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### 3-(3) Japan Outreach Initiative (JOI)

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This program aims to promote understanding and awareness of Japan in regions of the United States with relatively few Japan-related activities and opportunities for exchange and to nurture new leaders in the field of grass-roots exchange. Japanese individuals, placed mainly in the southern and midwestern U.S., volunteer as outreach coordinators at organizations with outreach programs such as Japan-America societies and universities. Coordinators provide information about Japanese culture, society, everyday life, and language in local community settings and organize activities that foster exchange between the United States and Japan.

#### Example of Activities

- (1) Give presentations on Japanese culture and society to schools, colleges, and the community.
- (2) Organize or coordinate a Japan Festival based on a Japanese holiday, event, or custom.
- (3) Organize or coordinate lectures or discussion programs on traditional and current Japanese culture and society.
- (4) Facilitate and develop exchange activities between the local community and Japan.

**Duration** Two years

**Assistance** A \$750 monthly stipend, round-trip air tickets, and housing, etc. are provided.

**Application Deadline** January 7, 2010

**Administration** The program is administered jointly by the CGP and The Lurasian Institution. For further details and application materials, please contact:

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