



Annual Report 2020

YWCA of Japan

Profile

YWCA (Young Women's Christian Association) is an international NGO where, upon a Christian foundation, women from around the world exceed the barriers of language and cultures and work together to encourage women's participation in society and to realize a peaceful world where human rights, health and environment is protected. The movement began in Great Britain in 1855, and nowadays, 25million women are working in more than 100 countries throughout the world. The YWCA of Japan works with 24 local YWCAs and 37 junior and senior high-school YWCAs, in order to empower women, children and older people, who are put in vulnerable situations, as well as to train and nurture leaders stipulated in our vision.

Vision

A society in which women demonstrate leadership and value human rights, peace, and the environment

Mission

Empower young women and promote social change together

Value

1. Christian Base

Learn from Jesus Christ and realize a world where all can live together.

2. Peace and Environment

The peace Constitution of Japan is fully embodied, free from nuclear energy/ weapons and violence

3. Human Rights

Respect the diversity in race, nationality, religion, gender, origin, age etc. each other, and create a society in which everyone can live as they are under gender equality.

4. Safe Space

Volunteers take the initiative in promoting the program, and all activities will be democratically managed through multi-generational collaboration.

We will always create a safe and secure space for everyone and make a place where everyone can be empowered.

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Pandemic of New Coronavirus and Activities of YWCA

COVID-19 that has spread to the world since the beginning of 2020 has had a serious impact on the lives of each of us to this day. Under such conditions, difficulties including an increase in domestic violence, the disruption of income due to the unstable economic base and employment, the unbalanced domestic labor burden, and the social and mental isolation put women, especially young women in difficult positions.

YWCA is working to create and protect safe spaces for women of all ages in 24 locations across Japan and in more than 100 countries around the world. Although we were forced to make major changes in the implementation method in various situations such as the significant transition to online-based activities in fiscal 2020, with the help of many people who have responded to our call for support, we have been working to meet the needs of women, girls, and the community.

<mark>YWCA</mark> of Japan

Held a "Web Safe Space" to prevent isolation of young women and create a place to support each other

Hosted a learning support program "Study in Caro" for elementary and junior high school students at the YWCA activity space Caro Fukushima; distributed items donated from the National Council of YWCAs of China and other organizations to families with children and welfare organizations.

<mark>Regio</mark>nal YWCAs

Kobe YWCA

Distributed handmade masks at places of welfare activity, including nursing care facility "Mago no Te", and during night-time visits to homeless people on streets.

Hiratsuka YWCA

Opened "Wai Wai School" and a children's cafeteria "YY Kitchen", which is an opportunity for children to learn and stay during the school closure period.

Tokyo YWCA

Supporting international students by providing information, funding and scholarships through the "Japanese Mothers for International Students" campaign. The "Ichigo no Heya (Strawberry Room)" program of the Youth Development Division provides a Japanese language learning support program by online for young people with foreign roots, as well as making information available to their parents via email or blog. The "Education Camp" division conducted a virtual camp.

Sapporo YWCA

Continued its "follow-up school" program to provide support for children who are feeling worried or lost and are refusing to go to school or to leave their bedroom, so as to support them to go back to school; held a mini concert to provide healing at Y's Café (Café Rui), produced handmade masks.

Kumamoto YWCA

Continued to keep its cafe and study rooms open to secure a place for young women during the school closure period.

🛑 Hiroshima YWCA

Sent a handmade message of support to hospitals in the city.

Nagoya YWCA

Distributed a video calling for "hand washing", and provided mental care through women's counseling.

Kyoto YWCA

Providing a telephone consultation service for residents with foreign roots and background. Implemented online chat -"Cafe Frieden" as a safe space to share thoughts on the COVID-19 disaster.

Because of the drastic changes in the situation, we believe it is important to continue the activities that YWCA has carried out in each local region, including proposals for realizing a society where all people are respected, training programs to enable women to demonstrate leadership in society, supporting for women and children living in the areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake.



