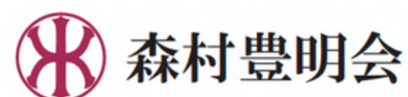


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Freedom of movement leads the way to a better future for children.



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Is Having a Disability Keep the Child from Going Out, Learning, or Working?

There are children who, due to poverty, are unable to afford a wheelchair and spend their entire day lying in bed, staring only at the television or the ceiling. Without the means to get out, they do not attend school or find employment, and as a result, they become isolated from society.

The Suitable Wheelchair Can Unlock a Child's Potential

In some cases, government support provides children with adult-sized wheelchairs, which do not fit the children properly, rendering them unusable. WAFCA is working to change that reality—by delivering custom-fitted wheelchairs tailored to each child's body, we help ensure their freedom of movement and open the door to new possibilities for their future.



Joy of going out, Delight to learn and Happiness to work

One Wheelchair Presents all of these

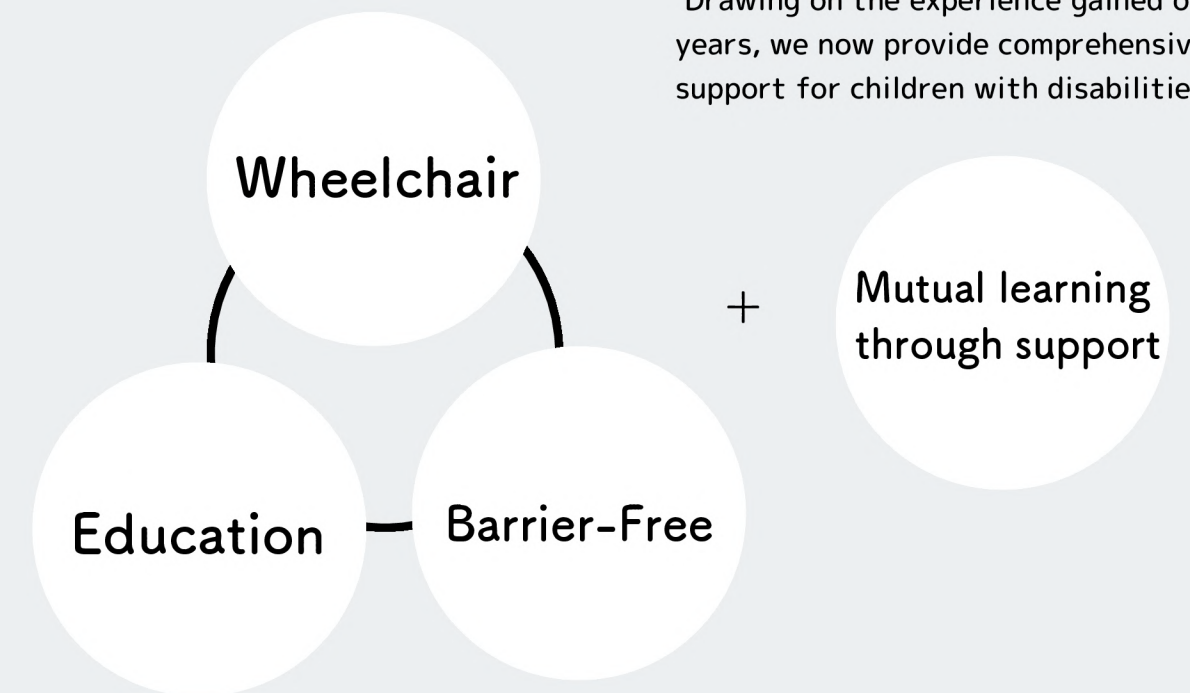
WAFCA Group Vision 2030

WAFCA supports each child with disabilities one by one, trying to create effectual environments that will achieve their independence.

Through this approach, we aim to promote self-reliance adequate to each child's abilities and improve their quality of life.

WAFCA's Support Program

It has been 25 years since DENSO Corporation established WAFCA in 1999. Drawing on the experience gained over the years, we now provide comprehensive support for children with disabilities.



