

Caritas Japan Annual Report 2019



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From Our President

We want to express our sincere thanks to everyone who supports the activities of Caritas Japan and send you our annual report for 2019.

In November 2019, Pope Francis made a visit to Japan with the theme PROTECT ALL LIFE. At a gathering with victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake, he said, "No one 'rebuilds' by himself or herself; nobody can start over alone. We have to find a friendly and fraternal hand, capable of helping to raise ... our horizon and our hope." He emphasized the importance of supporting one another to protect life.

For the past two years, Caritas conducted a global campaign to support refugees and migrants. The many people who are forced to leave their home countries for various reasons all have different stories. By listening to those stories, we can support them and protect each life. The international SHARE THE JOURNEY CAMPAIGN that continued until the end of 2019 called for that with the aim of creating a world in which no one is excluded. Thank you to everyone who cooperated in the campaign activities.

It is nearly 10 years since the Great East Japan Earthquake. For Caritas Japan, reconstruction assistance remains a priority for its activities.

This year the coronavirus pandemic has increased the threat to life. The resulting isolation for various reasons including economic deterioration is causing the number of people facing crises to increase rapidly.

Caritas Japan will continue to raise awareness in Japan and build a world full of God's love while tackling the challenges of these crises. We ask for your continued understanding and cooperation to PROTECT ALL LIFE.

Isao Kikuchi, Archbishop of Tokyo
President, Caritas Japan

Our Funds

Caritas Japan depends solely on donations from individual donors in Japan and does not receive any public funds or government subsidies. These donations are made either by direct contribution from individual donors or through special collections organized by dioceses, parishes and other institutions.

Amount of total donation 2019 ¥ 236,395,344

Lenten Collection	¥ 59,606,584
For Domestic Assistance	¥ 12,045,647
For Overseas Assistance	¥ 21,191,689
For Domestic Emergencies	¥ 84,179,628
For Overseas Emergencies	¥ 5,307,005
Christmas Donation	¥ 22,021,130
Donation from monthly supporters	¥ 7,903,399
Support for Caritas Japan	¥ 6,026,404
For the Great East Japan Earthquake	¥ 18,113,858

Aid Activities

2019 Aid Total

¥305,648,891

Overseas Aid

Country	Activity	Aid Organization	Amount (Yen)
Bahamas	Hurricane Dorian - Rebuilding for Resilience (EA28/19)	Caritas Bahamas	544,650
Bangladesh	Education Program for Ethnic Children	Caritas Bangladesh	5,498,137
Bangladesh	Caritas Response to Forcibly Displaced People of Myanmar in Bangladesh (EA03/19)	Caritas Bangladesh	1,106,000
Bangladesh	Early Recovery Program for People Severely Affected by Floods 2019 (EA25/19)	Caritas Bangladesh	537,100
Bangladesh	Emergency and Recovery Programs for Cyclone Bulbul 2019 (EA31/19)	Caritas Bangladesh	547,350
Burkina Faso	Assistance for People Displaced Internally by Bad Security Situation, and Their Host Families (EA19/19)	Caritas Burkina Faso	532,550
Cambodia	Youth Development Program 2018-2020 (Year 2/3)	Caritas Cambodia	1,659,000
Cambodia	Vocational Skills Development Center Support Project	Caritas Cambodia	2,212,000
Cambodia	Youth Development Program 2018-2020 (Year 3/3)	Caritas Cambodia	1,092,200
Cambodia	Prevention of Human Trafficking and Vocational Skill Development Center for Vulnerable Women 2020 (Year 3/4)	Caritas Cambodia	2,184,400
DR Congo	Mobilization Assistance for the People Affected by Ebola Virus (EA22/19)	Caritas DR Congo	540,550
Ethiopia	Climate Change Adaptation and Socio-Economic Empowerment Project (Year 2/3)	Caritas Ethiopia	2,878,294
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India	Immediate Relief for Cyclone Victims in Odisha, INDIA (EA13/19)	Caritas India	551,100
India	Immediate Relief and Early Recovery for Communities Affected by Flood and Landslide (EA23/19)	Caritas India	539,850
India	Block Grant 2019/20 (Year 3/3)	Caritas India	5,398,500
Iraq	Emergency Winterization Assistance for Vulnerable Internally Displaced People (EA26/19)	Caritas Iraq	543,300
Iraq	Hope Project	Caritas Iraq	2,173,200
Jordan	Relief and Recovery Project for Syrian, Iraqi Refugees and Vulnerable Jordanians in Jordan (EA05/17 Year 3)	Caritas Jordan	560,200
Lebanon	Multi-Sector Intervention for Vulnerable Syrians, Iraqi Refugees and Host Communities in Lebanon (EA23/17 Year 3)	Caritas Lebanon	540,150
Malawi	Food Insecurity Response Program for 2019 (EA02/19)	Caritas Malawi	553,000
Mali	Assistance for People Internally Displaced by Ethnic Conflict, and Their Host Families	Caritas Mali	593,750
Mexico	Housing Construction and Support for Communities Affected by Earthquakes. Disaster Risk Reduction	Caritas Mexico	14,129,550
Mongolia	Support for Day Care Center for Children	Caritas Mongolia	2,725,250
Mongolia	Caritas Mongolia Administrative Support 2020	Caritas Mongolia	2,725,250
Mozambique	Recovery Response to Cyclones Idai, Kenneth & Floods (EA15/19)	Caritas Mozambique	1,080,300
Mozambique	Assistance to Floods & Cyclone Victims (EA07/19)	Caritas Mozambique	560,200
Myanmar	Promotion of Safe Migration and Reducing Labour Exploitation (Year 1/2)	KMSS	3,548,360
Myanmar	Building Resilient Livelihoods in Seven Vulnerable Villages, Pekhon Township	KMSS Pekkha	1,622,298
Nepal	Flood Response and Early Recovery Program (EA20/19)	Caritas Nepal	532,550
Nepal	Nepal Tornado Response and Early Recovery Programme	Caritas Nepal	612,850

