



# West Japan Floods: Assistance Activities Report

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On July 5, 2018, the heaviest rain to fall in the past 30 years, hit and devastated western Japan. A-PAD Japan immediately commenced emergency assistance activities at the onset of floods and landslides. In cooperation with companies, NGOs, and local municipalities, A-PAD Japan has been developing further assistance activities both in and around the affected areas. This report to our supporters summarizes our activities through November 2018.



## Procurement and Delivery of Relief Supplies

Immediately following the disaster, we conducted a preliminary needs assessment. In coordination with the municipality, the private sector, and partner NGOs we delivered relief supplies to evacuation centers and to victims at home.



### A-PAD Japan's Project Sites



## Search-and-Rescue

The day after the disaster, the SAR team deployed to the disaster areas on helicopters and amphibious vehicles and rescued patients trapped in a submerged hospital. Our SAR dogs also conducted searches for missing people.



## Leased Trailers

A-PAD Japan lent multiple trailers to the affected areas to be used as mobile medical clinics and office spaces for aid workers. Cars were also lent to an NPO deploying nurses who worked tirelessly conducting home visits.





## Voice ~ Words of Gratitude from the Affected People

### The Patient was Saved

"Thanks to A-PAD Japan using helicopters and boats for emergency transportation, the lives of patients stranded at the hospital were saved."

- Director of the Mabi Memorial Hospital, Mabi, Okayama Prefecture



### Thank Goodness the Doctor is Here

"I continue to live at the evacuation center. I started feeling sick, but I felt safe knowing that I could consult with a doctor even at night."

- Patient at a mobile trailer clinic, Mabi, Okayama Prefecture



### Thank You for the Picture Books

"The children's playground was lost to the flood, but everyone is delighted by the picture books you delivered!"

- Staff at a nursery school, Etajima, Ehime Prefecture



### Clean Underwear!

"I can finally change my clothes for the first time in several days!"

- Evacuees who received a supply of new underwear, Okayama & Hiroshima Prefectures



### Feeling Cool

"Working in the mud in hot weather is no joke! The cold sheets we received were refreshing."

- Male evacuee, Kure, Hiroshima Prefecture

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## From the Airborne Rescue and Medical Team: Thank You For Your Support

### Amount raised through the hometown tax scheme: 10,200,000 JPY

A-PAD Japan received generous support from 551 people from 7 July 2018 - 30 September 2018 that amounted to 10,200,000 JPY through the hometown tax scheme in Saga. We would like to give our sincere gratitude to our donors. The lessons learned and network built from this disaster contributed to our efforts during the Hokkaido Earthquake. The Airborne Rescue and Medical Team, consisting of SAR dogs and doctors from Saga University, is supported by donations from many supporters.

Your continuous support will contribute to protect against future disasters. Currently, we are participating in the hometown tax scheme until the end of January and donors are eligible to receive gifts.

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