Web Safe Space for Young Women



Distribution of handmade masks by Kobe YWCA



Wai Wai School in Hiratsuka YWCA

Leadership Training for Young Women

Japan-Korea Youth Conference

"Safe space" to take action

"Japan-Korea Youth Conference" is a program where young people from Japan and South Korea meet and discuss issues common to both countries every two years. In fiscal 2020, we launched the "Online Feminism Movement" – implementing the plans agreed during last year's program as a unique action initiated by YWCA of Japan. The four "Online Chats" focused on what makes young people feel that "something is wrong", and served as a place to think about familiar themes such as birth control pills, domestic work, LGBTIQ and labor, religion and gender/sexuality together from the perspective of the same generation. In the campaign on SNS, we introduced books and movies, explained terms related to feminism from the materials of World YWCA, and conducted a participatory campaign in which each person shared their experience of the difficulty in life around gender-related issues.







Members of Japan-Korean Youth Conference



Online Chats

Voice of Participants

• It was the two hours that changed me the most in 2020. The chat was a great opportunity for me and turned my life in a positive direction. I am aiming to be an elementary school teacher, so I want to be an educator who can convey what I learned and felt here to children. • The university classes are currently online-only and I have no chances for casual discussions and conversations with my friends. For the past few months, I often wondered: "Is it strange that I think so seriously about social issues…?". I was mentally struggling for a long time but I was able to decide on participating in this program at last. Thanks to the program, I was able to think and talk with peace of mind after a long while, and it almost brought me to tears.

Pilgrimage to Hiroshima

A year of thinking about "how to communicate in this situation"

The Pilgrimage to Hiroshima is a 3 to 4 days program which is held in Hiroshima, in the hope of learning the importance of peace and to realize a peaceful world together, so that tragedies caused by nuclear weapons will never be repeated again. Launched in 1971, it will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2021. In fiscal 2020, when the "face-to-face program" could not be implemented due to the influence of COVID-19, we held two activities online. One is "Summer Flowers" read with Yoko Takehara (a researcher of Tamiki Hara). It was time to listen to "Tamiki's footprints" in Ms. Takehara's words and think of Hiroshima -the day when the atomic bomb was dropped. The other is the online campaign "50th

Anniversary Site for Pilgrimage to Hiroshima" (https: // ywcajapan.wixsite.com/hiroshima50th) opened on August 6, 2020. Toward August 2021, we will continue our "journey" to convey "Hiroshima" from various perspectives, considering the actual situation of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and the history of the harm done by the imperial Japanese military at the time.



Online Campaign "50th Anniversary Site for Pilgrimage to Hiroshima



Photo of Summer Flowers

National Youth Gathering

October 4, 2020 (Sun) @ Online / Hirosaki / Sendai / Tokyo / Kumamoto YWCA.

Welcome to YWCA -Meet and Network

Nationwide youth who are involved in YWCA gathered together to strengthen the network. Due to the influence of COVID-19, the meeting was not held in Hirosaki, Aomori Prefecture, which was originally planned, but it was realized in a hybrid format with regional bases and online participation. At the gathering, the participants listened to lectures on the dangers of nuclear fuel and the history of the anti-nuclear movement of Hirosaki YWCA. We exchanged opinions on three themes 1) The world without nuclear, 2) Issues under the pandemic of Covid-19, and 3) Multigenerational collaboration.



Product of Group Work

Voice of Participant

When thinking about the issue of nuclear power, the first thing that comes to mind is the issue of disaster prevention, environmental impact, discrimination against nuclear power plant workers and neighbors, and reputational damage. However, when I learned that when constructing a nuclear power plant, they chose "a remote place so that the large cities can be protected even if something happens" such as a suburban city or village without industry, I was shocked that there is a human rights violation there. I, as the person who is benefiting from the sacrifice of someone, should not just grateful to the local residents of the nuclear power plant, but to know the current situation and history, to think and act so that the residents can lead a safe life.

Nationwide Core Youth Gathering

September 12th (Sat) -13th (Sun), 2020 @ Online Believing that meaningful participation of youth and multigenerational collaboration will change society

The Core Youth gathering is for the youth who play an active role as board members and officers at YWCAs nationwide, to gather and seek solutions to shared problems through "horizontal connections." Ultimately, the program aims to promote social change not only by youth but also by collaborating with people of various generations and backgrounds.





Photo of Zoom Meeting

I was able to exchange opinions with the youth who are active nationwide, and it was a very meaningful experience. I was reminded that we share similar issues, despite different regions. The YWCA organization and the society in which we live will continue to develop more as the youth are empowered. I will do my best to embody my voice through the committee and the program which I get involved.

