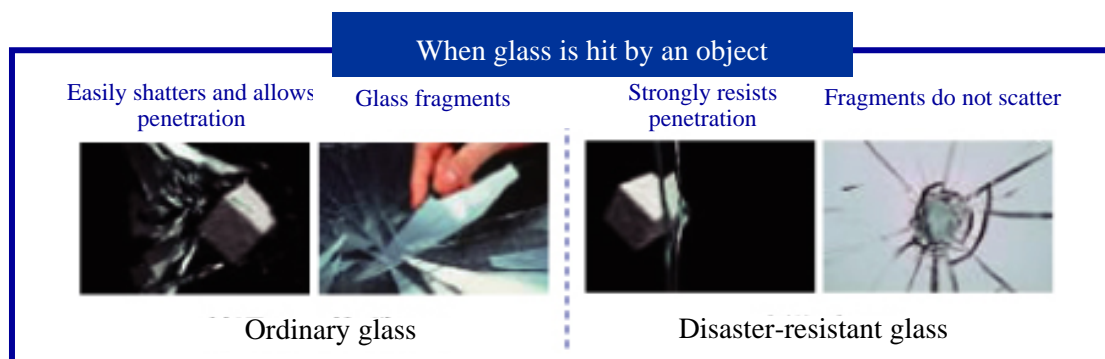


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**AGC to Donate Natural Disaster-Resistant Glass to
 Tornado-Stricken Tsukuba City in Ibaraki Prefecture, Japan**
**—Ensuring safety in evacuation shelters by using glass that does not scatter,
 even when cracked by strong winds—**

Tokyo, May 14, 2013—AGC (Asahi Glass Co., Ltd.; Head Office: Tokyo; President & CEO: Kazuhiko Ishimura) will donate its disaster-resistant glass to Azuma Elementary School in Tsukuba City, Ibaraki Prefecture as part of the effort to support the city, which suffered terrible damage in a tornado in May 2012. A total of approximately 140m² of glass at the school gymnasium, a designated evacuation center, will be replaced with AGC’s disaster-resistant glass.

Disaster-resistant glass is a laminated glass which is designed to hold fragments in place when it breaks. It effectively prevents damage during earthquakes, typhoons or strong winds, protecting children and other evacuees from injuries caused by glass fragments. Once installed at schools and other designated evacuation centers, the glass provides greater safety and security even in the event of a natural disaster.



AGC has been promoting the “Glass Power Campaign” since October 2005, donating disaster-resistant glass with the aim of promoting safety measures at designated evacuation centers across Japan. Tsukuba City is the 34th donee under the campaign.

AGC will continue to work hard to promote disaster-resistant glass that provides safety and security and support local disaster-prevention activities.

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Disaster-resistant glass

The disaster-resistant glass is comprised of two sheets of glass and special film that are thermal compression bonded with each other. With the following advantages, the glass will keep shelters safe even in the event of a natural disaster, such as earthquake or typhoon and prevent secondary damages caused by glass:

- **Does not shatter easily when struck by an object;**
- **Prevents severe injuries caused by broken glass; and**
- **Keeps out rain and wind even if glass is cracked, as the crack does not easily grow into a big hole.**