FY 2024 in numbers

Number of wheelchairs donated

401 units

Thailand 155 units + Indonesia 246 units

Number of scholarship students / Number of barrier-free projects



110 people

Thailand 52 people + Indonesia 58 people

5 cases

3 houses + 2 schools



Individual donor / WAFCA member / Supporting companies

1,657 people



2,554 people



51 Companies Organization



Greetings from the Board Directors

Chairman



WAFCA Chairman
Ohkagakuen University
Professor

Kyoko Terada

It is a great honor that WAFCA and WAFCAT celebrated their 25th anniversary in 2024, and WAFCAI its 10th anniversary. These milestones were only made possible thanks to the unwavering support and cooperation of so many individuals and organizations from their up to now. We would like to express our sincere gratitude. Over the past quarter-century, the world has undergone significant change. However, when we ask ourselves whether or not the well-being of children with disabilities and their families in Asia has improved, it is difficult to give a confident answer of "Yes."

Since 2017, with the cooperation of WAFCAT and WAFCAI—and occasionally I held wheelchair dance workshops—I have traveled to Thailand and Indonesia to meet with local children and their families. In the past two years, I often visited children in northern Thailand, listened to their current realities, learned from WAFCAT staff about the types of support needed, and hold ongoing discussions with fellow researchers about the challenges we face ahead. Though each visit may be a small step, my heartfelt sympathy that arose from seeing the realities firsthand continue to grow stronger and deeper.

We hope to utilize our collective thoughts and experiences to reflect on the present and future of these children in cooperation with you supporters. To do so, we must also reconsider the support systems to provide continuing, relevant assistance for them.

As we celebrate this 25-year milestone, WAFCA must take a bold new step forward.

We sincerely ask for your continued support to the WAFCA Group and the children with disabilities across Asia.



▲To commemorate WAFCA's 25th anniversary, we created a special illustration.

The design reflects our heartfelt wish:

"May WAFCA flourish and continue to support the future of children with disabilities, in collaboration with more and more diverse people."

The illustration was created by Kyoko Nishimura, who also designed the artwork for WAFCA's 20th anniversary as well as the coffee packaging for WAFCA Indonesia.

Thank you, Kyoko, for your charming and heartwarming illustration!

Vice Chairman



International Professional
University of
Technology in Nagoya
Professor

Kumi Sato

In 2024 on the 25th anniversary of the WAFCA's foundation, we now look ahead to our 30th anniversary in 2029. Since it was established, our activities have steadily expanded, and we have made continuous step-by-step progress.

Through close collaboration with local offices such as WAFCAT and WAFCAI, we have been able to provide wheelchairs and scholarships to many children over the years.

Children with disabilities often have a strong desire to learn and work. However, they still face limited access to education and employment opportunities. If they gain the freedom to move at their will, it will open up a whole new world to them. They can discover the joy of learning and begin to dream about a brighter future.

The smiles of these children are the greatest source of joy for all of us.

Let us keep spreading those smiles, one by one, far and wide across the world. The freedom of mobility opens up the future!

Vice Chairman



DENSO CORPORATION
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Director
Shinya Kato

It has already been five years since I became involved in the operations of WAFCA in 2020. Since WAFCA's founding, we have delivered a total of 7,872 wheelchairs to children with disabilities across Asia and also provided educational support through scholarships to 3,194 students. "Freedom of movement opens up children's future."

Through a gift of a single wheelchair, a child with disabilities in Thailand or Indonesia gains opportunities to go outside, attend school, and pursue work. To me, WAFCA's mission is precisely this ideal of expanding life's possibilities for these children.

DENSO, founded in 1949, celebrated its 75th anniversary in December last year. On the occasion of its 50th anniversary, DENSO established WAFCA, and since then, countless predecessors have nurtured and supported its growth. I would like to express my deepest gratitude and respect to all the members, companies, and supporters that have always been standing by WAFCA in various ways.

It is our mission to further progress this operation and to steadily pass the baton we have inherited to the next generation. In doing so, we will realize the WAFCA's Vision 2030.

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Wheelchair Provision Program



THAILAND



WAFCAT
Manager
Wing

Marking a Milestone — Our 25th Anniversary

In addition to our ongoing activities such as providing wheelchairs and educational support for children with disabilities in the 2024 fiscal year, we launched new enlightening programs for children with disabilities and we strengthened networks between and among the graduates and the physical therapists. While these efforts came with their share of challenges, the year was defined by our commitment to moving forward unafraid of taking on new trials.