The participating youth shared their experiences, knowledge and awareness of the issues, and made concrete proposals for the youth to participate more actively in her YWCA movement and reflect their opinions in the activities.

Junior and Senior High School YWCA Activities

"Web Conference of Schools in Western Japan"

The efforts of the junior and senior high school YWCA, in which 37 schools nationwide participate, have provided a place to "connect with people other than their own school." While the program was canceled one after another due to the COVID-19 pandemic, volunteers held a "Web Conference of Schools in Western Japan." A total of 85 people, including 63 students and 22 teachers from 9 schools in the Kansai and Seinan regions participated and had time to meet while enjoying the even the inconvenience and happenings particular to online conferences. In group work facilitated by youth volunteers, we had time to talk to each other about what we cannot verbalize but feel in our daily life, such as "What is a partnership?" or "What is a comfortable relationship?"



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Slide Used in Conference

"Beijing +25" Advocacy Activities for Gender Equality

25 years since the Beijing Conference, those who know the time and the youth raise voices together

2020 is the international year of milestone related to gender equality, 25 years after the Fourth World Conference on Women (Beijing) in 1995. Beijing Platform for Action, adopted at this conference, is supposed to be the most comprehensive and high-level policy of all international gender documents that governments, international organizations, NGOs and others should take guidance in 12 critical areas of concern. However, despite 25 years of adoption, the road to gender equality is still halfway. In 2020, YWCA of Japan carried out the following activities centered on the "Beijing +25 Team" consisting of 7 youths under the age of 35 out of 10 people.

Workshop "Let's Think! Youth and Internet Society ~ From the Perspective of Feminism~"

September 26, 2020 (Sat) @ National Women's Education Center sponsored "Gender Equality Promotion Forum" (online)

Especially for the youth generation, the Internet is an indispensable and highly influential space for connecting with people. In this workshop, three young women explained the relationship between the psychological burden on young women caused by lookism in Internet society, as well as the influence of neoliberalism from the experiences and perspectives of young women. In addition, they made four proposals for creating a safe and secure internet society without sexual discrimination or sexual violence.



Presentation of NWEC Forum

Submitting Public Comments on the Fifth Basic Plan for Gender Equality

In October 2020, we submitted public comments in response to the Cabinet Office's call for input for the formulation of the fifth Basic Plan for Gender Equality.

The Main Requests of Submitted Public Comments by YWCA of Japan

• Create the basic plan based on the Constitution of Japan in order to respect individuals and diversity, equality under the law, and aim for a peaceful society without violence

Eliminate multiple discriminations against women in vulnerable situations such as Korean women living in Japan, women with foreign roots, women with disabilities, sexual minorities including transgender women, young women, etc.

• Change the legal system and practices which are irrelevantly based on presupposed model households where only the male spouse has a job, and treats the household as a primary social unit, and instead treat the individual as a primary unit.

- Women's voices should be fully reflected in the examination and decision-making process regarding the attraction, operation, and decommissioning of nuclear-related facilities.
- In line with the Beijing Declaration and Code of Conduct, for peacebuilding, especially the Japanese military "comfort women," describe what the Japanese government is working on to solve the problem.
- Make sure that national decisions on gender equality consistently include the perspectives of young people, especially young women and girls.

<u>Beijing +25 Commemorative</u> <u>Event</u>

Sunday, November 22, 2020 @ Online

The online event held in November 2020, "25 Years after the Beijing Women's Conference and the Adoption of the Beijing Platform for Action! Towards Gender Equality" featured multigenerational speakers from the UN Women Japan Office, the Gender Equality Bureau of the Cabinet Office, the Generation Equality Youth Task Force (an international youth team which was launched with the call from called by UN Women), and YWCAs from around Japan.



Beijing +25 Commemorative Event Banner

Reports and discussions were made on the changes in society over the past 25 years, gender issues that still remain today, youth participation in international discussions on the policies of Beijing +25, and the Japanese Government's Fifth Basic Plan for Gender Equality. The event was received support from organized by the UN Women Japan Office and the Gender Equality Bureau of the Cabinet Office, and had 147 participants.

