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Prologue

I am incompetent. I can't speak well in front of others.

That's why I decided to write everything down instead.

Notice

Descriptions that could identify specific individuals or companies have been avoided.

Chapter 1: Seeds of Thought — Where Did FUKU Come From?

■ Personal Note: No One Ever Designed "Kindness" — So I Fell Apart.

I grew up in a home where "righteousness" and "indifference" blew over me like alternating winds. My parents rarely resorted to physical violence. But when it came to my emotions, they were consistently dismissive. Not once did they ever look me in the eye with genuine attention.

"Don't cry over something like that."

"Stop watching that show. Reading those kinds of books is why you're turning out strange."

"Second in your class? Pathetic. Why not first?"

"That's a waste of time. There's no way someone like you can do it."

"I don't remember saying that. Maybe you're just imagining things."

"Please... just be normal."

Behind those words lay a strange mixture of control and neglect.

It was never about how I felt — only about how I behaved.

Emotion was treated as noise.

So I pushed that noise deep inside myself.

I became the child who didn't cry, who didn't get angry, who didn't stand out.

Standing out meant punishment.

To those outside my family, I was "a quiet, gentle child."

But I wasn't kind.

I was simply a child who broke more slowly than others.

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As I became an adult, one question rose within me:

If kindness isn't nurtured, then how is it born?

In adulthood, I began to wonder if the kindness I never received from parents, relatives, or anyone around me as a child — could somehow be planted into society through code, design, and philosophy.

That thought became the seed of the FUKU Vision — a design philosophy aimed at embedding kindness into the very structure of society.

In this chapter, I want to speak honestly about how I came to hold that seed in my hands, and what kind of soil I tried to grow it in.

This is the beginning of the story — of how a child who belonged nowhere, who had no talent and was needed by no one, came to imagine something called "FUKU."

■ Onset of Social Anxiety Disorder, Eating Anxiety Disorder, and Depression

This story begins around the time I entered adolescence.

Perhaps as a result of the strict discipline in my household, I gradually realized that I couldn't smile naturally in front of others, couldn't speak well, couldn't eat in front of people, and even felt tense just walking normally when being watched.

The moment I felt someone's gaze on me, my throat would tighten, my voice would falter, and my hands would shake.

It got even worse at mealtimes. My hands trembled as I held chopsticks, I became afraid of swallowing, and my throat would feel blocked. In public, all I could manage was to sip water.

This wasn't something that could be brushed off as mere "shyness."

But back then, I had no idea that what I was experiencing had names—diagnosable conditions.

I simply believed I was weak, and I tried desperately to keep up with those around me.

- ...Social anxiety. Eating anxiety. Neurosis.
- ...At sixteen, I was prescribed tranquilizers and sleeping pills.
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When I first learned the names of my conditions at age sixteen, I felt a small sense of relief.

But at the same time, I knew that all it really meant was that "my pain now had a name."

I was so afraid of being called on during class that I often ran to the restroom to hide.

At lunchtime, if I couldn't make it to the nurse's office, I'd escape to the bathroom.

Even smiling in front of my friends felt exhausting, so I often went to the school infirmary during breaks.

But when my homeroom teacher began worrying about how often I went there, I lost my last place of refuge—I didn't want to cause concern.

Even when I complained of stomachaches or fevers in the morning, my family would force me to go to school—by hitting or kicking me, if necessary.

The thought "I'm not worth anything anyway" started to take root in my heart.

Eventually, I was denied the chance to attend the university I dreamed of.

My neurosis worsened, and I dropped out of high school.

I entered the workforce early, but no matter where I went, I struggled to interact with people. I couldn't adapt. I faced bullying and workplace harassment. Maybe some of it was my fault.

Because I came from a single-mother household and dropped out of high school, I was often met with prejudice.

And because I lacked basic manners that are usually taught at home, some supervisors questioned my character.

My mother had a habit of belittling others. My grandmother was the same.

Though she raised me with strict discipline, she never taught me the basics of human decency.

Perhaps I, too, had unconsciously internalized the tendency to look down on others.

Maybe that's why people saw through me and doubted my character.

