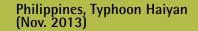
IN FOCUS:

INTERNATIONAL DISASTER RELIEF New York, Hurricane Sandy (Oct. 2012)

In October 2012, Hurricane Sandy devastated the East Coast of the USA. For over 6 months, Peace Boat worked in the New York City area with a local partner organization, dispatching coordinators and volunteers to assist affected communities. Volunteers were involved in both field and administrative operations, focusing mainly on the management and coordination of local volunteers and collecting and fulfilling the needs of the local residents. This has become a symbol of U.S -Japan solidarity and a model of how small teams of experienced volunteers can help local organizations fill their capacity in the surge following a disaster.



Typhoon Haiyan tore through the Philippines in November 2013, causing widespread devastation. Peace Boat dispatched experienced staff immediately to conduct field assessments and support coordination of relief efforts with a large number of domestic and international organizations that responded. With the active participation of local stakeholders, PBV and a local partner distributed emergency shelter repair kits to over 1,000 households on Biliran Island





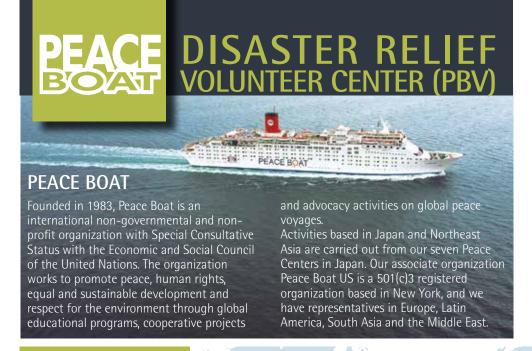


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Peace Boat: www.peaceboat.org/english

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PEACE BOAT'S DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS

As part of the organization's wider peace building activities, Peace Boat has carried out emergency relief operations for the past 18 years, delivering

emergency assistance and raising funds, as well as coordinating the dispatch of experienced logisticians, interpreters and volunteer teams to affected areas all over the world.

Peace Boat began its disaster relief work following the Kobe earthquake of 1995. Following the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami of 2011, Peace Boat established the Peace Boat Disaster Relief Volunteer Center (PBV) to focus on emergency relief in the stricken region and long-term support for its recovery, specializing in the training, dispatch and coordination of volunteers to support the relief efforts. Building on lessons learned in the 2011 disaster, Peace



Boat – while continuing its work in North-East Japan – is focusing longer-term on disaster relief and risk reduction in a local, national and global context, with the following strategic goals:

- 1 Strengthen the capability and capacity of community and volunteer organizations through improving the management and coordination of volunteers
- Strengthen the strategic role of the community and volunteers in all phases of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)
- Building disaster resilient communities

 Communities cannot be resilient in isolation.

DISASTER





DISASTER RELIEF SYSTEM

Peace Boat's principles for relief center on providing resources in four main areas: volunteers, supplies, funds, and information.



PBV'S CORE ACTIVITIES

DISASTER RELIEF IN JAPAN AND ABROAD

The Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake was the catalyst that triggered Peace Boat's disaster relief activities. Since then, we have provided support for disaster survivors all over the world. Peace Boat Disaster Relief Volunteer Center (PBV) was established in the aftermath of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami in 2011. PBV responds to both domestic and international disasters, sending personnel, supplies, funds and/or information to those in need.

THE GREAT **EAST JAPAN EARTHQUAKE: ACTIVITIES IN** DOMESTIC TOHOKU

AND INTERNATIONAL **DISASTER RFI IFF**

DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

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Japan is often viewed as a global leader in technology and is regarded as having one of the most advanced disaster preparedness systems in the world. However, our experiences of large-scale disasters have illustrated that any system has its cracks and vulnerabilities. PBV focuses on all phases of the disaster cycle: disaster prevention. mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. Through activities such as our Disaster Relief Volunteer Training Programme, conducted in non-disaster times, we help to prepare and strengthen civil response in times of disaster and fortify national and global disaster relief networks.

GREAT EAST JAPAN EARTHQUAKE: ACTIVITIES IN TOHOKU

In the wake of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami, PBV immediately dispatched personnel to the disaster-stricken areas. Volunteers commenced relief activities in two of the worst affected areas. Ishinomaki and Onagawa, Miyagi Prefecture. PBV continues to work closely with the local people along the path to recovery. In Fukushima Prefecture, we provide recreational and educational programmes aimed at children and vouths affected by the nuclear disaster to connect Fukushima to the rest of the world.



DISASTER RELIEF VOLUNTEER TRAINING PROGRAMME

It is crucial that relief efforts are not left solely up to the local disaster prevention and response professionals, such as the local government, fire department and medical staff. Citizens must also take responsibility to acquire skills that will allow them to volunteer to support the relief and recovery efforts. PBV aims to build a national network of trained disaster relief volunteers which, in the event of a major disaster, will not only be able to respond to disasters in their own areas, but will also have the capacity to assist other areas when called upon.

IN FOCUS:

DOMESTIC DISASTER RELIEF Peace Boat and the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami

On 11th March 2011, Japan was struck by a devastating 9.0-magnitude earthquake, triggering a tsunami that washed away several coastal cities, destroyed critical infrastructure and claimed almost 20,000 lives. In the wake of the disaster, Peace Boat commenced relief operations immediately in Ishinomaki City, one of the areas worst affected. In Ishinomaki City alone, over 3500 lives were lost and thousands of homes were washed away. To this day, we continue to work with local residents and other stakeholders in the long-term recovery of the area.



ACHIEVEMENTS:

Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Period between 11 March 2011 - 31 March 2013

13.816 individual people 85,564 Total volunteer working days





3,471 volunteer working days, from 56 countries and regions

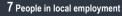
8,011 Corporate and Institution working days 102 companies / institutions



107,835 Hot meals distributed



1,790 Tonnes of relief supplies distributed



2,114 Buildings cleared of tsunami debris



26,000 Beneficiaries covered by psychosocial support at temporary housings

130 Vegetable/community gardens to provide treatment for stress, depression, grief and post traumatic stress

over 20,000 beneficiaries participated at Peace Boat community events.

