Activities

Creating Opportunities for People with Disabilities Community Workplace and Day Activity Programs

NPO Taiyo to Midori no Kai provides meaningful work opportunities and daytime activity programs for people with disabilities through the operation of a Community Activity Support Center and a Community Cooperative Workshop.
We currently support approximately 20 individuals with various types of disabilities, ranging in age from their 30s to their 60s.
In August 1984, we established Tokushima Prefecture's first independent small-scale community workshop serving people with physical, intellectual, and mental disabilities. Since then, we have continued to create an inclusive environment where people can work, learn, and participate actively in community life.

Promoting Resource Conservation and a Circular Society

1. Reuse and Recycling of Goods and Recyclable Materials
We collect, repair, reuse, and recycle donated items and recyclable materials.
More than 10,000 collections and donations annually
Approximately 500 tons of materials reused or recycled each year
2. Reducing CO_2 Emissions Through Renewable Energy
We actively practice environmentally sustainable living by utilizing solar energy and natural ventilation systems.
Solar Power Generation Systems
Administration Building: 16.02 kW
Residential Support Building: 6.48 kW
These systems generate much of the electricity used in our facilities.
Solar Water Heating Systems Installed at:
Administration Building
Residential Support Building
Tsukinomiya Workshop
3. Recycling Waste Cooking Oil
We have long promoted the recycling of used cooking oil into environmentally friendly products.
Approximately 5,840 liters of waste cooking oil were converted into biodiesel fuel (2007-2019).
Approximately 5,000 liters of waste cooking oil were recycled into 7.5 tons of powdered soap (1991-2010).
4. River Cleanup Activities
We organize and participate in:
Large-scale community cleanup campaigns
Regular riverbank and riverside cleaning activities
5. Practicing Natural Resource Circulation
We promote sustainable lifestyles by utilizing natural recycling systems in which food waste and organic waste are broken down by beneficial bacteria and returned to productive use.
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Recyclable waste（paper（not shredded）,cardboard, cooking oil, returnable bottle, can）

Supporting Youth Development, Human Rights Education, and Lifelong Learning

1. Educational Visits and Study Tours
We welcome visitors from throughout Tokushima and across Japan, including:
Welfare and community organizations
Disability support organizations,
Universities and schools
International visitors and researchers
Environmental and community development groups
Past visitors have included participants in JICA training programs, university students, welfare professionals, local government groups, and elementary school environmental education programs.
2. Training Programs, Volunteer Experiences, and Internships
We provide hands-on learning opportunities for:
Students
(Junior high schools,High schools,Universities
Special support schools)
Working Adults and Professionals
Government employee NPO training programs
Social welfare work experience programs
Volunteer training programs,Community business seminars
Youth employment support programs
Internship and on-the-job training opportunities
International students from countries including Myanmar, Uganda, and Indonesia
3. Information Sharing and Public Awareness
We publish:A quarterly newsletter (1,000 copies per issue)
A website featuring updates on our activities and community initiatives
4. Workshops, Events, and Public Lectures
We regularly organize:
Community events
Educational workshops
Seminars and training sessions
Public speaking and outreach activities

Supporting Other Organizations and Communities

1. Grantmaking Programs
Over a period of 31 years, our welfare foundation has provided grants totaling more than ¥16 million to support nonprofit organizations and community initiatives.
Supported activities include:
Assistance for people experiencing homelessness
Disaster relief efforts
Disability support initiatives
Volunteer development programs
Capacity-building and intermediary support organizations
International aid projects in Kenya, Zambia, and Afghanistan
Support for communities affected by disasters such as the Great East Japan Earthquake and the Kumamoto Earthquake
2. Donations of Funds and Goods
We provide support through:
Financial contributions
Donations of supplies and equipment
Emergency assistance efforts
3. Collaboration with Disability Support Organizations
We work closely with:
Community workshops for people with disabilities
Support service providers
Community Activity Support Centers
Other welfare-related organizations
4. Partnerships with Nonprofit Organizations
We actively cooperate with nonprofit organizations and community groups both in Japan and abroad to promote shared social and environmental goals.
5. International Cooperation
We contribute to international exchange, cooperation, and support activities that promote sustainable development, community empowerment, and social inclusion.

Breakdown of Funding Sources for Operating Activities

Self-Generated Revenue: 79.2%
Public Grants and Subsidies: 19.0%
Private Grants, Membership Fees, and Donations: 1.8%