Niger	Reconstruction and Food Assistance for the Region in Diffa by Attacked by Anti-Government Force (EA16/19)	Caritas Niger	606,350
Nigeria	Support for Victims of Boko Haram (EA24/19)	Caritas Nigeria	590,500
Pakistan	Heavy Rain and Flood Response 2019 (EA12/19)	Caritas Pakistan	616,650
Pakistan	Building Resilient Communities through Community-Based Disaster Risk Management Initiatives	Caritas Pakistan	1,099,100
Pakistan	Peace-Building Initiatives for Conflict Prevention, Interfaith and Social Harmony in Pakistan	Caritas Pakistan	1,099,100
Pakistan	Heavy Rain and Flood Response 2019 (EA21/19)	Caritas Pakistan	590,500
Pakistan	Pakistan Earthquake Response (EA27/19)	Caritas Pakistan	603,350
Palestine	Providing Essential Medical and Social Services to the Needy in Palestine 2020	Caritas Jerusalem	2,180,200
Palestine	Mobile Medical Team Project in Gaza (EA05/19)	Caritas Jerusalem	629,300
Philippines	Emergency Assistance for Communities Affected by Tropical Depression Usman (EA01/19)	NASSA	626,150
Philippines	Emergency and Early Recovery Assistance to People Affected by 6.6 Magnitude Earthquake (EA30/19)	NASSA	601,550
Rwanda	Support for Mahara Refugee Camp (EA10/19)	Caritas Rwanda	609,100
South Sudan	Support for Vulnerable Communities to Recover from Conflict and Co-Exist Peacefully (EA04/19)	Caritas South Sudan	1,258,000
Sri Lanka	Empowerment of Plantation Women and Sri Lankan Families Returning from South India	Caritas Sri Lanka	4,433,302
Sudan	Darfur Programme 2019 (EA03/18, Year 2)	CAFOD	1,117,000
Syria	Helping Vulnerable Families in Urban Aleppo Recover from the Conflict and Rebuild their lives and Communities (EA16/18 Year 2)	Caritas Syria	605,750
Syria	Humanitarian Assistance for Displaced Syrians	Caritas Syria	1,205,400
Syria	Humanitarian Support for Syrian IDP's, Vulnerable Local Families and Refugees in Al-Jazeera region in Syria	Caritas Syria	1,211,500
Syria	Aid to Conflict-Affected Families of Eastern Ghouta and Damascus to Rebuild their Lives and Communities (EA14/19)	Caritas Syria	606,850
Thailand	Safe Migration and Anti Human Trafficking	Caritas Asia	2,735,250
Togo	Institutional Development for the Engagement and Sustainability of Caritas in Southern Africa (Year 2/2)	Caritas Africa	2,171,400
Uganda	Sustainable Agricultural Project (Year2/3)	Caritas Uganda	7,948,570
Uganda	Enhancing Livelihoods and Resilience of Refugees & Host Communities (EA18/19)	Caritas Uganda	593,750
Ukraine	Improving Access to Safe Drinking Water in Eastern Ukraine (EA09/19)	Caritas Ukraine	617,100
Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe Cyclone Idai Response (EA11/19)	Caritas Zimbabwe	547,050
Total Overseas Aid			95,393,196

