About Corners

The Origin

"Corners" was named after "CORNERS STONE" from the bible by Minister Murayama of Abeno Church, United Church of Christ in Japan. It is a stone carpenter once thew away while building a house but reused to be a foundation of the new house. To develop a community and a society where handicapped people can live naturally also means to develop good environment for anyone to live in comfort. Handicapped people are also foundation stones to support our society.

Establishment

Since established in 1981 as "Let's live together in Abeno Association" mainly by guardians of the handicapped and pre-school workers, we have been operating support activities on living conditions of the handicapped such as housing, education, employment and leisure for 25 years with respect and support to each other, aiming to live together in community regardless of handicapped or not. In history of welfare for the handicapped in Japan, the handicapped were distinguished from the non-handicapped. Social welfare policies were performed as administrative measures that will of the parties concerned were rarely respected. In 2003, support fund was introduced. After The Service and Support for Persons with Disabilities Act was enacted in 2006, many public facilities and transportation became handicapped-accessible. Although the word "Normalization" is getting gradually familiar, Japan is still undeveloped country for welfare compared to other developed countries. Under this circumstance, we thought that now it is a phase of developing "Normalization" to "Social Inclusion". We aim to contribute to the progress of social welfare by trying to actualize the society that accepts all the people in region that anyone can live in comfort, along with supporting employment and independent living of the Handicapped. We decided to turn into non profit organization to obtain more social trust for our activities to be developed, inherited and to be recognized and supported by more people in the community. Since our purpose is to "aim progress of the health, medical and welfare" and not for profit, Corners was established as nonprofit organization.

Our Mission

We have experienced all kinds of joy and sadness through our past activities. Our wish is to have appreciation to everything and strength to change anything into "laughter" to accept all the things and live together with our precious people with a smile.

Mission 1 - People

Live and grow together cherishing each one of our life. Help each other with mutual respect, aiming for trustworthy relationships in equality. Do not forget the feelings of gratitude and greet with a smile.

Mission 2 - Space

Create a happy, relaxing and healing space with respect to each other to be open for all kinds of people to meet and communicate. Develop an environment for accepting new people. Aim to be "Corners" that people can be proud of to be involved.

Mission 3 - Activities

Aim to have activities accordingly to each one of our characteristics both in short and long period with a variety of events. Challenge for new creative activities based on our experience built in the past activities.

Mission 4 - Community

Aim to be regionally-oriented "Corners" that our local community can treasure.

Cherish close communications with our local community as a member of the society.

Aim to be "Corners" that accepts all the people by each of us having a role and a existence value.

Mission 5 - Solidality

Cooperate and collaborate with other facilities and group. Value reporting and consulting of each work.

Aim to share cares.

Mission 6 - Food

Be conscious about food and health and have well-balanced and nutritious diet.

Mission 7- Beauty

Create and maintain a beautiful environment with respect to season's transition.

Develop a sense to enjoy the beauty and develop creative power.

Mission 8- Laugh

Laughter brings you happiness. Let's keep walking with smile on thoughts, words and actions.