U.S. - Japan Council

Financial Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2011 and Independent Auditors' Report

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors U.S.-Japan Council

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of U.S.-Japan Council (a nonprofit corporation) as of December 31, 2011, and the related statements of activities, cash flows and functional expenses for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of U.S.-Japan Council at December 31, 2011, and the changes in its net assets and cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

March 19, 2012

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2011

See notes to financial statements.

ASSETS _	Notes	-	Unrestricted		Temporarily Restricted	-	Total
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Time certificates of deposit Grants and pledges receivable Receivables, other Prepaid expenses Total current assets	2 2 2	\$	1,006,560 20,256 58,350 490 16,498 1,102,154	\$	721,536 750,000 1,471,536	\$ -	1,728,096 20,256 808,350 490 16,498 2,573,690
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, net of accumulated depreciation	2,3		6,297	-		-	6,297
TOTAL ASSETS		\$	1,108,451	\$	1,471,536	\$	2,579,987
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS							
CURRENT LIABILITIES: Accounts payable Deferred revenue Accrued expenses Accrued vacation Earthquake Relief Fund payable Total current liabilities	2 2,6	\$	5,981 98,634 2,852 21,263 625,000 753,730			\$	5,981 98,634 2,852 21,263 625,000 753,730
COMMITMENTS	5						
NET ASSETS	2,4,6		354,721	\$	1,471,536	-	1,826,257
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		\$	1,108,451	\$	1,471,536	\$	2,579,987

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	Notes	<u>-</u>	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	_	Total
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:						
Support:						
Grant and pledge income	2	\$	33,520		\$	33,520
Earthquake Relief Fund	6		1,916,360	\$ 647,946		2,564,306
Donations	2		440,277			440,277
Revenue:						
Programs			758,416			758,416
TOMODACHI	6			837,187		837,187
Interest income			2,914			2,914
In-kind contributions			22,365			22,365
Net assets released from restriction:						
Restriction satisfied by performance	2		27,753	(27,753)		
Total support and revenue		-	3,201,605	1,457,380	-	4,658,985
FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES (see statement of functional expense):		-			_	
Program services			1,069,847			1,069,847
Earthquake Relief Fund	6		1,916,360			1,916,360
Management and general			73,695			73,695
Fundraising		_	51,586		_	51,586
Total functional expenses		-	3,111,488	0	-	3,111,488
Change in net assets			90,117	1,457,380		1,547,497
NET ASSETS, JANUARY 1, 2011		-	264,604	14,156	_	278,760
NET ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 2011		\$	354,721	\$ 1,471,536	\$	1,826,257
See notes to financial statements.						

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Increase in net assets Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$	1,547,497
Depreciation and amortization Changes in:		2,309
Grants and pledges receivable		(803,850)
Receivable, other		(490)
Prepaid expenses		(9,680)
Deposits		3,300
Accounts payable		(13,089)
Deferred revenue		73,634
Accrued expenses		1,691
Accrued vacations		9,731
Earthquake Relief Fund payable	_	625,000
Net cash provided by operating activities	_	1,436,053
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Increase in time certificates of deposit		(10,077)
Purchase of property and equipment	_	(8,214)
Net cash used in investing activities	_	(18,291)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		1,417,762
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, JANUARY 1, 2011	_	310,334
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, DECEMBER 31, 2011	\$_	1,728,096

See notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2011

1. GENERAL

The U.S.-Japan Council (USJC) is a nonprofit, public benefit corporation incorporated in the state of California in December 2008 to promote people-to-people relations on national and community levels between the United States of America and Japan. The USJC has offices in Washington, DC and Los Angeles, California.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Recognition of donor restrictions - Contributions received are recorded as unrestricted or temporarily restricted support depending on the existence or nature of donor restrictions. The two net asset classes are based solely on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Amounts that are received for future periods or restricted by the donor for specific purposes are reported as temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support that increases these net asset classes. However, if a restriction is fulfilled in the same time period in which the contribution is received, the USJC reports the support as unrestricted.

- a. Permanently restricted net assets result from contributions whose use is limited by donor-imposed stipulations that neither expire by the passage of time nor can be fulfilled or otherwise removed by USJC's actions. USJC currently has no permanently restricted net assets.
- b. Temporarily restricted net assets result from contributions whose use is limited by donor-imposed stipulations that either expire by passage of time or can be fulfilled and removed by actions of USJC pursuant to these stipulations. The net assets may be temporarily restricted for various purposes, such as use in future periods or use for specific purposes. USJC currently has a temporarily restricted net asset balance of \$1,471,536 which includes \$721,536 of cash and cash equivalents (Earthquake Relief Fund and TOMODACHI) and \$750,000 of pledges receivable (TOMODACHI).
- c. In the absence of donor-imposed restrictions, net assets are classified as unrestricted.

Cash and cash equivalents - USJC considers highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. USJC maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which, at times, may exceed the federally insured limits. USJC believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on these cash deposits.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Property and equipment - Property and equipment are stated at cost or, if donated, at the approximate fair value at the date of donation. Depreciation is determined on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Repairs and maintenance are charged as expense when incurred.

