



Monthly Commentary

After a busy summer that focused on our fundraising and community events and Beijing's cultural heritage, in this Heritage Update we would like share with you more about our three current ethnic minority revitalization projects.

This year we have commenced a [Menglian Weaving Revival Project](#), which is a continuation of the [Mengma Archive](#). The *Menglian Weaving Revival Project* will help empower the Menglian minority to revitalize their weaving traditions and promote cultural awareness in both the local and wider community, while also providing a sustainable income alternative for the area. The article [From The Mengma Archive to the "Menglian Ethnic Folk Art Inheritance Association"](#) discusses the development of the weaving project based on what CHP learned during its inaugural minority project: *Mengma Archive*.

Recently, members of the Volunteer Project Team for our *A'er Village Qiang Minority Cultural Revitalization Project* revisited A'er Village. The aim of the visit was to communicate with the volunteers in order to share information about the project's progress, analyze shortcomings and plan the next phase of the project. You can read more about their the results in the [Third Progress Report](#).

Our third minority project, the *Congjiang Archive*, is based in Congjiang, Guizhou. The most recent visit by the Volunteer Project Team to the area, accompanied by Mr Li Jiangping from UNESCO, was to review the midterm evaluation results and the cultural calendar and cultural map that the villagers are creating. A summary of this visit is in the [Congjiang Archive 7th Visit Report](#).

We would also like to thank our supporters who have already donated through [Zhifubao](#) to our Cultural Action Network and Media Training Program!

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Articles

From The Mengma Archive to the "Menglian Ethnic Folk Art Inheritance Association"

The Mengma Archive Project was CHP's first Ethnic Minority Culture Revitalization Project, and took place in 2004-2008. Now in 2010, CHP has started a one-year Menglian Weaving Revival Project to continue our work in the Menglian area. To implement this project together with the local villagers, it is important to review our previous work and also the different elements of this new revitalisation project.

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Project Updates

A'er Village

The Third Progress Report of A'er Village Qiang Minority Cultural Revitalization



It is nearly one year since the creation of a Local Volunteer Team in A'er Village for our A'er Village Qiang Minority Cultural Revitalization Project. Recently CHP's Project Volunteer Team paid another visit to A'er Village to talk with the local volunteers about the project's progress and to identify any project problems. The local villagers provided insightful feedback on areas they believe need improvement, as well as how they have been documenting their traditions and cultural heritage.

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Congjiang Archive

Congjiang Archive Project: 7th Report

The Volunteer Project Team for the *Congjiang Archive* has produced a *Congjiang Archive 7th Visit Report* after having recently visited the area to review the project's progress. A UNESCO Officer accompanied the team. Activities included training, working with villagers to produce a cultural calendar and cultural map, and conveying to the local government about the project's successes through a Midterm Progress Report.

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CHP Support

Do You Hutong? fundraiser: RMB 37,310

Expenditure: RMB 32,862

Media mobilization

[BON] [Do You Hutong? video on BON TV](#) | August 18, 2010



Roseann Lake talks with CHP about *Do You Hutong?*, CHP's innovative fundraising event in support of the Chinese Heritage Protection held in July, and its work across Chinese communities.

The video was shown as part of BON's Easy China programme. Easy China is presented by foreigners living in China and introduces the changes taking place in China, the Chinese culture, Chinese policies, facilities and services.

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[Global Times] [Forbidden City makeover to prevent tourist damage](#) | August 20, 2010

[China Daily] [Overdevelopment is destroying China's heritage, says official](#) | August 4, 2010

[Global Times] [Geographic wonder a heritage site](#) | August 3, 2010