



G-net

G-net (Non-profit organization / founded October 2001)

G-net is a Gifu-based NGO that seeks to revitalize the community by empowerment people. Core-program is an innovative internship that connecting young people with local companies. G-net also supports starting-small business by young, women, elder and challenged people.

Our vision is to build a better Gifu-city.

To achieve our objective, we must inspire out creative citizens to share their ideas and join in creating a sustainable plan to improve our city. We want to create a supportive environment that rewards those that help create a better Gifu. We have already obtained support from the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI). Our internship program was a first for rural. There has been mutual cooperation between Universities in Gifu and local-bank to provide valuable internship opportunities. We have also implemented a social enterprise support based program to support the entrepreneurial businesses of the women, senior, and youth communities. Since 2007, we have provided incubation program for the Social Entrepreneurship sponsored by Brother International Corporation. In addition, we have set up seminars and professional workshops for students to provide the opportunities to gain knowledge from real world examples. G-net also reaches out to young people in Tokyo, encouraging them to return to Gifu to work at local organizations.

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I studied at Waseda University's faculty of education and politics in Tokyo. During my studies I started this NGO organization. In 1997 I was awarded first-place in a nationwide debate contest and was honored in my home prefecture. In 2004, he was chosen as the youngest Model Producer by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, which was supporting entrepreneurial human resources training. I gained national media attention and has been featured on TV, in newspapers, and in nationally recognized magazines as one of Japan's leading young social entrepreneurs.

Memberships:

Founding Member, Gifu Academic Society

Member, The Japan Association of Regional Development and Vitalization

Committee Member, Council for Industrial Development, Gifu Prefecture, 2005-2007