

THE EXPERIENCES OF AN EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI



The earthquake was so powerful that I couldn't stand without leaning against the wall. I wanted to help others but massive vibration wouldn't let me do it.

【male/34 years old】



The ground of the park was cracked and sea water gushed out. I thought that the world ended. It was so scary that I couldn't help but crying.



【female/22 years old】



It was the earthquake I have never experienced before in my life. Tsunami warning siren sounded, and I fled in hurry to the evacuation areas. I just couldn't accept the fact that this disaster occurred as a reality.

【male/62 years old】



The big tsunami which I have not experienced came after the earthquake. The second wave of tsunami was larger than the first wave, and it made Matsushima the miserable situation. I felt so powerless, and only seeing the bay.



【female/40 years old】



There was snow falling after the earthquake, and with no exact information, we were forced to stay outside for several hours at the evacuation areas. It was very cold and freezing. I was very worried with no help.

【male/28years old】



The unending siren hindered me from sleeping on that night. Tsunami attacked Matsushima repeatedly. I felt my life would be in jeopardy all the time.



【female/31years old】



On the next day, I was speechless, seeing Matsushima devastated by Tsunami. My favorite Matsushima was gone, and instead, the shore was filled with mud and debris with nasty smells.

【male/44 years old】



Aftershock continued. The siren of tsunami sounded every time. There was nothing I could do but being patient waiting until the siren stopped.



【female/19 years old】