We were concerned about how to organize our 25th anniversary events and its fundraising. However, thanks to the dedication of our staff, board members, supporters, and volunteers, we were able to reach our goals in success. ✨

The 25th anniversary is an important milestone-but it is by no means the end of our journey.

As we step into our 26th year-it's and continuing toward our 30th, 40th, and even 50th anniversaries- we will keep committed to ensuring that children with disabilities are given equal opportunities and they can live fulfilling lives.

We sincerely ask you to continue your for your warm support and cooperation in the years to come.

WAFCAT 25th Anniversary Ceremony

On March 23rd, the WAFCAT 25th Anniversary Ceremony was held at the Thailand Cultural Centre. Our Longtime supporters, WAFCAT scholarship recipients, and participants of the Friendship Tour all gathered to attend it. The event provided an opportunity to reflect on the history of the journey so far and to make up our mind to take a new step forward toward the future.



"From Bedridden to Enjoying Daily Life with a Smile"

Rek, who had previously been bedridden, received a custom wheelchair through WAFCA in January 2024. Thanks to the provision of a wheelchair tailored to his physical condition, combined with daily rehabilitation efforts by his family, he was able to use the wheelchair on a daily basis within just a few months.

During a follow-up inspection visit in November of the same year, his sitting posture was stabilized, and often used the wheelchair to go out, which greatly expanded his range of activities. However, there was an issue of his body sliding forward during the long use. Based on the physical therapist's assessment, a non-slip cushion was specially made to address this problem. Adjustments were made during a subsequent follow-up visit.

As of now, one year and five months after he began using the wheelchair, visible changes have appeared in Rek. For example, he is now able to support his own neck firmly and maintain his posture by himself both while seated in the wheelchair and on the floor. With his improved mobility and postural control, his opportunities for interaction and choices in daily activities have been expanded remarkably.



Lek (9)

Training Workshop for Local Physical Therapists

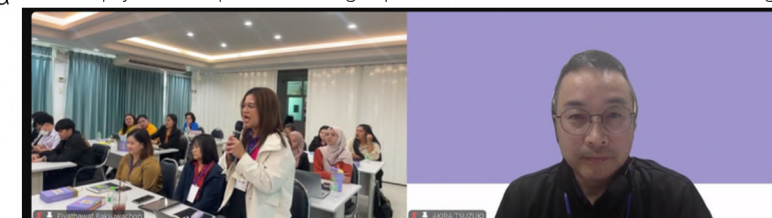
Focusing on Care and Quality of Life of Children with Disabilities

On February 6th and 7th, a case study meeting was held focusing on improving the care and the quality of life (QOL) of children with disabilities. Physical therapists and those people concerned from Thailand and Japan participated in the event.

From Japan, Mr. Akira Tsuzuki, a physical therapist and WAFCA board member, joined as an expert. Utilizing online communication, the meeting started with the presentations on past cases and present initiatives in Japan, Thailand, and Indonesia, followed by discussions based on these examples.

This meeting served as an important opportunity to consider future support activities and care approaches that will be adopted in various provinces in Thailand. It is hoped that the knowledge and relationship gained in the meeting will be applied in the field and lead to improved forms of support.

▼A Thai physical therapist (left) asking a question at the venue and Director Tsuzuki (right)



Wheelchair Provision Program



INDONESIA



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Smiles United Us in the Decades

In 2024, WAFCAL celebrated its 10th anniversary. Having been a staff member of WAFCAL since its establishment, I also marked a personal milestone—10 years with the organization. This year, we delivered 246 new wheelchairs, and we continue supporting 1,585 users we've met over the years, helping them keep their wheelchairs in good condition. We also awarded ✨ scholarships to 58 children who have a strong desire to learn. We sincerely hope that our friends in Indonesia will take small but firm steps toward independence and enjoy life in their own way.

To WAFCA Japan and to all supporters—we would like to express our warmest thanks from the bottom of our hearts. Through your warm support, we are able to meet so many smiling faces here in Indonesia every day. We would be truly happy if people in Japan could feel even a little of the joyfulness and happiness that we are feeling here.