Income taxes - The Internal Revenue Service has classified the organization as exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Under the statute of limitations, USJC is open to examination by the Internal Revenue Service for the years ended December 31, 2009 through December 31, 2011.

Deferred revenue - Deferred revenue represents temporarily restricted funds received from grantors and foundations that are received in advance and will benefit subsequent periods.

Functional expenses - USJC allocates its expenses on a functional basis among its various programs and support services. Expenses that can be identified with a specific program and support service are allocated directly according to their natural expenditure classifications. Other expense that are common to several functions are allocated by direct labor costs.

In-kind contributions - The Terasaki Foundation provided the Los Angeles office space to the USJC during the year. Based on fair market value provided by the Terasaki Foundation, approximately \$7,100 of in-kind donations are included in revenues and expenses in the financial statements. In-kind donations also includes donations of other rental space, food and beverages for meetings and receptions.

Use of estimates - Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing its financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported public support revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates and assumptions.

Fair value of financial instruments - The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, accounts payable, and accrued expenses approximate fair value because of the short maturities of these instruments.

3. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

The major classes of property and equipment and the estimated useful lives in computing depreciation are as follows:

	Amount	Lives
Office equipment	\$ 8,848	3 years
Less accumulated depreciation	 2,551	
	\$ 6,297	

Depreciation expense for property and equipment amounted to \$2,309 for the year.

4. RESTRICTIONS ON NET ASSETS

Temporarily restricted net assets are available for the following purposes (see note 6):

Earthquake Relief Fund TOMODACHI	\$ 647,946 823,590
	\$ 1,471,536

5. COMMITMENTS

The USJC has a noncancelable lease for its office facilities which expires May 2014. Rent expense for the year amounted to \$64,249, which includes \$7,142 of donated office space.

The minimum future rental follows:

Year ended December 31,	-	Amount
2012 2013 2014	\$	73,555 75,394 31,737
	\$ _	180,686

6. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Earthquake Relief Fund

The USJC responded to the March 11, 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake by establishing the U.S.-Japan Council Earthquake Relief Fund (EQRF). The USJC Board of Directors (BOD) approved 100 percent distribution of the contributions to support immediate relief efforts and longer term rebuilding in the devastated region of Tohoku, Japan. \$2,564,306 was collected as of December 31, 2011. The BOD approved commitments of \$1,916,360 to qualified Non-Profit Organizations or Non-Governmental Organizations that supported relief and rebuilding efforts. The total distribution as of December 31, 2011 was \$1,291,360, with a balance of \$625,000 payable.

Subsequent contributions of \$9,732 were received by the EQRF in 2012. The remaining balance of the EQRF and any additional contributions received will be designated with BOD approval for distribution by December 31, 2012.

6. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS (Continued)

TOMODACHI

In Fall 2011, the USJC and the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo, with the support of the government of Japan, formed a public-private partnership, TOMODACHI, to aid in the long-term recovery of Japan. TOMODACHI raises funds from U.S. and Japanese donors that will invest in the next generation of Japanese and Americans to strengthen cultural and economic ties, and deepen the friendship between the U.S. and Japan over the long-term. The USJC is administering the TOMODACHI initiative in collaboration with numerous public and private entities. TOMODACHI will be supported by USJC staff in Tokyo and in the U.S.

A Private Benefit Organization (PBO) corporation, U.S.-Japan Council (Japan) was formed in Tokyo, Japan in March 2012. The Japanese organization is a separate legal entity and governed by executive board members independent of the USJC. The Japanese organization will collaborate with USJC in supporting the TOMODACHI initiative.

\$837,187 in contributions was received and \$13,597 was expensed for TOMODACHI as of December 31, 2011. Subsequent commitments of approximately \$5,400,000 have been received in 2012.

U.S.-JAPAN COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

		Pro	ogra	am						
		Se	rvic	es						
				Earthquake		Management				
	_	Programs	. <u>-</u>	Relief Fund		And General	ı	Fundraising	_	Total
Salaries	\$	407,804			\$	49,133	\$	34,393	\$	491,330
Payroll taxes	Ψ.	30,482			~	3,672	_	2,571	Ψ	36,725
Employee benefits		23,223				2,798		1,958		27,979
Programs and events		442,848	\$	1,916,360		_,, 00		.,		2,359,208
Program consultant		15,311								15,311
Depreciation		1,916				231		162		2,309
Fees		13,618				1,641		1,148		16,407
Insurance		5,325				641		449		6,415
Meetings		5,260				634		444		6,338
Office expenses		8,959				1,080		755		10,794
Printing		11,887				1,432		1,003		14,322
Professional services		11,780				1,419		994		14,193
Rent		53,327				6,425		4,497		64,249
Supplies		8,603				1,036		725		10,364
Taxes and licenses		825				99		69		993
Telephone and internet		14,043				1,691		1,184		16,918
Training		3,491				420		294		4,205
Travel	-	11,145	-			1,343	ı	940	_	13,428
TOTAL	\$	1,069,847	\$	1,916,360	\$	73,695	\$	51,586	\$	3,111,488

See notes to financial statements.