

Kobe City Disaster-Safe Welfare Community

- Lessons from the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake



KOBE CITY

Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake

Damage



News Photos

Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake

Rescue Operations and Fire Fighting by Citizens



Rescue Operations

Fire fighting bucket brigade



Voluntary Disaster-Prevention Groups in Kobe

Kobe Disaster-Prevention Welfare Community

“BOKOMI”

Scale: For each elementary school district

(Approx. more than 2000 households are included in 1 group)

*** 191 groups in Kobe (100%)**

Organizations { Headquarters
Block groups (Section for information,
firefighting, rescue and aid, evacuation guidance,
and living.)

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Activity details

(1) Disaster-prevention activities

Disaster-prevention drills and training, first-aid seminar, check of materials and equipment, arson prevention patrol, preparation of community safety map, etc

(2) Welfare activity

Friendship lunch and visit

** Aiming to form organizations that can take action against major disasters*

Activities of “BOKOMI” (1)



BOKOMI Junior teams



Activities of “BOKOMI” (2)



Cooperation /
BOKOMI and business entities



Activities of “BOKOMI” (3)

Disaster Education /
BOKOMI and Schools



Activities of “BOKOMI” (4)

Uozakicho Disaster-Safe Welfare
Community/
Emergency drill to rescue
persons with special needs in
time of disaster



Support measures conducted by Kobe City

★ Provision of materials for disaster-prevention groups formed



★ Subsidizing of activity costs

-Operation costs and Proposal-oriented activity cost

★ Support for Developing Civil Disaster-Prevention Leaders



★ Area firefighters support for BOKOMI



Future Prospective (participation of young people)



**Exercise in cooperation
with schools**

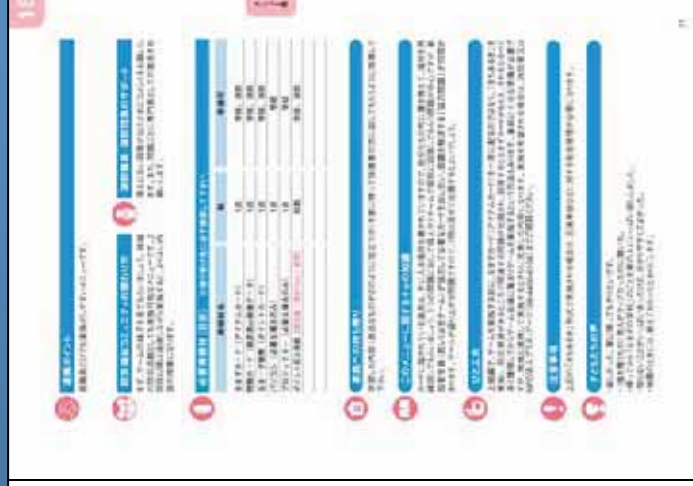
**Education program for disaster-
prevention (schools + BOKOMI)**



Future Perspective (Lessons from the Disaster)

[BOKOMI School guide]

KOBE City Disaster Prevention Education Support Programs(2009)



JICA's training and dialogue program

“Community-based disaster prevention-Introduction of KOBE's Efforts”

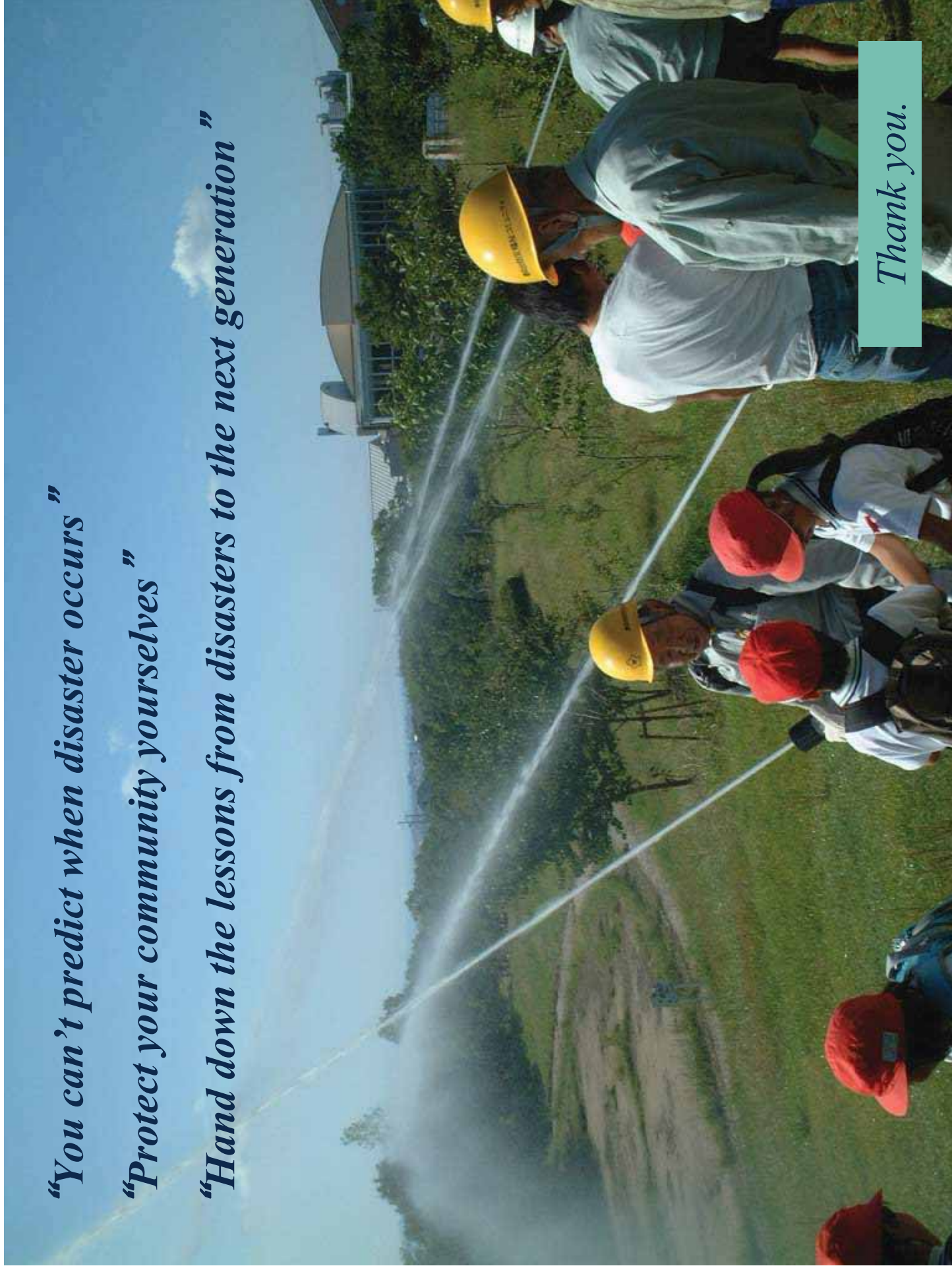
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“You can’t predict when disaster occurs”

“Protect your community yourselves”

“Hand down the lessons from disasters to the next generation”



Thank you.