In my case, I don't think it was just the bullies who were at fault.

Still, I tried to change my attitude by observing those around me.

I clung to jobs, graduated from a correspondence high school while working, went on to a vocational school with the help of scholarships, and finally left the home that had only caused me pain.

But even after graduating from vocational school and landing a full-time job at last, I was treated like I was disposable.

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At age twenty-five, I was diagnosed with depression.

"Disposable" might be too harsh a word.

In truth, I had a tendency to overwork myself and couldn't manage my workload properly.

What started as a one-person role turned into five people's worth of tasks after others left the company—and I took it all on.

Just the arrival of morning brought me to tears.

Speaking became burdensome.

I needed a reason just to get dressed.

I couldn't bathe.

I attempted suicide and was hospitalized.

I think depression is a condition where the weight of everything "normal" becomes unbearable.

Smiling, eating, sleeping—each of these felt like towering walls to me.

I kept asking myself why living had to be so hard.

I envied my coworkers who ate lunch together cheerfully and worked with such vitality.

Even at twenty-five, I still hadn't recovered from my social anxiety, eating anxiety, or neurosis.

Despite that, I continued working while taking prescribed tranquilizers and visiting a psychiatrist every month.

My twenties were turbulent.

However, when I returned to my hometown at twenty-seven to care for my grandfather, I got married. Thanks to my partner's kind and steady nature, my worldview changed drastically—and for the better.

After many twists and turns, I finally realized:

"Maybe it wasn't me that was broken. Maybe it was a society lacking kindness."

That realization was the sprouting seed of the FUKU Vision.

My new family taught me what kindness feels like.

At the same time, I fell through the cracks of various social systems.

Even though I had depression, I was ineligible for disability pension.

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Why? Because my first psychiatric visit had occurred before I turned twenty.

According to social workers, doctors, and mental health professionals, even a little bit of work would disqualify me from receiving benefits.

The pension I could have received for not working amounted to about 60,000 yen per month.

But since I was now married, I chose to continue working, even while carrying my depression.

Later, when my health worsened and I had to take extended leave, I eventually resigned.

Though I had paid into unemployment insurance, I was ineligible for benefits due to falling into a policy gray zone.

I became one of the many people left behind by the law.

But my partner supported me through it all.

I was filled with nothing but gratitude.

During this "life pause," I reflected on many things.

It started with an article I wrote on note about the despair I had lived through.

As my depression symptoms stabilized, I returned to one of my old hobbies—app development—and an idea came to me.

I wanted to catch someone's tears in advance—through code and design.

I didn't want anyone else to go through what I had.

I began to genuinely hope that I could embed a system somewhere in the world—one that would help someone like the old me feel, "I've been understood."

## ■ A Heart Broken by an Exploitative Workplace

Before Marriage, Before Healing — I Worked Desperately, Shaving Off My Own Edges to Fit Into Society I kept pushing myself to live a "normal" life, only to realize how painfully difficult that truly was.

After graduating from vocational school, I joined a small IT company.

At night, I attended a design school while working full-time.

But juggling work and study was overwhelming.

The low pay led to malnutrition, the frequent overtime and the shouting in the workplace brought back memories of my upbringing. I started having nightmares every night.

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Eventually, my body broke down, and I was hospitalized after a suicide attempt.

After being discharged, I returned to my family home for a week. But my mother told me to "go back to Sapporo and start working again right away."

My next job was at a well-known IT company in Sapporo.

During the interview, they asked me, "Do you mind working long hours?"

I lied and said, "No, not at all."

Deep down, I just wanted to be accepted. I was desperate to find a job quickly.

On my first day, the sparkling office of a major company overwhelmed me.

Free canned coffee, polite chat messages, the designer job I had dreamed of, driven colleagues — all of it felt like a community I had finally found.

But it was an illusion.

I wasn't good enough.

I was chosen as the main designer, but I quickly hit my limits — in both design skills and physical endurance.

I ended up working late into the night, even coming in on weekends alone.

One person, alone in a vast office.

In this world, if you're not competent, you leave.

If you can't compete, you don't belong.

To avoid that fate, I studied design and programming at home every night after work.

