



May 15, 2019

AEON 1% Club Foundation

Supporting Working People with Disabilities in the Tohoku Region
**Presentation of Funds for Support for
Manufacturing by Persons with Disabilities**
Holding a Presentation Ceremony at an
Employment Support Office for the Disabled in Sendai City

The AEON 1% Club Foundation held a Presentation Ceremony to hand over funds raised for "Support for Manufacturing by Persons with Disabilities" on May 13 (Mon.), at "Pokke no Mori" (Sendai City, Miyagi Prefecture), a Type-B Continuous Employment Support Office for the Disabled.

The funds on this occasion were raised during the period from February 9 (Sat.) to March 10 (Sun.) at approximately 8,000 AEON Group stores and offices nationwide. The sum donated by our customers, 19,296,830 yen, was combined with an equal amount contributed by the Foundation, with the addition of 144,485 yen in sales proceeds from the Charity Bazaar that was held alongside the fundraising effort, and the total amount of 38,738,145 yen was presented to the NPO Association for Aid and Relief Japan (AAR Japan)*. The donated funds will be utilized at Employment Support Offices for the Disabled in Iwate, Miyagi and Fukushima Prefectures, helping to support expansion of production facilities and hosting of sales events, as well as initiatives that aim towards improved independence and social participation of people with disabilities.

This year marks the sixth year of the fundraising activity, having been started in 2013 in order to support reconstruction and revitalization in the Tohoku region. The total donated funds so far, including the current amount, have reached 206,921,057 yen.

The Foundation will continue to conduct activities in future with the aim of revitalizing the Tohoku region, hand in hand with our customers from across Japan.

Presentation Ceremony of Funds for Support for Manufacturing by Persons with Disabilities

1. Date:	May 13 (Mon.) 2019, 14:00~15:00
2. Location:	"Pokke no Mori" (Type-B Continuous Employment Support Office)

	2-2-1 Hitokita, Taihaku-ku, Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture		
3. Recipient:	Association for Aid and Relief, Japan (AAR Japan)		
4. Donated Amount:	38,738,145 yen		
	(Details)	Raised funds:	19,296,830 yen
		Contribution from the Foundation:	19,296,830 yen
		Sales proceeds from Charity Bazaar:	144,485 yen
5. Attendees:	Mr. Takashi Sugawara	Head of Planning for the Disabled Section, Welfare for the Disabled Department, Sendai City Bureau of Health and Welfare	
	Ms. Chie Hoshino	Director, Social Welfare Corporation Pokke no Mori Community Network	
	Mr. Yoshiteru Horie	Secretary General, AAR Japan	
	Mr. Yuho Iesaka	Chief Representative of Tohoku Region	
	Mr. Yousei Honda	Secretary General of the AEON 1% Club Foundation	
6. Contents of Support:	Support for expansion of production facilities, hosting of sales events, etc., at Employment Support Offices for the Disabled in Iwate, Miyagi and Fukushima Prefectures		



Presentation Ceremony



People who work at Pokke no Mori

*Association for Aid and Relief, Japan (AAR Japan): AAR Japan was established in 1979 in Japan as a civic organization to aid Indochinese refugees. The Association's initiatives include aid for victims of natural disasters and refugees of conflict, as well as support for people with disabilities and countermeasures against landmines, in more than 60 countries and regions thus far.