<u>Statement Submitted to the 65th Session of the UN Commission on the</u> <u>Status of Women (CSW65)</u>

The United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW65) is held annually in March at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, USA. In October 2020, the YWCA of Japan submitted a document to the 65th CSW for the first time, expressing our requests to the governments of various countries and the United Nations.

CSW65への日本YWCAのステートメント <優先ティマ> ジェンダー平等と女性と少女のエンパワメントに向けた、公的空間に おける女性の完全かつ効果的な参加と意思決定、および暴力の撤廃

Statement Submitted to CSW65

Main requests in the submission to CSW 65

Young women, especially marginalized young women, participate in decision-making

Reflect the voices of women, especially young women and girls, in their decisions on these issues, given that women are particularly strongly affected by nuclear power plants, military bases, and the new coronavirus

Addressing the "unconscious bias" (unconscious bias) that is behind the low percentage of women in decision-making bodies

<u>CSW65 Parallel Event "Initiatives of Young Women on Beijing +25: From Japan's Experience"</u>

Friday, March 26, 2021 @online

In conjunction with CSW65, which was held online, the YWCA Japan held an NGO parallel event, "Young Women's Beijing +25 Initiatives: Experiences in Japan Experiences in Japan" was held. Young women active in YWCA of Japan introduced their initiatives such as advocacy against gender-based violence and human rights training for junior and senior high school students. In addition, regarding the themes of "violence against women", "women and armed conflicts", "women and economics", "women and the media" included in the 12 areas of the Beijing Platform for Action, we introduced issues in the Japanese context from the perspective of young women, and exchanged views with participants from around the world on actions and policies necessary for achieving gender equality.

Support Activities for Victims

Support for Victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake

The YWCA's support activities for the victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake are planned and operated by the com7300 Committee, which was launched to continue supporting children born on the day of the disaster, until they were 20 years old. "com" means "together" and "7300" is the number of days in 20 years.

YWCA Activity Space "Caro Fukushima"

Providing face-to-face support in COVID-19 pandemic

"Caro" means "Dear" or "Precious" in Italian, and was established in November 2012 in Fukushima City as a hub for YWCA operations to support the survivors of the Great East Japan Earthquake. Caro Fukushima performs a variety of activities aimed at supporting women and children living in Fukushima, relieving their anxieties and stress of life after the great earthquake and the high dose of radiation, and serving as a Safe Space for talking, gathering, and learning without any worries.

We hold courses to support the safety and security of the mind and body, workshops to refresh and enrich people's lives, and support local citizen activities by providing space. In addition, we collaborate with organizations that implement recuperation programs throughout Japan, and provide information on recuperation programs to people in and the suburbs of Fukushima City, as well as providing venues for consultation meetings.

In the year 2020, due to the effects of COVID-19, we were forced to cancel the workshops we had planned, and all the "Talking Sessions" that had been held at Caro Fukushima were switched to online. Even under these circumstances, the YWCA searched for support that was needed under the COVID-19 pandemic, and in August, we started "Study in Caro" a study support program for elementary school and middle school students whose schools had been temporarily closed.

- Talking Session at Caro Fukushima (online, held five times)
- Study in Caro (4 times each, 2 days a month, 31 times in total)

• Other activities include pastel shine art classes and providing venues for recreational groups.

<u>Used by 350 people in total</u>



Study in Caro (Above, Right)



Talkig Session

Second House Program

A relaxing "Another Home" for Families Relaxing

The Second House Program is a family-type recuperation program for families, groups, and single women living in Fukushima Prefecture and areas with high radiation levels, where they can relax and feel as at home as possible. In the year 2020, the COVID-19 epidemic from the beginning of the year had a great impact on the beneficiaries. In addition, many families had to cancel their applications due to the pandemic situation just before the program started.

Nevertheless, while many recuperation programs (where people stay outside of the prefecture for a medium to long term to avoid radiation doses) were cancelled or postponed across the country, the Second House program, which can be used by families, took advantage of its strength and was able to continue its operation for one year in the year 2020, thanks to the generous cooperation of the house owners and the desire to "always be waiting for you" as a safe space. The Second House is operated with the cooperation of many people, including house owners who support the vision of the program and provide free housing, and local YWCA and neighborhood volunteers who provide operational support. Voice of User

Last year was the first time I used a second house. This year, due to the impact of the COVID-19 crisis, I was not sure if I would be able to use the house, but considering the impact on my child's health, I decided to apply. Although this was my second time to stay here, I felt very nostalgic and relieved when I saw the house owner's face.

