



VISION

A stable, peaceful, and prosperous Indo-Pacific.

MISSION

Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA (Sasakawa USA) is a non-partisan 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to deepening the understanding of and strengthening the relationship between the U.S. and Japan for the benefit of a free and open international community. Its activities mainly focus on security and diplomacy, through exchanges, dialogue, analysis, publications, and networking.

SASAKAWA USA PROGRAMMING

Sasakawa USA focuses on 4 areas of programming, *Policy Engagement & Research*, *Grassroots Outreach & Exchange*, *Congressional Outreach*, and the *U.S.-Japan NEXT Alliance Initiative*. Each area of programming consists of various activities, with focus placed on high-level, thought-provoking engagement.

1) Policy Engagement & Research

Policy Engagement & Research centers mainly around security and diplomacy within the context of the U.S.-Japan alliance. Sasakawa USA's publication series, [Commentary & Analysis](#), showcases papers authored by distinguished leaders such as Gen. Shigeru Iwasaki and Dr. Joseph S. Nye, Jr., while the *Pacific Islands and Maritime Domain Awareness Program* aims to make policy recommendations to the U.S. and Japan on MDA and related issues vis-à-vis the Freely Associated States. In addition, Sasakawa USA hosts an annual *Security Forum*, monthly [Policy Briefings](#), and provides monthly analysis on the current political situation in Japan through [Japan Political Pulse](#).

2) Grassroots Outreach & Exchange

Through delegation trips to Japan, networking, and dialogue, Sasakawa USA strives to deepen the understanding of and strengthen the relationship between the U.S. and Japan through distinct grassroots initiatives. In partnership with the Embassy of Japan and the National Association of Japan-America Societies (NAJAS), the [Japan-U.S. Military Program \(JUMP\)](#) connects past and present service members who have served in Japan, and in a vastly different partnership, [Sasakawa USA works with USJETAA](#) to encourage American JET (Japan Exchange and Teaching Program) alumni to deepen and strengthen the U.S.-Japan alliance through high-level dialogue and networking. Additionally, the [Sasakawa USA Emerging Experts Delegation \(SEED\)](#) engages the next generation of U.S. policy experts and thought leaders through a week-long trip to Tokyo to meet with Japanese policymakers and experts who work in their field.

3) Congressional Outreach

Sasakawa USA believes engaging members of Congress in U.S.-Japan alliance issues and exchanges is critical to deepening understanding and strengthening cooperation between the two nations. To that end, Sasakawa USA partners with the U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress (FMC) and the East-West Center Washington in distinct legislative programming. A premier program supported by Sasakawa USA is FMC's *Annual Congressional Member Study Tour*, which takes a delegation of current members of Congress to Japan to meet and connect with top leaders in government, industry, and academia. A private meeting with the Prime Minister is always a highlight of the trip.

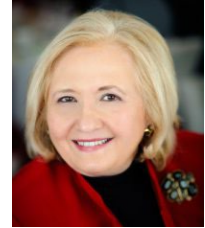
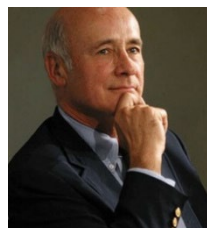
In partnership with the East-West Center of Washington, the *Congressional Program on U.S.-Japan and the Indo-Pacific* engages congressional staff in a certificate program to deepen their understanding of the role of the U.S.-Japan alliance within the Indo-Pacific and beyond.

4) U.S.-Japan NEXT Alliance Initiative

The U.S.-Japan NEXT Alliance Initiative, launched in October 2021, is a forum for bilateral dialogue, networking, and the development of joint recommendations involving a wide range of policy and technical specialists, in and out of government, to stimulate new alliance connections across foreign, security, and technology policy areas. The purpose is to help improve the alliance and how it serves shared interests, preparing it for new challenges.

SASAKAWA USA'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PROJECTS

- Adm. Philip S. Davidson, 25th Commander, United States Indo-Pacific Command
- Dr. Joseph S. Nye, Jr., Harvard University Distinguished Service Professor, Emeritus
- Sec. Randall G. Schriver, Chairman, Project 2049 Institute
- Amb. Kurt Tong, Partner, The Asia Group
- Amb. Melanne Verveer, Director, Georgetown University's Institute for Women, Peace and Security



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PAST SPEAKERS AT SASAKAWA USA EVENTS (INCLUDING JUMP EVENTS)

Hon. Masashi Adachi; Hon. Akira Amari; Dr. Gerald Curtis; Adm. Philip Davidson; Lt. Gen. Wallace "Chip" Gregson; Gen. Koichi Isobe; Min. Yoko Kamikawa; Lt. Gen. Lawrence Nicholson; Dr. Joseph S. Nye, Jr.; Dr. Masami Onoda; Gen. Ryoichi Oriki; Amb. John Roos; Amb. Shinsuke Sugiyama; Hon. Keizo Takemi; Amb. Koji Tomita; Amb. Melanne Verveer; and Adm. Patrick Walsh are among the many distinguished and influential figures who have spoken at Sasakawa USA and JUMP events.

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