



# Annual Report 2016

*Connecting Youth, Caregivers and Professionals Overseas*

# IFCA's Youth & Alumni Projects

## Progress and Impact 2016

### **February 2016**

The Japan Alumni Team had their annual retreat in Tokyo, setting new goals and objectives for the new year.

### **March 2016**

US Board, Advisory Board members and a 2-member US Alumni Team participated in the events held by:

- Fuji Nijinokai in Fuji City, Shizuoka Prefecture; and
- SOS Children's Village Japan, in Fukuoka City, Fukuoka Prefecture.
- In Tokyo, IFCA's 2nd Mental Health Summit was also held during this trip.

(The theme for these events included "Permanency and Foster Youth" and "Mental Health and Foster Youth".)

### **July 2016**

IFCA Alumni Project's Publication, Vol. 4. was published.

# IFCA's Youth & Alumni Projects [Progress Page 2]

## July 2016

- A 6-member Japan Alumni Team traveled to Seattle and was engaged in the following activities:
  - The first **“Child Welfare Learning Collaborative” at University of Washington** (Presentations and panel discussion by IFCA US and Japan Alumni representatives and child welfare professionals. )
  - A round table discussion with California Youth Connection alumni members and presentations by both IFCA and CYC (Worked on the Youth Advocacy Road Map together.) This was an all day event.
  - Small group discussions with a CASA attorney, CASA supervisor, and an alumni representative from the Washington State Commission on Children in Foster Care
  - Tour of the Independent Living Programs at YMCA and court room observation of a case involving an Indian child at the King County Superior Court.
  - A team building overnight retreat and Global Foster Youth Leadership Programs at Camano Island

## August 2016

- A 3-member US Alumni Team members participated in the ISPCAN (International Society for the Prevention of Abuse of Children) Congress in Calgary, Canada with co-presenter, Dr. Amy Salazar, a research scientist with the Social Development Research Group. The theme was “Trauma Informed Care”.

# IFCA's Youth & Alumni Projects [Progress Page 3]

## September 2016

A 6-member US Alumni Team traveled to Japan and was engaged in the following activities:

- The third annual **“Youth Summit” in Tokyo**, sponsored by **TOMODACHI Initiative**.
- The US and Japan Teams had 3 other presentations:
  - “Foster Care Forum in Fuji City-Shizuoka” (Permanency for youth. Dedicated for Mika Sakama. )
  - “Symposium on Youth Organizations in the US and Japan” (What is authentic youth engagement?)
  - “Learning Collaborative with the Tokyo Metropolitan Child and Family Services (TPCFS)”  
The US Alumni Team taught Tokyo CPS workers how youth voice is used for the purpose of youth empowerment and youth advocacy movement.
- A TOMODACHI Initiative Orientation, a lesson on Japanese culture/history and a workshop on global leadership
- 2 site visits including Keimei Gakuen Infant Nursery and Foster Care Facilities.

## November 2016

- Ellna Jones was invited to speak at the TOMODACHI Initiative sponsored event in Northern California.

## November 2016

- Susumu and Chihiro testified before the newly formed Foster Care Committee at the Ministry of Health Labor and Welfare in Japan. A report on behalf of all foster youth and foster care alumni was submitted to the Japanese government.



# 2016 IFCA Youth & Alumni Project Accomplishments

Debriefing after the Child Welfare Learning Collaborative at UW



Collaboration with CYC in Oakland, CA ↑  
← Learning Calligraphy in Fuji-City

# 2017 Programs for Youth and Alumni Project

## US & Japan Teams

- New Member Recruitment
- Overseas programs in March, August and September
- Bilingual Youth Blog Project: Design and structure renewal. New managers and editors. Editors for themes. (Aging Out, LGBTQ Youth, Mental Health, etc.)
- Two issues of “IFCA Youth Project” magazine (Spring and Fall)

## US Team

- Child Welfare Learning Collaborative & Public Awareness Project
- Global Youth Leadership Curriculum → Publishing in both languages in 2018

## Japan Team

- Strategic Sharing Project
- Permanency Pact Project
- Youth Advocacy

# What is Coming in 2017

Continue to collaborate with our global partners. Through presentation, workshop and conversations, educate people about:

- How to use youth voice to improve foster care;
- What permanency and normalcy mean to foster youth;
- Roles of adult supporters.

We would like to invest in activities that are artistic and inspiring.

IFCA's Youth & Alumni Project marks its 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary in March 2018. We will be working on reflecting our past contributions and putting the culmination of our work into one or two books next year.