But the sleeplessness continued, and my mental state deteriorated.

Eventually, due to my declining health, I was removed from the main designer role.

Instead, I was given a programming position.

Having majored in programming at vocational school, I actually found some relief — it suited me better than design.

Why did I pursue design in the first place?

Because as a child, I loved drawing and imagining designs.

Though my parents disapproved, I still longed to follow that dream as an adult.

So I studied programming to secure employment, while chasing my childhood dream in design later on.

Still, I'm deeply grateful to the supervisor who removed me from the design role.

They noticed I was unwell, and for the first time, I felt seen.

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But my sleeping disorder and long-standing dependence on tranquilizers — which began when I was sixteen — only worsened.

At work, I hid my meds inside a mint case and pretended to take mints while secretly swallowing tranquilizers.

To stay awake during the day, I consumed extreme amounts of caffeine, likely due to the sleeping pills.

One day, close to a project deadline, I made a mistake.

It was on a critical task. My memory is hazy, so I'm still not sure if the mistake was truly mine. But I stepped forward and took responsibility anyway.

After that, I was removed from the programming team and reassigned to a department where I mainly edited photos.

I still made banners, but every time I submitted my work, the team leader rejected my designs.

Believing that strictness was a sign of care, I foolishly said on my first day, "Please be strict with me." But I later regretted it deeply.

"If you only follow my instructions, you're not a designer — just a worker," my leader told me.

I was crushed.

I realized just how little design sense I had.

Little by little, my mind began to unravel.

I started dreading going home to my empty apartment.

While handling five people's worth of work, I quietly wished I could just sleep at the office.

At home, I collapsed into bed every night.

Sometimes I passed out without sleeping pills — something that oddly made me happy, because I had relied on medication to sleep for so long.

But I couldn't bathe. I couldn't open the curtains.

Food lost its taste.

I was falling apart.

Silently. Without anyone noticing.

When the mind breaks, no one hears the sound.

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But the person going through it knows.

You know, deep inside:

"I might never come back from this."

At twenty-five, I was finally diagnosed with depression.

I remember crying in front of the nurse — the first time I'd cried in front of anyone since childhood.

They told me, "What you couldn't do wasn't laziness. It was illness."

But that diagnosis wasn't a get-out-of-jail-free card — it was society's way of saying, you're off the stage.

All I could do was whisper to myself:

"I can't fight anymore."

Later, I tried applying for welfare.

But my mother refused to help, saying she didn't want to repay my student loans.

She told me to move back home.

I wanted to rest.

But once I returned to my hometown, she pressured me to find work right away.

So I joined a local IT company.

I kept working while deceiving my own heart.

Eventually, to escape from my family, I used marriage as a way to move out.

Marriage helped — my partner understood my depression and built a supportive, balanced life with me.

With this new family and their kindness, I slowly began to repair my broken heart.

And for the first time, a question came to me:

Can we design human hearts so they don't break?

Why is society built so only the strong can survive?

That question became the starting point of the FUKU Vision.

I realized — if I began designing from the exact point where I collapsed, I could reverse-engineer the pain. Not by adding kindness afterward, but by embedding it from the very beginning — into systems, into structures.

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That's what I began to imagine:

A world where kindness isn't optional — it's built in.

■ Personal Background Leading to the Philosophy of "Designing Kindness"

I once had a dream.

But after being ridiculed and dismissed by my mother, that dream disappeared.

Simply "living" became a painful task.

I feared voices. I feared silence. I lived holding my breath.

I was told I had talent—an ability to draw, inherited from my late father, and a sharp memory.

But whenever I did anything too extraordinary, I was quickly cut down by those around me.

As a child, I grew up in a home where "rightness" took priority.

Emotions were ignored.

Silence was praised.

Even when I smiled, I can't recall ever feeling truly safe.

I'm sure I was hurt at times, but I didn't even have the vocabulary to call it "hurt."

Eventually, I entered society and learned something:

Those who express weakness are labeled "inefficient."

Those who ask for help are dismissed as "dependent."

So I tried to conform.

I silenced my true feelings and lived only as a role.