WAFCAL 10th Anniversary Ceremony

On June 29th, WAFCA Indonesia held a special event to celebrate its 10th anniversary, bringing together children with disabilities, their families, donors, and partner companies. The opening ceremony started with the presentation of WAFCAL's activities, followed by a welcome speech of the Chairperson. The hall was filled with energy and joy, featuring a wheelchair dance performance by the Sayap Ibu Foundation team, a wheelchair assembly workshop, picture-coloring activities, Boccia games, and product showcases from partner companies. It was a lively and memorable day for everyone involved.



A Small Step, A Big Change — Briyan's Journey Beyond Disability

Briyan is a five-year-old boy with severe disabilities. He has gastroschisis—a congenital disorder in which the intestines are exposed outside the body. He has born with no bones in either of his elbows. He also has paralysis in both legs.

His father has passed away, and his mother earns a living through a small retail business. However, with limited financial resources, she was unable to afford a specialized wheelchair suited to Briyan's physical condition. As a result, she had to carry him wherever they went.

WAFCAL carefully assessed Briyan's condition and provided a lightweight, easy-to-use wheelchair tailored to his needs. With this wheelchair, Briyan has gained the ability to move independently. His mother, too, has found new hope in his growth and has begun to cherish a dream of sending him to school someday.



Briyan(5)

Spreading Support, with WAFCAL at the Heart

Seminar on Nutrition for Supporting Children with Disabilities

On March 13th, we held a seminar focused on "Nutrition and Eating Habits for Children with Disabilities," aimed at approximately 50 parents and caregivers.

For those who were unable to attend in person, the seminar was also conducted on line. A total of about 60 participants joined the session.



Basic Training for Wheelchair Provision

On January 9th, a basic training session on wheelchair provision was held for local partners. The goal of this training was to enable each WAFCAL partner in their regions to collect and share the data for wheelchair applications for a person with disabilities with WAFCAL. This will ensure that the whole process from wheelchair donation to follow-up support is carried out appropriately.

Seven participants attended the session, four of whom were persons with disabilities. The session covered a lot of topics such as WAFCAL's activities, various kinds of disabilities, how to select appropriate wheelchairs, and how to maintain proper sitting posture.



Education Support Program

In the fiscal year 2024, we supported 110 scholarship students.

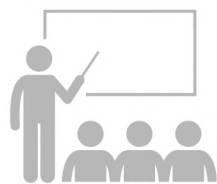


Thailand 52 people



Indonesia 58 people

Purpose of the Scholarship



Fees paid to the school
(Uniform costs, lunch fees,
helper personnel expenses, etc.)



Textbook fees, stationery
purchase fees



Costs of commuting
to school



Internship
Training Participation Fee

Never Giving Up on Learning

Naira (15)



2016



2017



2023

Naira applied to WAFCAI's scholarship program at the end of 2022. Born with cerebral palsy, she faced many challenges throughout her school life from an early age but she never gave up on learning. She continued commuting to school using public transportation.

Since receiving the scholarship, she has been able to get her own notebooks and stationery, and has had a steady supply of essential daily hygiene products such as diapers. These changes have greatly improved the quality of her school life.

At the recent awards ceremony, her mother said, "Since receiving the scholarship, my daughter's grades have improved, and the burden of commuting has lightened."

Naira is now looking forward to entering high school. Her future possibilities are working for and gradually opening up through her hard work and due to the support she receives.

My Dream Is to Become a Special Needs School Teacher

Proy (17)

"There is a scholarship available for students who want to continue their education despite their financial difficulties", Proy's junior high school homeroom teacher told her. In this way education support for Proy from WAFCAT began.

Thanks to this support, she was able to attend high school and is now a university student.

WAFCAT continues to support Proy as she, living in a dormitory, studies to her goal of becoming a special needs school teacher.



From Mobility Freedom to Learning for the Future

6th WAFCAT Capacity Building Training Camp

DREAM & DRIVE CAMP

From October 24th to 27th, WAFCAT held a training camp for children with disabilities called the "Dream & Drive Camp" at Huai Nam Sai Camp site in Chachoengsao Province. The camp provided an opportunity for scholarship students to deepen friendships, share their dreams, and learn how to make them come true. A total of 49 participants attended, including 19 children with disabilities, 13 teachers, and 17 parents. We are grateful for the support of Aioi Nissay Dowa Insurance Co., Ltd., and for the attendance of representatives from their local subsidiary, Aioi Bangkok, at the opening ceremony.



