

Activity Report in FY 2024(From April 2024 to March 2025)

All Japan Women's Shelter Network

1. Shelter support services

We provided support for victims through the telephone/online chat consultation services and DV consultation services commissioned by national government and local authorities.

With the support of SHISEIDO Company employees, we helped pay school fees for 17 children who were displaced with their mothers due to domestic violence. The total amount is 1,370,000 yen. We supported the provision of goods to victims of domestic violence and abuse through member organizations' domestic violence shelters, and provided support activities by soliciting donations and grants from companies.

We are certified by Japanese and international foundations and donation platforms, such as Yourcause and Benevity.

We have developed and ran an e-learning program in Japan to train professionals who can assist victims of domestic violence and sexual violence. As of the 2024 fiscal year, a total of 160 people have enrolled in the program, and 47 students completed the program.
<https://www.gbv-epschool.or.jp/>



2. Networking project for relevant organizations



In FY2024, the 26th national symposium were held in Kobe with the participation of member organizations and supporters. About 400 participants shared and exchanged information on the revised law and the status of each organization.

We produced an English-language version of an NGO counter-report to the United Nations detailing the current situation and issues regarding measures against domestic violence and sexual violence in Japan, which was submitted to CEDAW and published as a Japan Women's Watch (JAWW) publication (JAWW NGO Report for Beijing + 30). We also submitted a open letter to the HCCH, Hague Conference on Private International Law, regarding the Hague Convention and issued statements on cases involving Japanese nationals living abroad.

As a member of the Executive Committee of the Public-Private Partnership Platform to Combat Loneliness and Isolation promoted by the national government (Cabinet Secretariat), we promote exchanges and collaboration with NPOs and NGOs in various fields.

<https://www.notalone-cao.go.jp/platform/>

3. Education, awareness-raising

Raising public awareness of domestic violence issues through the mass media, social media, websites, writing articles and giving lectures.

We participated in the publication of books, translated overseas materials. We raised public awareness about the issue of support for DV victims by participating in symposiums organized by various organizations, contributing to various magazines, cooperating in the preparation of web articles, editing booklets, cooperating in the production of mass media programs and cooperating in mass media interviews. We also disseminated information via Youtube, TikTok and Facebook.

<TikTok > <https://www.tiktok.com/@nwsnet.2001>

<Youtube > <https://www.youtube.com/@alljapanwomensshelternetwork2307>

<Facebook> <https://www.facebook.com/WaitNoMore2019>

4. Policy Proposals

We have raised issues regarding policy matters such as amendments to family law, expressed our views at government committees, and made representations on domestic violence issues affecting Japanese nationals abroad, including matters relating to the Hague Convention.

In addition, the project was able to make policy proposals and publicize the issue by submitting requests to the government on the issue of domestic violence and its countermeasures, making them public on the website, and attending national research and study groups to report and speak out.

On May 7, 2024, Co-chair, Kikuno Yamazaki spoke as an expert witness before the House of Councillors Committee on Justice.

5. Financial support loan project: Interest-free loans were provided to help victims of domestic violence to make a fresh start in their new lives.

We provide small loans from two funds (PMJ Fund and Me Fund) in partnership with several women's aid organizations.

New total loan amount :

PMJ Fund 8people 2470,000 yen

Me Fund 1people 480,000 yen