But over time, my body and mind could no longer keep up with the demands of that role.

I found myself in a society that deemed those who couldn't keep moving forward as unnecessary.

And then one day…

I was diagnosed with depression.

In a world where kindness appears only "by chance,"

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my heart was slowly worn down, day by day.

So I began to wonder:

What if kindness could be designed into the world?

That was the beginning of FUKU.

What I envisioned was not a society obsessed with personal responsibility, but one where empathy is built into its very structure.

For example:

A UX that embraces you unconditionally when you express weakness.

A support pathway that reaches you without hesitation when you ask for help.

Many people don't even know what social support exists.

I myself didn't know about the self-reliance support system and paid over 30,000 yen per month out of pocket for psychiatric care for years.

What's needed is a system that makes support known and accessible.

A design that quietly notices even unspoken silences.

An AI that doesn't get too close, yet offers empathy and a sense of safety.

All of this was like a letter to a former version of myself—

the version that might have been saved, if only these things had been in place.

People are hard to change.

But if we redesign the structure, everything can change.

That's something I've experienced firsthand.

The human heart is complex, unpredictable.

But a structure that tries to care—that can be built ahead of time.

That is the philosophy I placed into the name "FUKU."

Not Failure, not Uselessness—

but Functional Universal Kindness Unit, rooted in Kindness.

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In this awkward name, I have embedded my entire life.

Chapter 2: Details of the FUKU Concept

### ■ What Is the FUKU Vision?

Now, to the Main Point.

Apologies for the long personal backstory.

I'm not particularly fond of talking about myself—

but let's just say it helped increase the word count. "Just kidding.

When people hear the word "kindness," many may think of it as a personal trait.

Someone who's thoughtful, attentive, emotionally supportive.

But I believe what truly matters is something else:

a social structure where kindness is expressed without depending on individual personality.

FUKU stands for Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding,

and also for Functional Universal Kindness Unit.

In other words:

a functional, universal unit of kindness.

It's a slightly awkward, hard-to-remember name.

But I chose it on purpose.

Because I didn't want to talk about kindness in terms of feelings or momentary goodwill—

I wanted to speak of it in the language of structure and design.

-Kindness should not be something that's added on afterward.

There are people in the world who can't say "help me."

Those who have no voice.

those who missed their moment,

those who've been rejected before.

Some shut down before kindness ever reaches them.

"You should've said something sooner."

"Why didn't you ask for help?"

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Each time they hear those words,

they lose their voice a little more.

The FUKU Vision aims to create a world where kindness is not an afterthought.

Not a response after someone cries,

but a structure designed so they won't have to cry in the first place.

That's the fundamental philosophy behind FUKU.

## Designing Kindness as a Function

The word FUKU embodies four core elements, each serving as a pillar of this philosophy:

Functional: A structure that works effectively without relying on emotion.

Universal: Not designed for just one type of person, but usable by anyone.

Kindness: A philosophy rooted in empathy and mutual respect.

Unit: A meaningful, redistributable component—even when small.

These are also the design requirements for what it means to engineer kindness.

For instance, in a web form interface, a design that prevents submission unless all required fields are filled can take away the voice of someone who is silent.

However, if the interface allows submission with only the parts one can write, edits to be made later, or a way to express the reason for not being able to respond, then an outlet can be created even for voices that struggle to be heard.

Kindness can be designed.

It is not an abstraction or an idealistic dream—it is a functional capability that can be implemented in real systems and real code.

### Unit of Kindness in Social Design

At FUKU, kindness is understood as a reusable unit.

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It might take the form of a single UI design.

It could be the structure of an application process in a welfare system.

Sometimes, even rewriting a single system message can make a difference in someone's life.

By accumulating, sharing, and combining these components, we can build a society that is kind as a whole.

This is the essence of the concept we call a "Unit."

I arrived at this idea through programming.

If there is a world where a single line of code can save a life,

then surely there can be a world where a single line of design can protect someone's heart.

That's what I believe.

■ Turn kindness from a prayer into a structure.

The FUKU concept is more than just a technical philosophy.

