

“Popeye no kai (AOS Friendship) ” prospectus

"AOS (Apostleship of the Sea) " is an international, nonprofit and private organisation which principally provides welfare support to workers in the maritime industry especially to seafarers at currently 400 ports around the world including those in Japan such as Tomakomai, Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya and Kobe.

"AOS Tokyo" has worked with maritime-related organisations for the sake of welfare and human rights, and to provide pastoral care to seafarers in the Port of Tokyo and in the ports nearby.

AOS Tokyo has received financial assistance from the Catholic Archdiocese of Tokyo to conduct its activity, however, recently the Tokyo Archdiocese had no choice but to decrease the amount of the financial assistance due to various factors.

We are, therefore, required to make self-help efforts for a stable financial foundation to continue and improve its activity.

For the above reason, we have established an organisation called “Popeye no kai” (in English, it shall be known as “AOS Friendship”) that supports the activity of AOS Tokyo. AOS Friendship financially supports AOS Tokyo and also provides indirect support through awareness raising campaign.

It is also necessary for us to establish a self-sustaining operating structure in the future so that we can continue to support seafarers even if the financial help from the Archdiocese is reduced.

Japan relies on international trade, and more than 90% of import and export cargo around the world is transported by sea.

Seafarers work onboard far away from their families, loved ones and home countries for long periods of time, and we would like to use donations from you carefully in a meaningful way for the benefit of seafarers' welfare such as news and magazines in various languages, Wi-Fi, maps around the Port of Tokyo area, travel expenses for visiting ships, etc.

We would appreciate your understanding and cooperation for our activity.

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