At the Disaster Area (Ohgaki District)

The Refresh Program

The Refresh Program is conducted by regional YWCAs around the country, each with its own unique characteristics, and are organized during the children's long vacations in summer and spring. Many repeating beneficiaries are looking forward to participating every year to refresh their minds and bodies by staying in safe and secure places outside the prefecture for children living in areas with a large impact of radiation, and in some YWCAs, the programs are being led by former where children who have participated since elementary school, who have become junior high school students and are now participating as have become volunteer leaders.

COVID-19 spread from the end of 2019, and even in the midst of difficult circumstances, we continued to consider ways to implement the program, hoping to somehow invite the children of Fukushima, but in the year 2020, most YWCAs had to cancel the planned programs.

In 2021, we will be looking for new ways to hold this event while keeping a close eye on the social situation caused by the pandemic.

Support for the Victims of the Torrential Rain in Kumamoto

The torrential rains that began in the early morning of July 3 and continued until the morning of July 4, 2020, caused widespread floods, landslides, and damage to roads and railroads. Immediately after the disaster, the Kumamoto YWCA started to support the survivors, and the YWCA of Japan collaborated with related organizations to support the Kumamoto YWCA in their relief activities.

Kumamoto YWCA also worked with many members and volunteers to support the affected people during the Kumamoto Earthquake in April 2016. However, due to COVID-19, it was difficult to get volunteers from outside of the prefecture, which was an unprecedented situation for Kumamoto YWCA.

In spite of this situation, Kumamoto YWCA took advantage of the network developed through its past activities, and visited two designated evacuation centers in Kuma Village, Kuma Hospital, Special Olympics Hitoyoshi Branch, Hitoyoshi City Evacuation Center, individuals and stores affected by the disaster, Hitoyoshi City Disability Welfare Division, public health nurses, etc., to listen to their needs, and carried out the following activities.

(1) Material support to local churches

(2) Kuma Hospital: Provision of material support to hospitalized patients, support for hospital transfers, provision of medical supplies, and material support to medical personnel affected by the disaster.

(3) Material support to foreign families affected by the disaster, according to their needs.

(4) Support for people with disabilities: listening to their needs, coordinating and connecting with related parties, and delivering supplies.

(5) Delivery of relief supplies to evacuation centers: especially disinfectant solution for wiping up after flooding, children's toys, etc.(5) Other each wild be it like.

(6) Other network building

We also solicited donations from YWCAs nationwide to provide a place where people in the affected areas could take a break from the prolonged evacuation and the cleanup work in hot weather.

After 2020, we will switch to medium- to long-term activities, such as cleaning up damaged houses and rice paddies, helping affected farmers with harvesting work, and holding craft classes with crafts persons from the affected areas, etc. We are planning another program in 2021 to provide support and refreshment.

Arrival of Support Supplies



At the Disaster Area (Kuma Hospital)



At the Disaster Area (Shimo-aoi District)



International Solidarity and Advocacy

YWCA Support in Palestine / Olive Tree Campaign

Planting a Tree of Hope in Palestine

In Palestine, many years of military occupation have even threatened people's lives. JAI (a joint project of the YWCA of Palestine and East Jerusalem YWCA) is a non-violent way for people from all over the world to participate by donating sapling to plant olive trees that are deeply rooted in the lives of Palestinian people. The program allows to communicate, create jobs, protect the environment, and stabilize our the lives of the Palestinian people. The Japan YWCA of Japan is supporting this "Olive Tree Campaign". You can plant one olive sapling with a donation of 3000 yen. In 2020, we sent a donation from Japan YWCA to plant 214 seedlings.

The Japan YWCA also supports the Palestine YWCA's leadership training for conflict resolution, vocational training for women's self-reliance, and nursery center management.