Under the slogans "Get Together – Meet as One," "Talk Together – Speak as One," and "Think Together – Think as One," the camp provided participants with opportunities to learn from each other and share their dreams. The scholarship students not only deepened their friendships but also worked on their individual challenges and honed skills to achieve greater independence.



WAFCAT Seminar for Senior Students and Adults

On March 1st and 2nd, a seminar was held at Pattaya Redemptorist Vocational College in Chonburi Province, targeting people with disabilities aged 19 and over to share their experiences and learning. The seminar was attended by a total of 30 participants, eight WAFCAT scholarship students, teachers, WAFCAT board members, and wheelchair providers.

For the scholarship students just before graduation, it was a precious opportunity to learn from each other, share their hopes for the future, and encourage one another.



Barrier-Free Support Project

Care and Support Providers

On September 3rd, WAFCAT held a presentation ceremony of toilets and ramps as part of the "Barrier-Free Project." at Bansoknadi Elementary School. A total of 72,510 baht (approximately 330,000 yen) was donated to support this project. Mr. Surida Thiaboon, Deputy Director of the Second District of Khon Kaen Elementary Schools, gave the opening address, and Mr. Mongkorn, Secretary-General of WAFCAT, expressed words of gratitude.



After the ceremony, the students deepened their understanding of various kinds of disabilities and learned ways to support each other. They participated in activities in which they used sign language and learned skills to assist people with visual impairments. They also learned the proper use of the toilets. Through this project, WAFCAT aims to realize a supportive and inclusive society.

Friendship Program

Mutual Learning – Case Study Regular Meetings

In the case study meeting, staff from various countries show the cases they have faced on the spot and share innovative support methods. By understanding the characteristics and needs of each region, the goal is to improve the quality of support and enhance its effectiveness. Additionally, by addressing common issues together, these meetings provide an opportunity for staff to share awareness of problems and promote everyday communication and collaboration.

The participants included Mr. Akira Tsuzuki, a WAFCA board member and physical therapist; Ms. Yukiko Kumazawa, the coordinator; and staff members from the Japan, Thailand, and Indonesia offices. Between 2022 and the end of 2024, a total of 25 sessions were held. In the fiscal year 2024, WAFCAT and WAFCAI held these meetings on a once-a-month basis, alternately presenting cases to be discussed.



Study Tour and Friendship Tour in Thailand

Two groups of people went on tours for different purposes. In the fiscal year 2024, 18 participants visited WAFCA Thailand's support sites and had the mutual learning through interactions with children with disabilities there.



For those who are abroad for the first time

Study Tour

2025/3/5~8



For Donors on the 25th anniversary

Friendship Tour

2025/3/20~23



I have taken part as a volunteer and an intern for five years since in high school. I was very impressed by the principle of their support: to think of the children-first. It convinced me that this is a trustworthy organization to support.

During the tour, through interactions with local staff and service users, I learned support methods suited for Thailand's unique culture as well as the limits within the system.

It was offered many insights that I could not have gained from university lectures. I will look beyond the university framework to see the broader world and think about what I can do!



DENSO IRIS OG WAFCAthlete Minami Iju



As a WAFCAthlete, I have been committed to public relations, but this was the first time I actually visited a support site. Under the mission of "for the welfare of children with disabilities in Asia," I was able to see, hear, and feel firsthand the diverse activities carried out by various people in different locations. It was a truly eye-opening experience.

Above all, I deeply realized the importance of WAFCA's careful and warm support well-suited for each individual child with a disability. I want to convey the significance of WAFCA to a lot more people.

WAFCAthlete

WAFCAthlete is a team of athletes launched in 2022 who take charge of WAFCA's public relations. Using sports as an approach, they raise public awareness of WAFCA among new audiences and call for supporters.

In the 2024 fiscal year, 20 athletes are actively working, coming from basketball, volleyball, softball, table tennis, rowing, track and field, wheelchair marathon, and archery.

Promoting WAFCA Through Sports Workshops



On August 2nd, with the cooperation of Nisshin City, we held the second annual WAFCAthlete Special Charity Sports Workshop at the Nisshin City Sports Center.