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International Foster Care Alliance

## IFCAセミナー2016

日米こども家庭福祉の最新事情と  
ユースが語る自立、権利、ライフストーリー

当事者の若者の人生経験に耳を傾けるのは有意義だ。  
今のシステムの良い部分も悪い部分も明らかになる。  
なによりユースボイスによって引き起こされるアクションは、  
たくさんのこどもの人生と世界を幸福にすることかできる。

【主な内容】  
『日米のこども家庭福祉の動向と今後の展望』  
『家族と離れて暮らすこどもとユースのメンタルヘルス』  
『ユースの自立支援、ユース・アドボカシー』  
『日米ユース シンポジウム ～ MY VOICE, OUR STORY』

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ユース 若干名 (東京ユース・チーム、富士ユース)

【日時】  
平成28年3月21日(月・祝)  
10:00～16:30 (9:30 受付開始)

【会場】  
富士市消防防災庁舎 7階 大会議室  
(富士市永田町1丁目100)

【定員】130名 事前申し込み制  
【参加費】無料 参考テキスト代 500円  
【託児】こどもプログラムあり(無料)  
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その他、参加申込等の詳細は裏面をご覧ください

主催:ふじ虹の会 共催:International Foster Care Alliance

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SOS 子どもの村  
JAPAN

TOMO  
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# IFCA's Programs for Caregivers

## Progress and Impact 2016

- In November, from the Mockingbird Society, the executive director, family program director and a youth programs staff (former foster youth) travelled to Japan, and between 11/9 and 11/15, they had:
  - 6 events (11/11 Tokyo, 11/12 Tokyo, 11/13 Mito, 11/14 Kawasaki, 11/15 Tokyo and Osaka)
  - 2 team dinners
  - 7 external meetings and
  - 2 university classroom lectures
- ◎ At the seminar events, we drew more than 260 people that included foster parents, foster parent support specialists, social workers, CPS administrators, community leaders, government officials and researchers.
- We were supported by two grant providers (Nippon Foundation and Japan Oracle) and partnered with a number of outside organizations that include universities, foster parent associations, non-profit organizations and government agencies. We also had one guest speaker and a guest facilitator.
- For our project, we originally received \$20,000 in grant money, spent \$24,000 and collected \$2,000 in cash donations.
- Survey results from all six events were overwhelmingly positive noting the overall quality, organization, content and organization of the 3 main speakers. It was evident that the information that the Mockingbird Society Team provided was extremely timely and relevant to the legal and systems changes that the Japanese child welfare systems and policies are going through.

# IFCA's Programs for Caregivers      Progress and Impact 2016

- There were two national newspaper articles written about our project.
- Currently, as a result of this project in November 2016, the following Japanese groups are interested in pursuing ways to start MFM pilot projects in their areas:
  - Yokohama City\*
  - Kawasaki City\*
  - Chiba City\*
  - Saga Prefecture, Tosu City
  - A foster parent group in Chiba Prefecture

*Cities with the asterisk are “ordinance designed cities”. Their large population size make them eligible for having their own children’s administration in their jurisdictions.*
- IFCA has applied for the Nippon Foundation grant for the fiscal year starting April 2017. The Anne Funds Project will apply for the grant offered by the Morimura Foundation.

# IFCA's Programs for Caregivers

## Progress and Impact 2016

Seminar in Mito



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Cruz



Seminar in Tokyo



Kawasaki City  
Congress



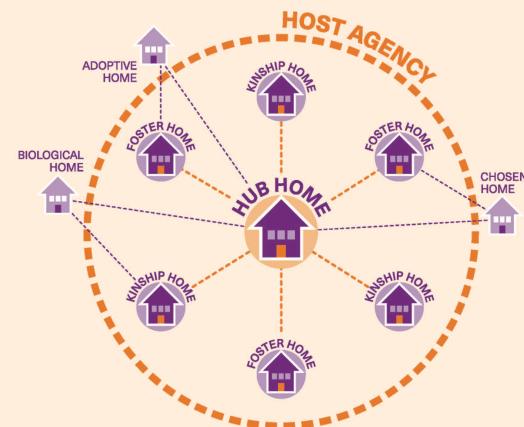
# The Mockingbird Family Model Japan

## New Website and Japanese Language Manual

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ホスト・エージェンシー  
実施のためのハンドブック



# 2017 Plans & Goals   Programs for Caregivers

- In March 2017, we will have the Japanese version of the MFM Manual. (500 copies)
- By the end of March 2017, the following tasks will be completed:
  1. A committee member will be presenting a proposal to implement MFM constellation(s) in front of the Saga Prefectural Office;
  2. Committee members will be re-contacting the government officials at the above mentioned three cities and finding ways to speak with the leaders of the foster parent associations of these areas. Also, the committee members will be reaching out to the Chiba Prefecture foster parent group and an official from the Ministry of Health Labor and Welfare.
- Between November 2017 and March 2018, a Japanese delegation will travel to Seattle to receive 5-day MFM implementation training. Selection of the first pilot project site and the delegation members will be taking place by the summer 2017.



