

# Volunteer Activities

TPIEF provides a plethora of multicultural and international exchange events thanks to the volunteer efforts of our many interpreters. We're pleased to be able to broaden the scope of our activities through workshops and study sessions to boost volunteers' proficiency.



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## Independent Study for Medical & Community Volunteer Interpreters

Our Head Office provides monthly English language study sessions to help boost the skills of our registered medical and community volunteer interpreters. Participants gain practical training in such areas as health evaluations via blood tests, walking a patient through a colonoscopy, and drug administration and dosage.

Through the training in specialized knowledge and jargon for dispatch to medical and government facilities and individual research prior to dispatch, our volunteers are better able to provide smooth and accurate interpreting.



▲ Interpreting for blood tests

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## Japanese Language Class Volunteer



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I first started volunteering at Japanese language classes last year. I had participated in the Tottori-Vermont youth exchange when I was in high school, which had a big impact on my current job and on my life in general. I thought this would be a good way to support the overseas community in Tottori. Through helping out with the classes I've been deeply impressed by the amount of work foreign residents put into mastering Japanese. I'm looking forward to continuing these volunteer activities into the future.

## Brush-up Course for Volunteer Interpreters

With Tokyo chosen as the site of the 2025 World Athletics Championships, Tottori is scheduled to host camp for the Jamaican track-and-field champions. To make the best use of our volunteer interpreters in offering a warm welcome to the athletes and their associates, Jamaica was the focus of this last brush-up course.

With few opportunities to speak English to Jamaican people within Tottori, YouTube has proven an invaluable resource for study and a great source of inspiration and motivation.

### Head Office Hours

Business hours at our head office will change on 1 April 2024.

- Open : Weekdays 9:00-18:00 Sunday 9:00-17:00
- Closed : Saturdays, national holidays and the New Year's period (Closed Saturdays as of 1 April)

### Intercultural Festivals in 2024

● **Yonago International Exchange Festival 2024**  
Date: (Sun) 6 October Venue: Yonago Cultural Hall

● **Kurayoshi International Exchange Festival 2024**  
Date: (Sun) 10 November Venue: Houki Shiawase no Sato

● **36th Annual TIME Festival**  
Date: (Sun) 24 November Venue: Torigin Bunka Kaikan