Domestic Aid

Diocese	Activity	Aid Organization	Amount(Yen)
Sendai	Emergency Assistance, Typhoon#19	Caritas Minami-souma	3,000,000
Sendai	Emergency Assistance, Distribution of Electric Heater, Typhoon#19	Caritas Minami-souma	8,850,000
Saitama	Mobile Clinic / North Kanto medical relief	North Kanto medical relief	1,000,000
Tokyo	In-kind assistance for the afflicted people of Hokkaido earth quake	JVOAD(Japan Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster)	2,898,763
Tokyo	In-kind assistance in Okayama, Ehime, and Hiroshima in the aftermath of Typhoon #19	JVOAD(Japan Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster)	30,000,000
Tokyo	Migrant rights campaign 2020 "koko-ni-iru" phase 3/3	SNMJ	1,300,000
Tokyo	Counter arbitrary detentions against migrants and asylum seekers and refugees	Lawyers' working group against arbitrary detention at immigration detention center	3,000,000
Tokyo	Shelter provision for the people under a provisional release	Mother House	1,051,600
Yokohama	Construction of a self-reliance support center	Grace Road	1,000,000
Nagoya	Shelter operation for Migrant workers	Labor consultation.com	2,500,000
Osaka	Future for children	SINAPIS Archdiocese of Osaka	2,000,000
Naha	Launch of Okinawa DARC Women's House Project	DARC Okinawa	2,000,000
Hiroshima	Assistance in the aftermath of heavy rain in West Japan	Caritas Hiroshima Support Center	14,585,037
Fukuoka	Provision of home appliances, etc. in temporary housing	KVOAD (Kumamoto Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster)	8,990,954
Total Domestic Aid (excluding Great East Japan Earthquake Aid)			90,060,414

Great East Japan Earthquake Aid

Diocese	Activity	Aid Organization	Amount (Yen)
Sendai	2019 recovery programs	Sendai diocese Support Center and Ishinomaki Base	26,953,330
Sendai	2019 recovery programs	Caritas Kamaishi	31,160,000
Saitama	Construction of support system for evacuees from nuclear accident at Fukushima in 2019	Saitama Diocese Support Center	2,690,581
Tokyo	Support system construction for disaster evacuees inside and outside Fukushima prefecture, 9 th year (2019)	CTVC	33,644,068
Osaka province	Recovery programs in 2019	Ofunato Base	14,542,698
Osaka Province	Recovery programs in 2019	Minami Sanriku Base	11,204,604
Total Great East Japan Earthquake Aid			120,195,281

Lenten Campaign 2019

■Message of the Holy Father Francis for Lent 2019

"For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God" (Rom 8:19)

■Lenten Booklet 2019

Circulation 58,000

Pope Francis' Lenten message, introduction to Caritas-sponsored projects

■Collection box for children

Circulation 24,000

■Contribution envelopes

Circulation 61,000



Caritas Japan President & Secretaries (2019 – 2022)

2019.4.1 – 2022.3.31 (3-year term)

■President : Abp. Tarcisio Isao Kikuchi, S.V.D.

■Directors :

Hitomi Katsu/Sr. (The Missionary Sisters of Christ the King)

Takshi Seto/Fr. (Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer)



Caritas Internationalis 21th General Assembly

Every four years the Caritas confederation comes together in Rome to review its progress and policies, to elect officials and to discuss and take key decisions for its future.

■Special Theme

One Human Family, One Common Home

■Election Officials:

President : Cardinal Luis Antonio Gokim Tagle

Secretary General : Aloysius John

■The Strategic Framework

1. Caritas at the heart of the Church
2. Reduce risk, save lives, rebuild communities
3. Promote sustainable integral human development and care for creation
4. Build global solidarity
5. Increase the effectiveness of the Caritas confederation



Diocesan Collaborator's Meeting

■2019 Annual Meeting of diocesan collaborators

2019.10.29 – 30 at Niigata Diocesan Cathedral

Agendas: New formation for the secretariat of Caritas Japan/

Caritas Japan Strategic Framework/Checking the Photo

Exhibition for the Share the Journey Campaign



Social Awareness Group × Share the Journey

■Questionnaire survey

“Make your voice heard” project of the Caritas Education Group calls for examples of discrimination in the Church.

About 30 were received and were published in We are Caritas, No. 15 (April 2019 issue).



Share the Journey Campaign

■Photo exhibition (December 2018 – September 2019)

Presented in 142 venues in all 16 dioceses, including parishes, institutions, schools, etc. in 40 prefectures. About 1,500 comments, opinions, prayers, etc. were received.

■Questionnaire survey

A survey on the status of churches (multinational congregations in each parish, language-based Masses, etc.) and their relations was sent to 782 churches nationwide on May 10. As of September 12, 469 churches responded. The results were compiled in August and September.

■National Youth Gathering 2019 – Share the Journey –

2019.11.17 09:00 – 16:00 at St. Mary's Cathedral Tokyo (Koln Hall) Participants : 150



Pope Francis' apostolic journey to Japan Meeting with victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake

2019/11/25 10:00 – 11:15 at Bellesalre Hanzo-mon

Approximately 300 participants (about 150 victims from Iwate, Miyagi and Fukushima Prefectures, and 150 Caritas Base staff and collaborators) attended the gathering with Pope Francis where three victims gave testimony before his talk.



* On the cover is a photo mosaic from the pre-event at the International Caritas General Assembly. It shows the faces of Caritas Bangladesh staff working in a Rohingya refugee camp. At the lower right is a photo that Pope Francis himself attached at the time of the general meeting.



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