Farmland in Palestine Planted with Donated Olives

Online International Exchange: Staying Connected in Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic has forced many of its annual international programs to be canceled, and the YWCA has tried to stay in touch and support internationally in a new way. In April and May 2020, an online conference was held at the invitation of the World YWCA with the participation of YWCA representatives from around the world to share the situation and activities of the World YWCA and other countries. In addition, The YWCA of Japan members also participated in many online exchanges. The occasions include a virtual Asia Regional YWCA Conference was held in July at the invitation of the YWCA of Korea, and participated in the online panel discussion hosted by the YWCA of Palestine in September, a Youth Panel hosted by the World YWCA in November, and the YWCA of Hong Kong's 100th anniversary event in December. Also, in April, when medical supplies were in short supply, donation of medical masks were sent from the National Council of YWCAs of China.

Overseas Emergency Support Disaster Support -through YWCA's international network

The YWCA of Japan, in cooperation with YWCAs overseas, conducts emergency relief activities by raising funds and supporting the activities of local YWCAs in the event of a disaster, etc. The activities supported in 2020 are as follows.

 YWCA Lebanon: Damage recovery and relief activities following the Beirut explosion in August 2020

YWCA Bangladesh: Food and hygiene distribution project in response to COVID-19

•YWCA Honduras: Distribution of emergency relief supplies to mothers and young women who lost their homes and jobs, and campaign against sexual violence in response to incidents of sexual violence in shelters, as part of support for hurricane victims in November 2020.

> (Top) Lebanon YWCA Young Women's Hostel Repaired from Explosion Damage (Bottom) Thank You Note from Honduras YWCA

Statements and Endorsements

- Group endorsement of "Joint Statement by Civil Society Urging NPT Member States to Take Bolder Action for Nuclear Weapons Abolition" (May 11)
- "Statement on the construction of the new Henoko base" released (May 24)
- "Statement in solidarity with #BlackLivesMatter and calling for the elimination of racism" released (June 22)
- "Statement on Israel's plans to annex the West Bank" (June 29)
- "Statement against Israel's planned annexation of the West Bank" (June 29)
 "We call for action to stop Israel's annexation of the West Bank. "Group endorsement (July 1)
- Submission of "Request regarding Re-Entry Restrictions on Foreign Residents" (Aug 7)
- "Public Comment on the Fifth Basic Plan for Gender Equality" submitted (September 18)
- Statement to the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW65)" submitted (October 16)
- "YWCA Japan Statement on Achieving the Requirements for a Nuclear Weapons Convention to Enter into Force" released (Oct. 26)
- "Statement in support of decarbonization and calling for it to be achieved through methods other than nuclear power" released (Nov. 15)
- Group endorsement of "Request to the Japanese Government to Consider a Northeast Asia Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Now that a Nuclear Weapons Convention is in Effect" (Feb. 1)
- "Statement of protest against the disparaging remarks by Yoshiro Mori, Chairman of the Tokyo Organizing Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games" released (Feb. 5)
 "Request for exemption from protection of intellectual property rights related to the new coronavirus" endorsed by a group (Feb. 11)
- "Protest against the military coup in Myanmar" submitted (Feb. 12)
- Submission of protest statement: "Please do not use the remains of the war dead for the construction of the new Henoko base. "Submitted (March 5)
- "International Women's Day: Women's March Tokyo" (March 8)

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- Statement by the YWCA Japan on "the 10th anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake" (March 11)
- "Open Japan's Gate for All: A joint statement by churches against the revision of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act to expel refugee claimants" (March 12)
- Submission of "Opinion on the Cabinet Decision to Revise the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act" (March 17)
- "Statement condemning unabated hate crimes and calling on the government to take urgent measures" endorsed by a group (March 30)





Donation Received

YWCA of Japan supporters fee 1,575,000-"Peacemakers" donation 1,894,239-Great East Japan Earthquake Survivor Support 3,035,128-(Including 737,000JPY from Caro Fukushima Supporters) Disaster Relief Donations (Including disaster response within and outside Japan, Support for the YWCA of Palestine, and Kumamoto Floods) 5,344,116-Olive Tree Campaign 647,000-Donation for Leadership Training 310,000-Total 12,805,483-

Thank you so much for your generous donation during the year 2020-21. The YWCA of Japan is resolved to continue to support women's proactive initiatives towards a peaceful society where everyone is respected. We ask from our hearts for your continued support. Chair of Board of Trustees, Ritsuko Mibae President, Satoko Fujitani

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Blessed Are the Peacemakers

-Matthew 5.9-