Activities by Public Interest Incorporated Foundations

Principle and Outline

In order to further the welfare work that the Daigas Group has conducted as a company volunteer through the “Small Light Campaign,” which was started in 1981 (the UN International Year of Disabled Persons) in a more planned and ongoing manner, 362 companies including Osaka Gas and affiliate companies, the associations comprised of contracted companies providing sales of gas appliances and other services, pipe working joined together in October 1985 to establish and fund the Osaka Gas Group Welfare Foundation in honor of Osaka Gas’ 80th anniversary. The Foundation is involved in subsidizing local welfare activities for the elderly and surveys/research conducted by universities and medical institutions, and in promoting fitness efforts aimed at helping senior citizens maintain and improve their health.

In September 1992, the Osaka Gas International Exchange Foundation was founded and fully funded by Osaka Gas, and in October 2010 the Foundation was granted authorization by the Cabinet Office to transition into a public interest incorporated foundation. The Foundation now works to deepen mutual understanding with countries in Southeast Asia, Oceania, and South Asia, and to contribute to international goodwill.

Assisting the Elderly - The Osaka Gas Group Welfare Foundation

Set up in 1985 through the contribution of Daigas Group companies, the Osaka Gas Group Welfare Foundation operates in six prefectures of the Kansai region, mainly engaging in (1) funding welfare projects, (2) researching and surveying the elderly population and (3) supporting health-promotion projects to help maintain and improve the health of the elderly.

In FY2026, the Foundation provided 7.00 million yen in subsidies to 60 welfare projects for the elderly, and 7.57 million yen in subsidies to 10 investigation and research projects, and carried out 106 health-promotion projects involving 6,380 participants.



Health-promotion project: Gathering for health promotion



Grant Projects: Reports for each fiscal year

Results of each activity (cumulative total from FY1986-FY2026)

(1) Funding to Enhance the Welfare of the Elderly	3,228 cases	725 million yen
(2) Funding for Research and Surveys	694 cases	468 million yen
(3) Health-promotion project	6,413 times	458,510 participants

Distribution of “Health Seminar for the Elderly” on YouTube

In conjunction with the renewal of our website in FY2022, we have created the video content “Health Seminar for the Elderly” and have started distributing it on YouTube.

We will continue to annually distribute content that can be used for health promotion in the elderly.



Video content “Health Seminar for the Elderly”

Doing Our Part on the International Scene - The Osaka Gas Foundation of International Cultural Exchange

Deepening friendship and mutual understanding with countries in Southeast Asia, Oceana, and South Asia

The Osaka Gas Foundation of International Cultural Exchange provides aid services to promote mutual understanding with countries in Southeast Asia, Oceania, and South Asia, as well as contribute to international goodwill.

In FY2026, in addition to its ongoing support activities in Indonesia, including grants for educational equipment to elementary and junior high schools, scholarships for 285 students, research grants in the energy and environment fields for three universities, and a short-term training program in Japan for two graduate students, the Foundation provided emergency grants to areas affected by heavy rainfalls in Sumatra in November 2025, bringing its total grants to approximately 14.16 million yen. For Malaysia, the Foundation provided a total of 9.23 million yen in subsidies, such as English education assistance, experimental research grants, and scholarships to 12 university students. For East Timor, the Foundation provided a total of approximately 3.54 million yen in scholarships to 20 university and graduate students, and support for the resumption of Japanese language courses at a university.

The Foundation also started to offer two new grants: approximately 2.99 million yen for mutual short-term visits for junior high school students in Malaysia and Osaka, and approximately 1.88 million yen in research grants to a university in Sri Lanka.

In the 33 years since the establishment, the Foundation has provided subsidies totaling 670.21 million yen, scholarships to 11,485 students, and grants for 493 research themes. We will continue to launch new activities and expand the scope of support.



A research presentation at Wayamba University of Sri Lanka

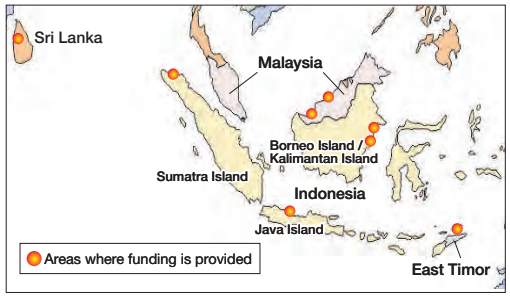


A presentation ceremony at the National University of Timor-Lorosa'e

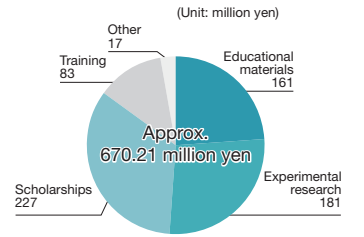


A scene from a mutual exchange between junior high school students from Malaysia and Japan

Scope of Funding



Total Assistance Provided from FY1993 though FY2026



The Osaka Gas Foundation of International Cultural Exchange

Grant Disbursement (single-year base)

(unit: thousand yen)

	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
Educational materials	1,973	2,115	2,410	2,436	3,984
Experimental research	5,332	6,935	7,176	7,389	9,399
Scholarships	8,512	9,564	12,589	10,866	10,887
Training	313	3,281	3,331	3,429	6,337
Total	**16,129**	**21,895**	**25,506**	**24,120**	**30,607**