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To Affiliated Organizations in Each Country

Uchinā Network Concierge (UNC)

Constituent Organizations:

World Youth Uchinanchu Association (WYUA)

Japan Overseas Cooperative Association Okinawa Office (JOCA Okinawa)

**Regarding Request for Nomination of Candidates for the  
2022 Okinawan Emigrants' Descendant & Asian Scholarship Program**

We hope you are all doing well. We realize that each country is going through a tough time due to COVID-19 and we are praying for the quick containment of the pandemic and for the health and happiness of everyone.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation for your continued support of the Okinawan Emigrants' Descendant & Asian Scholarship Program. Okinawa Prefectural Government is currently planning to begin the Okinawan Emigrants' Descendant & Asian Scholarship Program for the 2022 Academic Year in September.

Thus, we would like to ask that you review the application guidelines below and on the attached pages and nominate candidates for the 2022 program.

Notes:

1. The point of contact for the Okinawan Emigrants' Descendant & Asian Scholarship Program is the Uchinā Network Concierge (hereinafter referred to as "UNC"), a joint organization formed by the World Youth Uchinanchu Association (WYUA) and Japan Overseas Cooperative Association Okinawa Office (JOCA Okinawa).
2. The deadline to submit nomination applications for candidates is Thursday, March 17, 2022 (Japan time). Please follow the attached application guidelines and submit application documents to the UNC. We would like to ask that you only nominate candidates who meet all of the eligibility requirements.
  - \*The budget has not yet been finalized, so please begin accepting applications after taking into account the clerical procedures, etc.
  - \*Once the budget has been finalized, we will inform you of the number of participants that will be accepted and the length of the program.
  - \*The recommending organization should select approximately 2 candidates. We will decide the acceptance of applicants after the budget has been finalized.
3. The UNC will conduct an impartial screening of application documents submitted by each organization and accept students after consulting with Okinawa Prefectural Government. Please understand that the candidates nominated by your organization are not guaranteed to be accepted to the program. Furthermore, depending on the situation of the COVID-19 pandemic, the program may be changed or cancelled.

4. Candidates that were nominated for the 2021 academic year program may be re-nominated for the 2022 academic year program. (Copies of documents submitted last year will not be accepted.)

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