

In the late summer of 2013 some tragic stories in the news.

Yvette Pienaar, an expatriate living on the mainland suffering from encephalitis – a disease very familiar to friends of Nathan Furey - passed away in early August. Sean Jones, another expatriate living on the mainland was also suffering from encephalitis and facing an enormous medical bill (40 million won) and was in need of help. Then there was Ahmed, a Syrian who was seeking asylum in Korea, was living in Jeju, and was facing medical expenses that he will have a great deal of difficulty paying for on his own.

Jeju Furey encourages people to follow the example of several others on this island and on the mainland who have taken the initiative and decided to do something to help others out. If a distressing situation or case strikes you as tragic, and you think that something ought to be done about it, then that is your cue to make something happen, to organize an event to raise some money, to personally get involved! Once you have an event in mind, but are still in need of some guidance on how exactly to go about getting it up and running, come and see us. We have a wealth of experience and can offer advice and even some resources that may be useful to a charity event organizer. Just send us a message and ask. Our executive members, all of whom are volunteers, will do their best to help you organize your event for your charitable cause.

Jeju Furey's official policy on donating money to causes outside of its own is that we cannot do so. All the money Jeju Furey has raised is spoken for since it was given and donated for the specific purpose of helping the limited number of families and orphans that we support. This amounts to a covenant that we are obligated to honour. This, however, should not deter anyone from taking action on their own. There is quite a bit of opportunity both on the island and on the mainland to raise funds. Jeju's community has proven time and again that it is both generous and eager to participate and support charitable causes. All that is needed is for someone to take the initiative. Be that initiative!

Fun(d)raising for fun, good times, and a great cause!

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