On the day of the event, 140 elementary school students and their families participated, enjoying basketball, softball, rowing, and a unique experience in wheelchairs provided by WAFCA.

From the proposal of WAFCAthlete, letters "Wa," "Fu," and "Ka," as well as puzzle words about WAFCA's activities, were scattered all around the gym, creating a fun environment where participants learn about WAFCA.



Programs Organized by WAFCA

■ Spreading on SNS Impressions from diffusion: **9.5 times**

※Number of times the post was displayed on the user's screen



■ Commercial airing on digital signage at Kariya Station



Use the QR code ▶ to watch the video



Awards & Media Coverage

■ Finalist in the Japan Fundraising Awards



It was praised as a pioneering initiative that engages athletes' empathy through events like charity walks, involving a wide range of people in its activities.

■ Special Award at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Photo Contest



Kitamura from the secretariat attended the award ceremony online.



■ Denso's Owned Media Driven Base Publication



◀ Driven Base
You can view the article here.

■ 7/20 Published in the Chunichi Shimbun

You can view the details here (Chunichi BIZ Navi membership registration required)▶



■ 2/7 TBS 「N SUTA」

You can watch the broadcast here.▶



Website Renewal



Please check it out!



WAFCA NEW WEBSITE

On November 1st, WAFCA's official website was relaunched with a brand-new design. Since June, we had been "freezing" the website, so it was not easy to understand."

There are three main improvements:

- Clearer navigation for donations
- Easier access to the latest news and updates
- More voices and stories from children with disabilities and the supporters of WAFCA

Along with the renewal, we also updated our catchphrase.

Old: "Wheelchairs change the world of children."

New: "Freedom of mobility opens up the future for children."

This is the first step toward expanding the possibilities for children. We invite you to explore our new website!

PR and Fundraising

Lecturer Dispatch, Training, and Volunteer Hosting

At WAFCA, we offer outreach classes, training programs, and volunteer opportunities for students in Japan, sharing the knowledge and insights we have gained through our work in international cooperation and disability support. We hope that these outreach classes, led by experienced and knowledgeable WAFCA staff, will serve as a gateway for students to learn more about the world.



FY2024 Highlights

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- Introduction to WAFCA's activities – Case studies of children with disabilities
- Wheelchair usage and repair experience
- Fundraising
- International cooperation
- Career education, and more

Event

In FY2024, we participated in various events, creating valuable opportunities to share WAFCA's work and support for children with disabilities with a wider audience. This year, we redesigned the WAFCA booth entirely. By featuring large photos of smiling children with disabilities and using eye-level catchphrases and thoughtfully arranged layouts, we aimed to create a space where visitors could instantly understand WAFCA's mission at a glance. Moving forward, we will continue to focus on impactful design and meaningful dialogue to help even more people learn about our activities.



Having been supported by volunteers before, I now volunteer for WAFCA.

I work at DENSO Taiyo, a special subsidiary of DENSO. After joining WAFCA, I came to realize that in some countries, people with disabilities face difficulties in moving freely or attending school—something I had taken for granted. This made me appreciate the environment I am fortunate to live in. In the past, I was on the receiving end of volunteer support because of my disability. But now, through WAFCA's activities, I have become someone who can give back. I help by selling charity goods, distributing flyers, and assisting with wheelchair experience activities.

The WAFCA staff and fellow volunteers have always treated me warmly, and I truly feel that I've found a place where I belong. Moving forward, I want to continue contributing, even in a small way, so that more people can live joyful and fulfilling lives.



Wheelchair Hospital

The wheelchair hospital project, which began in 2010, has grown into a large volunteer team of 27 members, supporting wheelchair users in Japan and across Asia.

The number of Repaired Wheelchair in FY 2024

259 units



Basic Training on Wheelchair Assembling at Nissin Medical Industries

With the support of Nissin Medical Industries Co., Ltd., we conducted our third year of training for volunteers of the Wheelchair Hospital project.



We work alongside companions with rich experience and expertise

During a trip, while assisting my mother who uses a wheelchair, I truly realized the challenges of wheelchair life. After learning about WAFCA's activities, I decided to join. Drawing on my hobby of bicycle repair and my experience in manufacturing, I joined the Wheelchair Hospital project after retiring.

