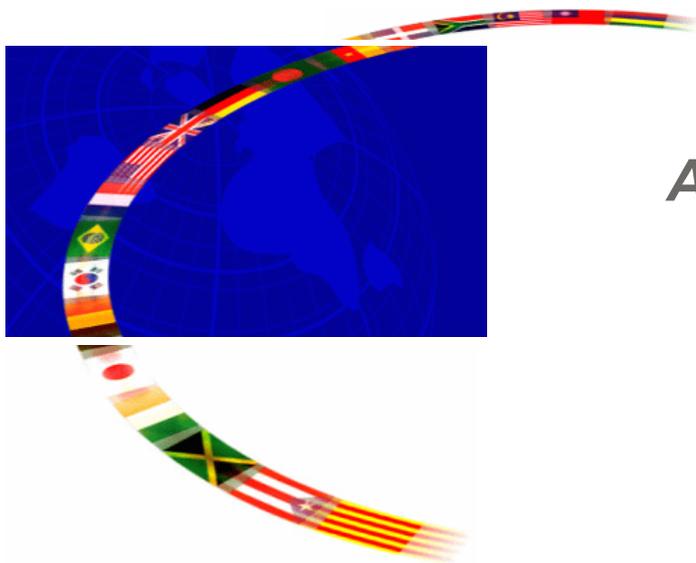




**Junior Chamber International**  
Worldwide Federation of Young Leaders and Entrepreneurs



## *Awards Entry*

2016 Asia-pacific Conference  
kids adventure  
JCI JAPAN  
Best Inter-organization Collaboration Project



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### Entry Information

Award Program:

Category:

### NOM Information

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### Basic Information

Duration : September 30th Wed, October 5th Mon, and

Staff : 126 member

Sponsors : Osaka Young Buddhist Association, Osaka City Board of Education,  
Osaka Police, Sumiyoshi Grand Sh

Budget : US\$76,152

Profit / Loss : 0

In which UN MDG best  
fit (if apply) : ?:

Who is benefited ? : Children living in Osaka city

Objective : The objective is to produce many active children who can: •Regard various social issues as their own ones. •Become interested in different cultures and various values. •Believe in their potential in any situation. • Have a big dream toward their ideal future.

Overview : JCI Osaka ran this program with the aim of producing many active children who can regard various social issues as their own ones, become interested in different cultures and various values, believe in their potential in any situation, and have a big dream toward their ideal future. JCI Osaka let the children: 1. Experience various problems with their five senses that they have overlooked. 2. Exchange opinions with other children of the same age who have different background not only in a verbal way but also in an emotional one. 3. Enhance their potential by interacting with people of various generations who have already achieved their dreams with their efforts. 4. Express their will to live with energy through experiencing various things that they have not experienced in their daily life before.

Results : JCI Osaka examined how they could achieve its objective and how participating children made positive change by giving questionnaires to them. Q1. Did you cooperate with your friends in this program? A1. No: 9%, Yes: 91% Q2. Did you care for your friends in this program? A2. No: 12%, Yes: 88% Q3. Did you have cross-cultural experience by interacting with foreign children? A3. No: 25%, Yes: 75% Q4. Did you challenge various problems with your friends in this program? A4. No: 8%, Yes: 92% Q5. After this program, did you have a bigger dream than before? A5. No: 13%, Yes: 87% The results of the questionnaires above showed that JCI Osaka could produce many active children who have a big dream toward their ideal future.

