

July 26, 2011

Mr. James Hopkins
USS Washtenaw County Veterans Association
298 Crosby Lane
Rochester, NY 14612

Dear Mr. Hopkins,

On behalf of Japan Society, I am writing to thank the USS Washtenaw County Veterans Association for its contribution of \$2,120.00 to the Japan Earthquake Relief Fund, received on June 22, 2011. The Association consists of Navy veterans who served on board the USS Washtenaw County while home ported in Yokosuka, Japan.

The Japan Earthquake Relief Fund was established in response to the earthquake and tsunamis that struck Japan on March 11, 2011. As of July 19, the Fund has received over \$10 million from more than 21,000 donors, including individuals, corporations and foundations.

On March 30, Japan Society announced its initial dispersal of \$1 million from the Fund to four Japanese nonprofit organizations on the front lines of relief and recovery: Tokyo Volunteer Network for Disaster Relief, JEN, Entrepreneurial Training for Innovative Communities (ETIC), and the Japan NPO Center. Deciding to focus on healthcare, including mental health services, and the needs of children, on July 19, Japan Society announced five additional fund recipients (AFS Intercultural Programs Japan, Care Center Yawaragi, Japanese Medical Society of America, Japan Primary Care Association and Supporting Union for Practical-Use of Educational Resources), with an additional gift to the Tokyo Volunteer Network for Disaster Relief. These organizations will receive grants totaling \$2.1 million to strengthen their relief and recovery efforts. (Please refer to the accompanying page for information on these organizations and their activities).

Japan's recovery is expected to take five years or more. With this in mind, Japan Society is working to gauge the long-term needs of those affected by the disaster with the goal of supporting organizations that will contribute to the longer term recovery and reconstruction. Future funding announcements, along with blog updates on our fund recipient organizations' progress, will be posted on www.japansociety.org/earthquake.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Sincerely,



Motoatsu Sakurai
President