The team members are friendly and highly knowledgeable. Repairs involve various skills such as sewing and parts fabrication, and I handle them with advice from others. Receiving gratitude from clients upon delivery motivates me to keep going. I also enjoy interacting with student volunteers during their experiential learning. Through this activity, I hope to continue contributing to support for children with disabilities in Asia.



Art Club

The "Art Club," initiated by Director Fujiwara in March 2021, continued this fiscal year with monthly sessions. Held on Saturdays during holidays, the club brings together children with disabilities and their families to engage in various art activities. The main objectives are to provide a space for weekend activities, raise awareness of the children's unique traits and talents, and build a community connecting parents and local partners.

At the WAFCA 25th anniversary event held in March, children's artwork was exhibited. Moving forward, as part of our inclusive art activities, we will continue to expand our network and maintain exchanges with Thailand and Indonesia.



Fundraising Program

Crowdfunding for Wheelchair Donations

Wheelchairs Change the World of Children

Alongside strengthening local fundraising efforts, we also requested donations from our members through crowdfunding.

Application Period

2024 7/2(Tue) ▶ 7/31(Wed)

Donation Amount **284 million yen**

Number of donors **353 people**



When I was assigned to Thailand, I participated in a local tour and met children with disabilities. I truly support this meaningful work!



I hope for a society where, regardless of whether people have disabilities or not, everyone has the opportunity to pursue what they want to do, even if just a little more.

Education Support Fund -Donation Campaign

Bringing everyday learning opportunities to children with disabilities.

. This campaign aimed to provide scholarships and support for learning environments so that children with disabilities can have access to educational opportunities.

Application Period

2025年 3/10(Mon) ▶ 4/22(Tue)

Donation Amount **308million yen**

Number of donors **303 people**



I sincerely hope that children all around the world will have equal access to education — and that this will become the new normal.



I would be happy if it can contribute even a little to your lives.

Charity Walking Event

In FY2024, we held charity walks twice—in spring and autumn—with over 1,000 participants in total.

May Charity Walk Event with Women's Japan Basketball League (W League)

From May 3rd to 4th, WAFCA collaborated with the W League All-Star event held in Inazawa City, Aichi Prefecture, to organize a charity walk. All-Star players participating in the tournament also registered for the charity walk.

In addition to participation rights, those who made additional donations received rewards including autographed goods from the players. Furthermore, top walkers by step count were awarded prizes as part of the step reward program.

As a result, many participants enjoyed walking, which contributed to their satisfaction and promoted their health.



November

Charity Run & Walk Event

From November 16 to December 6, we held the 4th Charity Walk, which was renamed this time to the "Charity Run & Walk."

We expanded corporate sponsorships, receiving continued support from seven companies and new sponsorships from five others, gaining the backing of many businesses.

According to participant surveys, common reasons for joining included: "I sympathize with the purpose of the Charity Run & Walk" and "I usually walk a lot, so I could participate without difficulty."



No. of Participants

291 + 721 = **1012** people
May November

No. of Donated Wheelchairs

56 units

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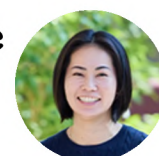


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Subject	Plan	Actual	Rate	Plan	Year-on-year change rate
I Operating income					
1 Membership fees	14,358,000	13,450,431	94%	12,018,234	89%
2 Donation	30,353,826	27,407,408	90%	31,168,000	114%
3 Grant	100,000	2,930,000	2930%	1,000,000	34%
4 Business Revenue	2,094,457	1,955,347	93%	2,740,000	140%
5 Exchange Programs/Other	188,136	261,651	139%	1,629,856	623%
Total Operating Revenue	47,094,419	46,004,837	97%	47,556,090	103%
II Operating expenses					
1 Project cost	46,768,945	45,527,553	97%	48,505,883	107%
2 Management Fee	5,142,959	6,194,179	120%	6,586,531	106%
Total Operating Expenses	51,991,904	51,721,732	99%	55,092,414	107%
Net increase (decrease) in net assets before taxes	-4,817,485	-5,716,895	118%	-7,536,324	131%
Corporate tax, resident tax, and business tax	21,000	21,000		21,000	
Net increase (decrease) in net assets for the period	-4,838,485	-5,737,895		-7,557,324	
Increase/Decrease in Assets Carried Forward from the Previous Period	50,943,498	50,943,498		45,205,603	
Net Increase/Decrease in Carryover Assets for the Next Fiscal Period	46,105,013	45,205,603		37,648,279	

