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Civil Society Under the Pandemic – A Study on Its Role in Urban China

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To what extent is civil society vital to the state's resilience in responding to COVID-19 in China? Has China's state-civil society relations changed during this pandemic? After revisiting the existing debate, this study examines how Chinese urban residents assisted the neighborhood committees in enabling the zero-COVID policy and survived through self-organized mutual aid in lockdown. Based on the grounded theory, this study focuses on city A and its surrounding areas, which experienced a large-scale lockdown in 2022 and witnessed the indispensable role played by its residents. Stratified purposeful sampling was adopted by various identities or roles of City A's residents during the lockdown. Between February and September 2023, over 50 interviewees were recruited for semi-structured, in-depth interviews. Interviewee recruitment stopped when data saturation was reached. Data analysis is performed on NVivo 14 and is still in progress. The findings suggest that Chinese urban residents contributed significantly to enabling the zero-COVID policy and the state's resilience in responding to this pandemic, indicating potential changes in China's state-civil society relations.