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●About this information leaflet

This (weekly) information leaflet is to be distributed at disaster volunteer centers around the prefecture to provide people with information about the activities run by relief volunteers who are assisting disaster victims and helping with the recovery efforts, as well as providing the reader with immediately useful information and relief coordination. Please send any thoughts or comments to the following address.

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Volunteer Report 1 Sanda City, Hyogo Prefecture: Bazaar to Support Vocational Facilities in Fukushima

From our experience with the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake, we know that some businesses get into trouble because they can't sell their products. We want to help them.



In Golden Week, many volunteers worked in the disaster area. Even far away from the area, a lot of people carried out various activities as well. For example, in Sanda City, Hyogo Prefecture, Network Sanda held a bazaar. Goods made at three vocational facilities in Fukushima were sold there.

Mr. Suehiro Sakai (from hand-woven fabric workshop "Yu"), who had been through the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake, proposed this event. He said "Many vocational facilities were damaged directly or indirectly by the disaster in Kobe and had to shut down. No bazaar was held in the disaster area and there was no opportunity for them to sell their products."

At the bazaar, they sold goods made in "Nanohana Home" (Fukushima City), "Workshop Asunaro" (Koriyama City), and "Workshop Yu" (Shirakawa City). This event was held in partnership with NPO Charoom (Fukushima City), which has been familiar to Network Sanda for some time now.



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Making Full Use of This Magazine "HEARTFULL FUKUSHIMA SUPPLEMENTARY ISSUE (Fukushima Disaster Volunteer Center Magazine)"

The staff of Fukushima Federation of the Deaf visits refugees in and around Fukushima Prefecture to take care of hearing impaired victims. The other day, one of the staff handed out this magazine to evacuees in gymnasiums and inns in Nagaoka City, Niigata Prefecture. People said "We lack information, so the information sent from Fukushima is very valuable and appreciated." Vice Chairman Hideyuki Nishiyama said "We'd like to continue to visit deaf people who are suffering from anxiety. And we will hand out this paper to let them know as much as possible about the current situation in Fukushima."

We make good use of the magazine!



Hideyuki Nishiyama, Vice Chairman, on the right (in Iwaki City)

Introducing Disaster Volunteer Centers

★ Fukushima Disaster Volunteer Center

This issue explains the activities of the Fukushima Disaster Volunteer Center.

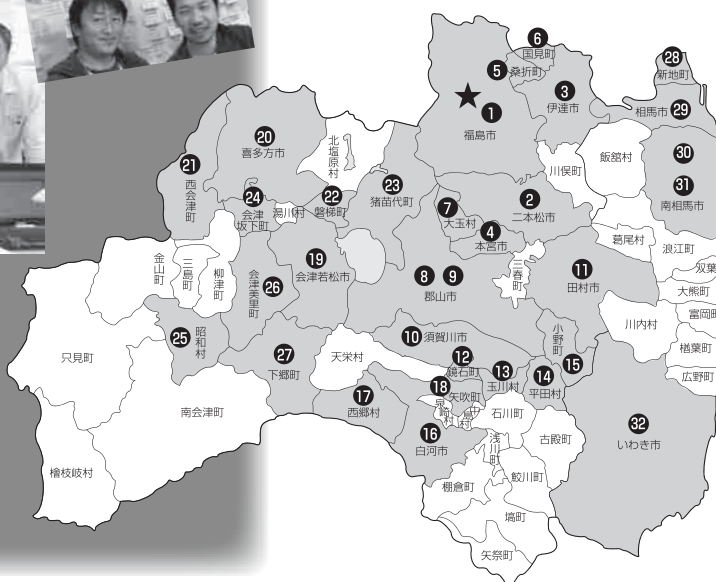
The Center is administered thanks to the cooperation of many people and organizations, such as Fukushima Prefecture Council of Social Welfare, Fukushima Branch of Japanese Red Cross Society, and Fukushima Community Chest Association with Fukushima Disaster Volunteer Liaison Council playing the key role. For example, voluntary corporations answer inquiries from inside and outside the prefecture, while Utsukushima NPO Network helps with procurement of supplies and equipment and cooperation with other NPOs within the prefecture that are necessary for the administration of municipal disaster volunteer centers. Utsukushima Branch (NPO) and Japan Volunteer Coordinators Association give assistance by editing information in bulletins and websites, and the staff of the Councils of Social Welfare from Kanto and Fukuoka areas coordinate general affairs, including the scheduling of support staff.

It is almost three months since the disaster, and the Center is planning 1) to strengthen cooperation with municipal disaster volunteer centers and the Council of Social Welfare, 2) to reinforce information transmission, 3) to support relocated evacuees, 4) to support the activities of the relocated Council of Social Welfare, and 5) to support temporary housing. The underlying four principles for its activities are 1) promoting the independence of disaster victims, 2) cooperation with concerned organizations, 3) safety and health, and 4) dispelling harmful rumors. The Center will take good care from various perspectives as it strives to help disaster victims benefit in the best possible way from the kindness and support of people in the prefecture and from all over the country.



Disaster Volunteer Centers Map

Available at 32 locations, as of June 2nd.



★ Fukushima Disaster Volunteer Center TEL:024-522-6540

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| North | ① Fukushima City Disaster Volunteer Center | Central | ⑨ 'Odagaisama' Center
Big Palette Fukushima Life Support Volunteer Center | South | ⑬ Nishigo-mura Disaster Volunteer Center | Aizu | ⑮ Showa-mura Disaster Volunteer Center |
| | ② Nihonmatsu City Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑩ Sukagawa City Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑭ Yabuki-machi Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑯ Aizumisato-machi Disaster Volunteer Center |
| | ③ Date City Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑪ Tamura City Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑰ Aizuwakamatsu City Disaster Volunteer Center | Minami Aizu | ⑰ Shimogo-machi Disaster Volunteer Center |
| | ④ Motomiya City Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑫ Kagamiishi-machi Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑱ Kitakata City Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑱ Shinichi-machi Disaster Volunteer Center |
| | ⑤ Kori-machi Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑬ Tamakawa-mura Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑲ Nishiaizu-machi Disaster Volunteer Center | Soso | ⑲ Soma City Disaster Volunteer Center |
| | ⑥ Kunimi-machi Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑭ Hirata-mura Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑳ Bandai-machi Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑳ Minamisoma City Disaster Volunteer Center, Kashima-ku |
| | ⑦ Otama-mura Disaster Volunteer Center | | ⑮ Ono-machi Disaster Volunteer Center | | ㉑ Inawashiro-machi Disaster Volunteer Center | | ㉑ Minamisoma City Disaster Volunteer Center, Haramachi-ku |
| Central | ⑧ Koriyama City Disaster Volunteer Center | South | ⑯ Shirakawa City Disaster Volunteer Center | | ㉒ Aizubange-machi Disaster Volunteer Center | Iwaki | ㉒ Iwaki City Disaster Relief Volunteer Center |