I Assets	II Debts
1 Current assets	1 Current debts
Cash 91,434	Deposits 224,358
Checking account 22,800,191	Unpaid amounts 600,782
Accounts receivable 21,300	Total current debts 825,140
Youth Exchange Fund Designated Assets 1,000,468	1 Fixed debts 0
Carryover goods (Charity goods) 87,137	Total Fixed debts 0
Inventory (Stamps, revenue stamps, gift certificates, book vouchers) 53,910	Total current debts 825,140
Total current assets 24,054,440	III Net Assets
2 Fixed Assets	Change in Carried-Forward Assets from the Previous Period 50,943,498
Securities 20,296,007	Net increase (decrease) in net assets for the period -5,737,895 ※Including corporate tax
Vehicle transport equipment 62,585	Total Net Assets 45,205,603
Furnishings and equipment 66,681	Total debts and net assets 46,030,743
Trademark rights 1,551,030	
Total Fixed Assets 21,976,303	
Total Assets 46,030,743	

The 2023 Statement of Activities and Balance Sheet are consistent with the amounts recorded in the accounting books and are recognized as accurately reflecting the income and expenditure status and financial condition of the Certified NPO Wheelchair And Friendship Center of Asia.

Auditor Naohiro Kaneko Shuji Yonemitsu

Financial Analysis

Overview of FY2024

This fiscal year, both membership fees paid and donations accepted fell below the budgeted amounts, while grants and subsidies received significantly exceeded the budget. The result was an overall decrease in ordinary income of approximately 1 million yen under the budget, but an overall increase of about 2.8 million yen compared to the previous year.

On the other hand, expenses were below the budgeted amount, mainly due to a reduction in personnel costs. As a result, the balance in net assets was a negative 5,737,895 yen.

Outlook for FY2025

In light of the continuing decline in individual membership, the budget for 2025 reflects decrease an assumed in membership fee income. But we aim to generate revenue through initiatives such as study tours, so that overall revenue in the budget is estimated to increase compared to this fiscal year.

On the expense side, we anticipate an increase in personnel costs due to an expansion of staff. The budget projects a downward change in net assets of 7,536,324 yen. However, we fully intend to secure a budget that allows us to raise our revenue and continue to provide necessary support.

We sincerely ask for the sincere opinions and continuous support from all our members.

Editor's Note

Thank you for reading this far.
We would like to share messages from the WAFCA Secretariat members who prepared this annual report, addressed to all of you who are reading.

The 2024 fiscal year began with a significant deficit, and we intended to tackle every possible challenge head-on. However, with only a small number of staff members in the Secretariat, there were times when, honestly, we felt disheartened. Even so, WAFCA was able to operate at full capacity thanks to the unwavering support of our donors and volunteers. We are truly grateful for your support over the past year.

In the 2025 fiscal year, we mark 26 years since our founding and take pride in the major achievements WAFCA has made. We will go on keeping new social issues in our sights. Our aim is to further update and enhance WAFCA so that it becomes an even more attractive organization for our supporters and volunteers.

We look forward to your continued passionate and kind support and cooperation.



Secretary general
Naoshi Uno



Annual Report Editing
Fundraiser
Minami Kondo



International/Domestic Exchange
Coordinator
Shoichi Kitamura

Looking over this annual report, I'm often surprised at how much we accomplished in just one year. We were able to operate so much thanks to our members, donors, and volunteers.

In my fundraising job I probably say "thank you" more often than most people. Among those these many "thank-you" I receive from our supporters truly straightens my back with pride.

"I'm happy to be able to help."
"I'm glad to have learned about WAFCA."
"Thank you for letting me donate."
My job isn't about dealing with customers; it's about increasing the number of "partners" who face social challenges together with us.

I want to continue working along with our supporters to advance our objective to support for children with disabilities.

Thank you so much for always supporting WAFCA's activities!

Over the past year, I have taken time to reflect on how to connect and interact with people both domestically and internationally. For example, when leading study tours and friendship tours in Thailand, to see the support sites first hand and to witness the value of their donations.

I sincerely wish for your continued support for WAFCA!