



Disaster Situation Summary

● At around **4:27 p.m. on July 28, 2026**, an earthquake with a maximum seismic intensity of 7 struck the Kumamoto area in Kumamoto Prefecture, causing severe damage mainly in Kumamoto. The affected areas, already hit by the 2016 Kumamoto earthquake, had to endure even more hardship from this disaster.

As of Aug.1st 2026 (3 days from the quake)	
Death tolls	35
Insured	134 (including 6 seriously injured)
Evacuees	9,374 people in 236 Evacuation centers (or in temporary housing, etc.)
Housing damages	1,448 (of which 179 were completely destroyed)



As of Sep.9th 2026 (6 weeks after the quake)	
Death tolls	38
Insured	409 (including 38 seriously injured)
Evacuees	1,838 people in 39 Evacuation centers (or in temporary housing, etc.)
Housing damages	44,252 (of which 2,249 were completely destroyed)

Data Source : Cabinet Office, Government of Japan HP:
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Damages



Scenes of the disaster / Yatsushiro City, Kumamoto Prefecture / July 29, 2026 © Peace Boat Disaster Relief



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Houses destroyed by the earthquake / Kumamoto



View of a house that collapsed due to the earthquake
Kumamoto Prefecture / July 30, 2026 ©JPF



Road that has caved in / Kumamoto Prefecture / July 30, 2026 ©JPF

Our Activity Timeline



July 28, 2026 The day the earthquake occurred

- Started emergency support and local needs survey by member NGO Peace Winds Japan (PWJ) 

July 29, 2026

- The '2026 Kumamoto Earthquake Victim Support Program' officially got underway.
- JPF staff have also arrived on site.

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10 member NGOs have been carrying out support activities like healthcare, food, water and sanitation, daily necessities, and shelters. JPF monitors and coordinates each project.

	Peace Winds Japan (PWJ) Emergency Aid & On-Site Needs Assessment Initial assessment, rescue and medical operations, and relief supply distribution
Location	Disaster-affected areas within Kumamoto Prefecture
Duration	July 28, 2026 – August 4,
Budget	6,000,000 JPY



A medical team preparing IV fluid sets © Peace Winds Japan

◆Emergency Aid & On-Site Needs Assessment

The medical team at Peace Winds Japan has a lot of experience in disaster areas. While providing life-saving and medical support, they've carried out initial assessments at many disaster sites. They rushed to the scene on the very day of the Kumamoto earthquake this time, too.

NGO Activities : AAR Japan

	AAR Japan Emergency Relief Goods Distribution and Meal Service Support
Location	Kumamoto City, Uto City, Uki City, Hikawa Town, Yatsushiro City, Kashima Town
Duration	August 1–31, 2026
Budget	4,994,295 JPY



Nutritionally Balanced Lunches / Yatsushiro City, Kumamoto Prefecture / August 18, 2026 ©JPF

◆Providing Nutritious, Hot Lunches

AAR Japan, a JPF member NGO, collaborated with the NPO BOND&JUSTICE for three days from August 18 to 20 to provide meal distribution support. Due to the recent surge in prices, vegetables have also become more expensive. Great care was taken to create nutritionally balanced meals within a limited budget.

◆ Preparing Meals Tailored to Each Individual

When providing meals, meticulous adjustments tailored to each individual—such as their specific disabilities, age, and any allergies—are essential. In this food distribution aid project, the cooking wasn't just about delivering meals; it was about preparing food that met each person's specific needs.

NGO Activities : Peace Winds Japan

	Peace Winds Japan (PWJ) Support for Improving Health and Sanitary Conditions, Focusing on People Evacuating at Home in Disaster-Affected Cities and Towns
Location	Yatsushiro City, Uki City, Hikawa Town
Duration	August 16, 2026 – September 15
Budget	10,000,000 JPY



Medical care at the Yayo Community Center / Yatsushiro City, Kumamoto Prefecture / July 31, 2026 © Peace Winds Japan



Bathing support at Hikawa Junior High School / Hikawa Town, Yatsushiro District, Kumamoto Prefecture / August 1, 2026 © Peace Winds Japan

◆Evacuation Center and Living Environment Support

Focusing on Yatsushiro City and Hikawa Town, which suffered major damage, we carried out surveys and evaluations of the shelters, distributed support supplies like drinking water and hygiene items, and worked on improving the shelter environment by setting up cardboard beds and partitions, and providing emergency toilets.



This earthquake happened in the middle of summer, and there were lots of problems like the heat at the evacuation centers. Thanks to your donations, we have been able to carry out activities to save lives. We really appreciate it from the bottom of our hearts