Actions Taken : October 2014 – October 2015 1. JCI Osaka read through public documents and literature in order to find out what the important strength for children is. As a result of this, JCI Osaka formulated the hypothesis that “letting children have a big dream” is its task. 2. To test the hypothesis, JCI Osaka interviewed citizens, companies and the government. 3. As a result of this interview, JCI Osaka identified the hypothesis as its actual task. 4. JCI Osaka members thought about how they can enhance child’s potential to have a big dream. Then they found out that formative experiences are very important and interacting with foreign people is necessary for broadening children’s future choices. 5. JCI Osaka decided to hold “Kids Adventure” program so that both Japanese and foreign children can easily participate in it. 6. JCI Osaka built a connection with foreign Local Organizations, Japanese citizens, companies and the government who can cooperate with them. 7. JCI Osaka discussed a plan with foreign Local Organizations, Japanese citizens, companies and the government. September 2015 1. The total of 48 people from Cambodia, Taipei, and Thai applied for this program. After discussion, JCI Osaka decided to accept 17 Cambodian, 11 Taiwanese, and 5 Thai. 2. JCI Osaka held a presentation meeting on the program at all elementary schools in Osaka and recruited participants on the website. 3. The fixed number of participants was 60. However, 478 children applied for this program. The participants were decided by drawing lots. 4. 60 Japanese children and 33 foreign ones were selected. JCI Osaka followed up these participants. September 30th and October 5th 2015 1. JCI Osaka held orientations for staff, host families and volunteer translators. 2. JCI Osaka gave them precise instructions on brief overview of this program. October 6th 2015 1. JCI Osaka held an

orientation for participating children and their parents to tell them about safety measures and brief overview of this program. 2. JCI Osaka separated the children from their parents in the middle of the orientation. JCI Osaka let the children build up a team and deepen a sense of unity. JCI Osaka helped the parents understand the objective of this program by answering their questions. October 9th 2015 1. JCI Osaka welcomed foreign participants at Kansai Airport and took them to the office of JCI Osaka by bus to hold an orientation for them. 2. After the orientation, the foreign participants met their host families. October 10th 2015 1. JCI Osaka held "Kids Adventure" program. 60 Japanese children and 33 foreign ones participated in this program. 2. JCI Osaka took attendance at Sumiyoshi Grand Shrine. Participating children had ice break time. 3. After having lunch, participants took a class of English conversation. 4. Participants were divided into groups and had a walk rally at Sumiyoshi Grand Shrine. They experienced Japanese unique culture through this walk rally. 5. JCI Osaka had a welcome party at Sumiyoshi Grand Shrine. Participants enjoyed Japanese food at food stalls. 6. Participants were divided into groups and had a courage test at Sumiyoshi Grand Shrine at night. 7. After taking Japanese traditional public bath, participants had a meeting to review what they did on the day. After the meeting, they went to bed. October 11th 2015 1. On the second day, participants took a tram to the tallest building in Japan "Abeno Harukas." They experienced a backstage tour and enjoyed the view from the observatory. 2. They walked from Shitennoji Park to Shitennoji Temple. They collected series of stamps there. 3. They walked about 10km through Shitennoji Temple, Sanko Shrine, Chokyuji Temple, Hoanji Temple, Okuninushi Shrine, Imamiyaebisu Shrine, and Homanji Temple. 4. They walked from Taihoji Temple to Kuromon Market to get ingredients for dinner. 5. They were divided into groups and made curry and rice at Ikutama Shrine. Judges had each group's curry and rice and selected the most delicious one. 6. After taking Japanese traditional public bath, participants were divided into 10 groups and arrived at each temple around Ikutama Shrine. 7. They had a review meeting at each temple and went to bed. October 12th 2015 1. On the third day, participants cleaned the temples before leaving. 2. They had breakfast at Ikutama Shrine and moved to Minatomachi Riverside. 3. Commemorative photos of all participants were taken at Minatomachi Riverside. They got on a boat and took a tour of Osaka city. 4. They got off the boat at Yodoyabashi, and observed "Tekijuku" which used to be a school and also a house of Ogata Koan. 5. They went through Osaka City Hall, and had a barbeque lunch at Yodogawa riverside. 6. They walked toward Osaka Castle that was their final destination. Commemorative photos were taken at Osaka Castle Park. 7. JCI Osaka held a farewell party at KKR Hotel. 8. The representative of each team made a presentation on this program. All children drew a picture of their dreams and made a presentation in front of all participants. 9. At the end of the party, JCI Osaka screened a documentary video of this program and also a credit roll. 10. Japanese children went home with their parents. Foreign children stayed at KKR Hotel. October 13th 2015 1. JCI Osaka saw off foreign children and facilitators at Kansai Airport.