# 2016 Progress in Programs for Child Welfare Professionals

## February

Monica Fitzgerald, Ph. D. [University of Colorado] held a 3-day TF-CBT workshop in Tokyo. 40 clinicians attended this Workshop.



## March

The second Mental Health Forum sponsored by IFCA was held in Tokyo

## April

Shannon Dorsey, Ph. D. [University of Washington] held a 3-day TF-CBT workshop in Tokyo in April. 40 clinicians attended this Workshop.



Monica Fitzgerald and David Hong's on-line consultation continued throughout 2016.

# Collaboration between Youth & Alumni + Professionals in 2016

In November, 3 professionals and 2 foster care alumni held a workshop at the 22<sup>nd</sup> JaSPCAN in Osaka.



## 日本子ども虐待防止学会

第22回学術集会おおさか大会



会期 2016年11月25日(金)・26日(土)  
場所 大阪国際会議場(グランキューブ大阪)

リーガロイヤルホテル隣 JR大阪駅からタクシー約10分  
京阪電中之島線「中之島駅」②番出口すぐ / JR大阪環状線「福島駅」から徒歩約15分

大会長 津崎 哲郎 (特定非営利活動法人児童虐待防止協会 理事長)

3月10日開始  
■応募シンプログラム / 締切 5月31日正午  
■一般演題(口頭発表・ポスター) / パネル展示 / 締切 6月30日正午

参加 7月1日開始  
事前登録 学会HP <http://www.jaspcan.org/>よりお申し込みください。

JaSPCAN  
OSAKA

参加費	1期生(前年度引)	2期生(前年度引)	当日
	2016.7.1~9.30	2016.10.1~10.31	(無料)
学会員	9,000円	10,000円	12,000円
非会員	10,000円	11,000円	13,000円
学 生			3,500円

主催 一般社団法人日本子ども虐待防止学会  
日本子ども虐待防止学会第22回学術集会おおさか大会実行委員会

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# 2017 Plans & Goals

## Programs for Professionals

### February & March

Monica Fitzgerald, Ph. D.

- 3-day TF-CBT Workshop in Saga
- 2-day TF-CBT Workshop in Tokyo (CPS Social Worker)



### April & May

David Hong, Psy. D.

- 2-day Advanced TF-CBT Seminar in Tokyo
- 3-day TF-CBT Workshop in Sapporo

- TF-CBT online consultation sessions by Monica and David will continue throughout 2017.



# IFCA's Partners and Sponsors

## Partnership

- § Fuji Nijinokai
- § SOS Children's Village Japan
- § Kodomo NPO Center Fukuoka
- § Anne Funds Project
- § Japan National Foster Parent Association
- § Chiba Foster Parent Association
- § Japan Society of Child and Family Welfare
- § Japan Women's University
- § Shizuoka University
- § Fukushima Aikuenn
- § FosterClub
- § Mockingbird Society
- § Casey Family Programs
- § Foster Care Alumni of America
- § University of Washington Champions Program
- § Passion to Action
- § Doncel
- § American Professional Society for the Abuse of Children
- § Monica Fitzgerald, Ph. D. - University of Colorado
- § Shannon Dorsey, Ph. D. - University of Washington

## Sponsorship

- § TOMODACHI Initiative
- § Nippon Foundation
- § Japan Foundation – Center for Global Partnership
- § American Bar Association
- § UNICEF
- § Tsunaguinochi Foundation
- § Yomiuri Aitohikari Foundation
- § Macina Mescina
- § KEN
- § ISPCAN/JaSPCAN
- § Futaba Preschool
- § Wada Design Studio
- § Living Dreams

# IFCA's Impact

**2012 → 2015** [US and Japan] **2016**

- Event/Training Participants: **3470 + 900 = 4370**
- Mailing Lists: **560 → 720**
- Partnership with **23** organizations → **28**
- Sponsors: **8 → 14**
- Donors over \$500 **8 → 1**

# 2016 Income and Expenditure

▪ Balance forward from 2015		11,000
▪ Total Income		66,000
▪ Foundation Grants	28,000	
▪ Donations	13,000	
▪ Income from Events, etc.	25,000	
▪ Total Expenditure		69,000
▪ Operation Cost	8,000	
▪ Project Cost	61,000	
▪ Balance Remaining on 12/31/16		8,000

❖ In-Kind Donations



# 2016 was a special year for



*Resilience, Compassion and Friendship*



*Contribution to the Global Child Welfare Community*