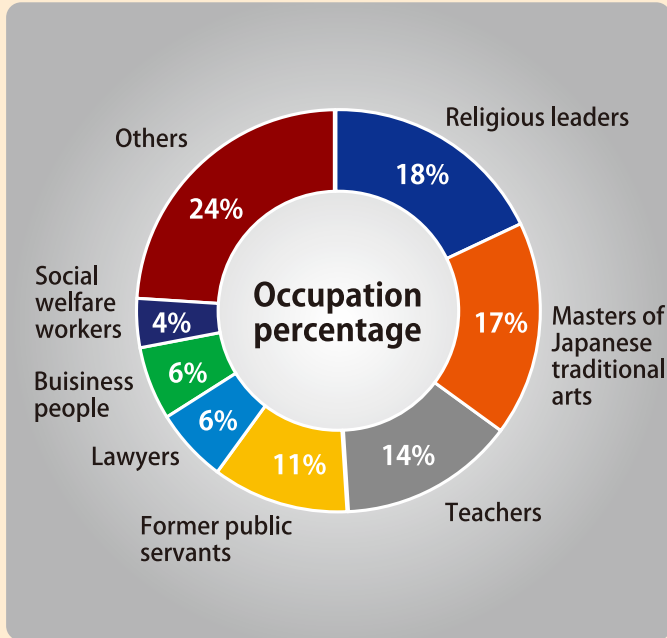


Occupations of volunteer visitors

The association consists of teachers and licensed lawyers, religious leaders, masters of Japanese traditional arts (Japanese tea ceremony, Flower arrangement, etc.), with approximately 1,500 VPV members across Japan.



History and Organization

The activities of VPV have started under the auspices of the Ministry of Justice after the World War II. The VPV system was established by modeling on the volunteer prison visitors activities of the UK in the 19th century. It spread out each region of Japan soon after its foundation. The National Volunteer Prison Visitors' Association was established in 1987. All volunteer visitors within correctional facilities in Japan were assigned as the members of the association.

Functions

The association helps the volunteers support the activities within the correctional facilities. The main activities of the association are to:

1. Provide the members with basic training and education that is necessary for VPV activities.
2. Honor their achievements.
3. Research the issues related to VPV's activities.

Support the activities of the association

All costs of the activities are supported by donations from the members, miscellaneous organizations, and philanthropists. We appreciate that many people would support and understand the activities in order to maintain and develop our activities.

We appreciate your mental or financial support to the activities of the association that support inmates' reintegration into society.

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Volunteer Prison Visitors (VPV)

We, VPV, provide various rehabilitative support such as personal counseling or consultation and educational guidance based upon our expertise and experience with inmates including juveniles upon requests.

We receive a commission from the Ministry of Justice to visit correctional facilities for the purpose of supporting their successful reintegration into society.



Chiba Prison



Tachikawa Detention House

Activities of Volunteer Prison Visitors



Legal consultations



Club activity: Tea ceremony



Club activity: Flower arrangement



Abacus calculation class



Club activity: Japanese chess



Club activity: Postcard art class