于积极应对新冠肺炎疫情 有序推进贫困残疾人脱贫攻坚工作的通知》
- On March 12, 2020, the China Disabled Persons' Federation issued the "Notice on Actively Responding to the New Coronary Pneumonia Epidemic and Orderly Promoting Poverty Alleviation Work for Impoverished People with Disabilities"

疫情下残障女性的
帮扶(Sanitary
napkin distribution)
161 bags



疫情下系列活动

——生理卫生
用品等发放



电商直播创业支持 (practice of local business model)

- 直播摆摊卖货
轮椅夫妻直播创业
Set up a stall in douying





我们在一起 就会了不起



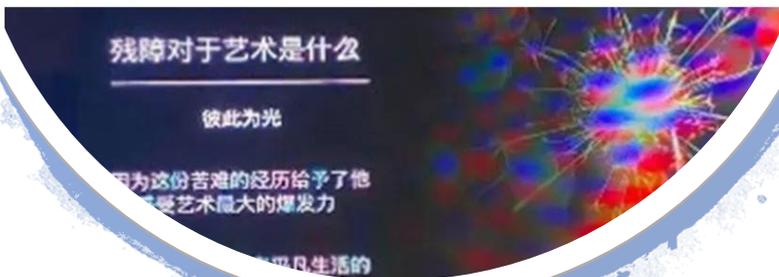
Video
making for
women with
disability
community
employment
advocating



我们一起用艺术
文化助残
建设正能量社区
(community arts
therapy)



▲民生美术馆无障碍参访活动



与建国门温馨家园联合举办

Why arts can build peace
arts is the light for many people with
disabilities

// 线下工作坊：2期

// 服务人次：60人次

旨在通过艺术疗愈系列活动来支持社区弱
的生活质量的提升，为困境中弱势群体的
希望。

the summary and outlook during the post-epidemic period

- 1 Strengthen community cooperation and improve the ability of grassroots support for the disabled
- 2 Combining online and offline methods to serve the disabled at the grassroots level
- 3 Professional development of vocational education for People with disability.
- 4 Promote the construction of an inclusive culture at the grassroots level in the community-the community social work capacity of the Healing Department