Recommendations : Japanese children experienced various things and culture in Osaka through this three-day "Kids Adventure" program. As a result of this, 87% of participating children said that they could have a bigger dream than before. Foreign children also participated in this program this time. As a result of this, JCI Osaka could cultivate children's sensitivity so that they can become interested in foreign countries. In addition, JCI Osaka could produce many active children who can regard various social issues as their own, become interested in different cultures and various values, believe in their own potential in any situation, and have a big dream toward their ideal future. [Issues] 1. Taking children's physical condition into consideration, JCI Osaka had to change the planned route and accommodations. 2. JCI Osaka didn't tell this program's rule properly to volunteers, which caused inconveniences for them. [Improvements] JCI Osaka needs to hold a close hearing and simulate any situations beforehand.



## Award Category criteria

# 1

### Objectives, Planning, Finance and Execution

- What were the objectives of this program? This program aims to produce many active children who can regard various social issues as their own, become interested in different cultures and various values, believe in their own potential in any situation, and have a big dream toward their ideal future.
- How does this program align to the JCI Plan of Action? This program can cultivate children's sensitivity. It plans to produce active children continuously in cooperation with citizens, companies, organizations and the government so that children have formative experience consecutively. For the reason set forth above, this program aligns to the JCI Plan of Action.
- Was the budget an effective guide for the financial management of the project? JCI Osaka could run this program without spending much money to accommodations and food in cooperation with citizens, companies and the government.
- How does this project advance the JCI Mission and Vision? JCI Mission This program produces many active children who can have a big dream. It also provides development opportunities that empower young people create positive change. JCI Vision JCI Osaka runs this program to produce many active leaders, interact with foreign countries, and build a global network.



## Award Category criteria

# 2

### Cooperation between the Local Organizations

How did the two organizations work together?

JCI members from Japan, Cambodia, Taipei, and Thai were divided into teams and exchanged opinions with each other. They helped each other and played an important role as a facilitator to keep children safe in the three-day program.

Describe how the tasks and planning of the project were divided between the organizations.

JCI Osaka organized the whole program. JCI members from Cambodia, Taipei, and Thai participated in this program as a facilitator.



**Award Category criteria****3****Impact on Members and Contribution to the JCI Vision**

How did the members of the Local Organizations benefit from running this project?

By running this program, JCI Osaka could: Learn how to interact with children. Rediscover Japanese traditional culture. Realize the importance of interacting with the local community. Learn about foreign cultures and the difference of values. Build friendly relationships with overseas JCI members.

How did the program advance the JCI Vision?

By running this program, JCI Osaka could: Exchange opinions actively with overseas JCI members through having contact with them for more than half a year. Learn about foreign cultures and values so as to welcome overseas JCI members. Build a global network.



## Award Category criteria

## 4

## Community Impact

- How did the Local Organizations measure community impact? JCI Osaka asked for cooperation of Sumiyoshi Grand Shrine and Osaka Young Buddhist Association so that participants can stay at these places for free. JCI Osaka asked for cooperation of local shopping streets and companies so that children can have a walk rally safely.
- Describe the actual community impact produced by this project. Participating children will talk about their experiences in this walk rally to their friends who could not participate in it. The children who heard about the experiences want to go to the same places and will actually go there. The local community will be revitalized because children gather these places. By holding this program continuously, JCI Osaka will be able to build a deeper trust with local citizens, companies and the government. It will enable JCI Osaka to get greater cooperation from them.



**Award Category criteria****5****Long-term Impact of the Program**

What is the expected long-term impact of this project?

Participating children will grow up to be young business leaders and think they are here thanks to this program. This program can produce such business leaders a lot. By cultivating children's sensitivity continuously in cooperation with overseas JCI members, JCI Osaka will produce many children who can challenge the world.

What changes would you make to improve the results of this project?

With the aim of cultivating children's sensitivity continuously, JCI Osaka needs to build a community where local citizens, companies, organizations and the government can nurture children in cooperation with each other.

