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Support Network for Visually Impaired Victims of the Eastern Japan's Massive Earthquake InTouch

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The Eastern Japan Earthquake Disaster Taking action to support visually impaired victims



The members of the first survey team, Toshinobu Kawagoe (middle left) and Naoki Kaneda (middle right) and other InTouch members.

JBS (Japan Broadcasting Service for Persons with Visual Impairment) has, together with everyone involved, initiated assistance efforts to support visually impaired victims of the great earthquake disaster.

JBS held an early morning meeting on March 12. It was followed by the production of a special broadcasting program to support visually impaired victims, and the decision was made to begin implementing support and assistance for them.

Working together with those involved, the outreach organization office for "InTouch" was set up on the first floor of the JBS Sonezaki Training Institute, in Kita-ku, Osaka-shi. Immediately after that, the support action started.

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InTouch Support Network

JBS (Japan Broadcasting Service for Persons with Visual Impairment)

The Iwate Welfare Association for the Visually Impaired

My Life Station Association

Kobe Eyelight Association

First Wind Association

We have been exchanging information with other volunteer organizations and, through the network, we are aiming to provide effective assistance and support.

Current Activities

1. Dispatching staff to the affected areas
2. Collecting data about visually impaired victims
3. Broadcasting programs about the disaster through JBS
4. Public relations through newsletters, the JBS homepage and Twitter.



A JBS announcer is broadcasting the breaking news.