

The History of JCI Japan

1951	Feb	First General Assembly of the founding of Japan Jaycees (in Tokyo)	1994	Mar	Began to promote "The Global Mottainai Movement" as a JCI endorsed program
	Nov	Affiliated to Junior Chamber International (at the 6th JCI World Congress in Montreal)		Nov	Hosted the 49th JCI World Congress (in Kobe)
1952	Apr	Hosted the 2nd JCI Asian Conference (in Tokyo)	1995	Feb	Organized nationwide relief activities for the victims of the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake
1953	Nov	Held the 1st National Convention (in Nagoya)	1996	Oct	Held the 10th Anniversary Japan JC-China Youth Exchange Program
1956	Apr	Sent a medical team to South Vietnam		Apr	Established the "Heart Network Center" for the victims of the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake (in Kobe)
1957	Oct	Hosted the 12th JCI World Congress (in Tokyo)	1997	May	Hosted the 46th JCI Asia Pacific Conference (in Kanazawa)
1959	Apr	Held the 1st National Board of Directors Meeting (in Tokyo)		Jan	Established the "Information Network Center" at the Japan JC HQ, for relief activities for the heavy oil disaster in the San-Ruku area
1960	Jan	Established the Japan Jaycee Creed	1998	Apr	Held the US-Japan Global Citizens' Conference (USJC-Japan JC)
	Sept	Launched the Japan Jaycees Senior Club	1999	Feb	Raised emergency relief funds for victims of the South American Great Earthquake
1961	May	Celebrated the 10th Anniversary Ceremony (in Osaka)		Apr	Held the 1st "Japan-Korea Junior Soccer Games" (held through 2001, Korea JC-Japan JC)
1962	Apr	Hosted the 12th JCI Asian Conference (in Osaka)		Aug	Raised emergency relief funds for victims of the Turkey Great Earthquake / sent research mission to the area
1963	Apr	Hosted the 13th JCI Asian Conference (in Naha)	2000	Sep	Raised emergency relief funds for victims of the Taiwan Great Earthquake
1964	June	Carried out the Great Niigata Earthquake Rescue Project		June	Raised emergency relief funds for the victims of the Indonesia Great Earthquake
1966	Aug	Held the 1st Seminar on Political Proposals (in Tokyo)	2001	Sep	Raised emergency relief funds for victims of severe winter in Mongolia
	Nov	Hosted the 21st JCI World Congress (in Kyoto)		Nov	Hosted the 55th JCI World Congress (in Sapporo)
1970	Mar	Sent the first Northern Territories Research Mission to Nemuro		Feb	Raised emergency relief funds for the victims of the India Great Earthquake
	May	Hosted the 20th JCI Asian Conference (in Fukuoka)		Feb	Raised emergency relief funds for the victims of the El Salvador Great Earthquake
1971	Feb	Celebrated the 20th Anniversary Ceremony (in Tokyo)		Apr	Celebrated the 50th Anniversary
	June	Organized the 1st Jaycee Asian Youth Voyage (project carried out until 1989)		Oct	Adopted the "New Proclamation of Japan Junior Chamber"
	June	Okinawa Jaycees (Okinawa still under US occupation) officially join Japan Junior Chamber		Oct	Raised emergency relief funds for the victims of the terrorist attacks on New York City
1972	June	Celebration held for the return of Okinawa to Japan (in Naha)	2002	Oct	Raised emergency relief funds for Afghan refugees
1974	May	Carried out rescue project for the victims of the earthquake in Minami Izu		May	Hosted the 52nd JCI Asia Pacific Conference (in Sendai)
	Oct	Held the first Exchange Conference of Japan and the Soviet Union Youth (in Tokyo)	2004	Nov	Hosted the 59th JCI World Congress (in Fukuoka)
1975	Apr	Sent a Friendship Mission to the African region	2006	May	Hosted the 56th JCI Asia Pacific Conference (in Takamatsu)
	May	Hosted the 25th JCI Asian Conference (in Sapporo)	2007	Oct	Asia Network Exchange Top Leaders Summit 2007
1977	June	Held the 1st Japan Jaycees Onboard Academy School	2008	Aug-Sept	Mutual Understanding School
