

June 30, 2011

**Wire-Transfer of Donations from the Japan Disaster Relief Fund**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Due to the Disaster in Japan on March 11, thousands of individuals lost their lives and many more continue to be in group shelters having lost their homes and all personal belongings. We would like to express our sincerest and deepest sympathies for their losses.

The Japan-Virginia Society received \$29,363.45 from your warm and humanitarian donations. We wired \$29,363.45 (2,286,873 Japanese Yen) to Mr. Aizawa, Principal of Mangokuura Elementary School in Ishinomaki City, Miyagi Prefecture. The remittance was confirmed as received, effective June 27, 2011. Mr. Aizawa will share the donations with their neighbors, Watanoha Elementary School, Kazuma Elementary School, Watanoha Junior High School, Mangokuura Junior High School, and Inai Junior High School to purchase badly-needed school supplies, after discussing the specific requirements with these respective school principals.

Mangokuura Elementary School is where Ms. Taylor Anderson taught most recently. She was an English teacher dispatched from Midlothian, Virginia, who lived in Ishinomaki City, and passed away as the first American casualty due to the March 11 Disaster. The other five schools also are where Ms. Taylor Anderson taught. These six schools were damaged severely.

The Japan-Virginia Society was most pleased to be able to take on the responsibility for organizing and administering this special Japan Relief Fund. In reality, hundreds of individuals and numerous organizations have cooperated with this relief effort, including Japanese food stores, Japanese restaurants, Japanese Schools, Old Dominion University, and Rotary International. We are pleased to provide you with this report, as well as thank you greatly on behalf of the Japan Relief Fund recipients for your unselfish and humanitarian support of those in extreme need.

Sincerely yours,

The Japan-Virginia Society  
Jerry W. Giles, Chairman  
Mikihiko Sugaya, Vice Chairman  
Takao Ota, Chairman of the Japanese Committee