

In contributing to the welfare of society, the involvement of Daiwa House goes beyond its endeavors to enhance people's lives by providing superior housing. The Company also disseminates a wealth of information while hosting symposiums and seminars, mainly through Daiwa House Industry's Central Research Laboratory and the Life Research Center. In this way, Daiwa House Group will persist in its conscientious efforts to create the residence of the future, for a life of comfort and culture in harmony with the environment.

Keeping in Touch with the Region's Citizens: Daiwa House Industry's Central Research Laboratory

The Central Research Laboratory, which embodies the research and development efforts of Daiwa House Industry, seeks to be a research facility that is accessible to the citizens of its region by practicing two-way communication. The Laboratory offers a "Museum Floor," which displays the most recent research results, and an

exhibition space that uses scaled-down model houses for demonstrating comfortable home life at one with the environment. Other popular attractions include the "Technolab," which offers experimental scenery and the virtual experience of living in "experimental housing" prototypes. Additionally, symposiums open to the public are being held, in which leading researchers and technical experts

participate and discuss their work.

In the aftermath of the 1995 Hanshin-Awaji earthquake, Daiwa House Industry provided 15,000, or nearly one-third, of the approximately 50,000 temporary prefabricated dwellings made available. These housing units have since been shipped gratis by the Japanese authorities to a number of other countries to accommodate victims of natural disasters. Staff of Daiwa House Industry's Central Research Laboratory were dispatched to these recipient countries to provide technical advice and assist in assembling the units.

Improving Housing, Improving Our Lives — The Living Behavior Research Institute

The Living Behavior Research Institute, whose activities revolve around the topics of housing and living, researches future trends in our ways of life and disseminates its findings in and outside the Company. Outside the Company, the Living Behavior Research Institute selects subjects of particular interest to the general public, and holds regular seminars under the title "Life, Living, and the Home" with active participation from the public. The Living Behavior Research Institute also issues its own periodical, named "Takeoff," which features useful information surrounding topics of daily life. Furthermore, the Company publishes an in-house monthly, "Current," and distributes it to its offices nationwide with the aim of supporting daily operations by presenting useful information from within and outside the Company. Additionally, the "Kitchen Handbook," the "Pet Handbook," and the "Eco Life Handbook" — among yet other publications — present advice and information on cooking and nutrition, pets in the home, and living with the environment, respectively, as a service to the Company's existing and prospective customers.

Wine seminar

Ms. Naoko Kaneko, the youngest woman to pass the sommelier examination, was invited to a wine seminar held by the Company.



Kitchen handbook

This publication proposes ways to manage the kitchen effectively.