	Nov	Japanese becomes one of the official languages of correspondence of JCI	2009	June	Hosted the 59th JCI Asia Pacific Conference (in Nagano)
1978	Jul	Held the 1st Young Business Leaders National Convention (in Tokyo)	2010	Nov	Hosted the 65th JCI World Congress (in Osaka)
	Oct	Opening of the Japan Junior Chamber HQ building in Hirakawa-cho, in Tokyo	2011	Oct	Celebrated the 60th Anniversary Ceremony
1980	Oct	Opening of the Japan Junior Chamber HQ building in Hirakawa-cho, in Tokyo	2012	Mar	Great East Japan Earthquake Disaster Recovery Achievement Forum in Morioka
	Nov	Hosted the 35th JCI World Congress (in Tokyo)	2013	Mar	Great East Japan Earthquake Disaster Recovery Achievement Forum in Miyagi
	Mar	Mission dispatched to survey Indo-Chinese refugees	2014	Mar	Great East Japan Earthquake Disaster Recovery Achievement Forum in Fukushima
1982	May	Hosted the 32nd JCI Asian Conference (in Miyazaki)	2015	Nov	Hosted the 64th JCI Asia Pacific Conference (in Yamagata)
1983	Jan	Held an Administrative Reform Summit (in Tokyo)		Jan	Hosted the 70th JCI World Congress (in Kanazawa)
	Feb	"Watch the National Diet" movement launched nationwide		Apr	Launched the JCI Japan <i>SMILE by WATER</i> campaign in support of the UNSDGs
1984	May	Educational Reform Summit held (in Tokyo)			Hosted the JCI Kanazawa Conference
	Aug	Three Generation Exchange Prime Minister's Cup Gateball Match held (in Tokyo)	2017	Apr-Oct	Held “Future Dialogue” (Dialogues held with the UK, Germany, Indonesia, India, and Bangladesh)
1985	Nov	Donated a bulldozer to a refugee camp in Somalia	2018	May	Hosted the 68th JCI Asia Pacific Conference (in Kagoshima)
			2019	Jan	Declaration of Collaboration between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan and JCI Japan to promote the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.
1986	Nov	Hosted the 41st JCI World Congress (in Nagoya)	2020	Oct-Nov	Hosted the 75th JCI World Congress (in Yokohama)
1987	Apr	Vaccines against Japanese Encephalitis dispatched to Nepal	2021	Oct.	Celebrated the 70th Anniversary Ceremony
	Sept	Began accepting job trainees from mainland China	2022	May	Hosted the 72nd JCI Asia Pacific Conference (in Sakai Takaishi)
1988	Apr	1st JCI Academy held (in Okinawa)	2023	May	Held JCI Japan Global Peace Summit (at the JCI Asia Pacific Conference in Jakarta)
	Aug	Held relay run on the "Return the Northern Territories Train" (Belle Train to Nemuro)	2024	November	Hosted Global Peace Summit in partnership with JCI (at the JCI World Congress in Zurich)
1989	May	Hosted the 39th JCI Asia Pacific Area Conference (in Yokohama)		January	Launched the JCI Japan SMILE by ACTION campaign in support of the UN SDGs
	June	Nationwide launch of the Global Project to Save the Environment Campaign	2025	June	Held JCI Japan Global Peace Summit (at the JCI Asia and the Pacific Conference in Angkor)
1990	July	Held the "Young Businessmen's Meeting" at EXPO 90 (in Osaka)		November	Global Youth UN Ambassador Program
1991	Aug	Co-hosted the 1st JCI International Model United Nations with JCI (at the United Nations HQ in New York)			Approved as JCI-endorsed Program
1992	Oct	Celebrated the 40th Anniversary (in Tokyo)			
	Mar	Carried out a rescue project for the victims of the Mt. Unzen-Fugen-Dake volcanic eruption			
	Apr	Sent the 1st Global Training School (to the Philippines)			
	May	Held the 42nd JCI Asia Pacific Area Conference (in Kitakyushu)			
1993	June	Attended the Earth Summit (Rio de Janeiro) as one of the NGOs and organized NGO Summit			
	Jan	Began to organize and promote Mottanai (waste not) movement in Japan			
	Apr	Organized a project in support of the Somali refugees			