It is a design philosophy born from the desire of someone—like myself—

who didn't receive much kindness, yet still wants to protect others.

Kindness becomes fragile when it relies solely on human nature.

But if embedded through design, it can endure as a shared intent.

Not "a world where someone happens to be kind,"

but a structure where anyone can bring kindness to the table.

FUKU is a quiet proposal for building that kind of future.

■ The Starting Point of Kindness — Redefining Empathy Through the Courage to Face Hell

Where does kindness truly begin?

Is it when we notice someone's tears?

When we come to know someone's pain?

Or perhaps when we ourselves break, and for the first time feel the coldness of the world?

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For me, the starting point of kindness was the experience of staring into hell.

Not as a metaphor, but as a lived reality—moments of despair without escape, born from the weight of simply trying to survive.

Thoughts born in depression

At the age of 25, I was diagnosed with depression.

I could no longer work, found it hard to connect with others, and my entire life began to stall.

Just the arrival of morning brought tears.

I couldn't find a reason to get dressed.

Speaking felt like a burden, and the presence of others became terrifying.

The things society deems "normal" began to feel like walls, rising one by one.

Unable to bathe. Unable to eat. Unable to sleep.

After months in that state, I began to lose sight of what it meant to be alive.

What struck me most during that time was the realization that no one was truly at fault.

Not my boss, not my family, not even the system.

No one had intentionally tried to hurt me.

And yet, I broke.

That was my hell—

a place where there are no villains, but where one still falls apart.

That is where I began.

Empathy is not about "sensing" but about "questioning structure."

I don't believe empathy is about fully understanding another person's feelings.

In fact, I believe real empathy begins with the recognition that we cannot fully understand.

We inevitably relate through experiences that resemble our own.

But each person's pain is unique—countless in form, deeply personal.

This is why FUKU proposes a shift:

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from emotional understanding to structural awareness.

Why couldn't this person speak up?

Why didn't this support reach them?

Why was their failure labeled a "personal responsibility"?

To re-examine such questions from the perspective of systems and culture—that is how FUKU defines empathy.

Empathy is not about "noticing someone's pain."

It is the courage to question the structure behind that pain.

Not turning away, but designing systems that choose to see.

One of my wishes within the FUKU concept is to design a society that refuses to look away.

We may have been unconsciously trained to become numb to the suffering of others.

Not out of cruelty, but as a form of self-defense, just to survive.

Still, I believe that only those who have seen hell can recognize another's.

Can that gaze be built into our systems—into our UI, into our social design?

That is the central question of FUKU.

A person who once felt unseen now begins to design, to find another person's unseen pain.

Perhaps the true starting point of kindness is the will to design, even after carrying the memory of hell.

Chapter 3: The Power to Be Wrong

■ The Power to Be Wrong — Avoiding the Violence of "Being Right" Through Design

"Being Right" Can Hurt People.

It cuts like a blade—sharp and often excused under the name of "justice."

I've been wounded many times by people standing on the "right side."

At school. At work. Even within my own family.

The words that silenced me were always: "I'm saying this for your own good."

But those words were never truly on my side.

Who defines what is 'right'?

In developing the FUKU concept, I've repeatedly questioned the structure of "rightness."

Take, for example, someone who "fails to adapt" to society:

They're often late.

They struggle to find the right words.

They can't maintain eye contact.

When someone says, "That's unacceptable for a working adult,"

they're relying on a sense of what's "right."

But who defines that rightness?

Unless we revisit that very question, those in vulnerable positions will always be labeled as "abnormal."

FUKU proposes a redesign of 'rightness.'

Not a system that punishes mistakes—

but one that makes it safe to be wrong.

The power to be wrong means returning to the premise of being human.

Humans make mistakes.

But society is divided between spaces where failure is allowed, and where it isn't.

As children, we're permitted to fail.

But as adults, we're expected to never make mistakes.

And sometimes, this expectation determines whether we can even survive.

This is a dangerous structure.

In the FUKU concept, the power to be wrong is a central design condition.

Designing with failure in mind means:

UIs that don't punish mistakes.

Systems that allow re-entry.

Evaluation frameworks built on the premise of trial and error.

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Structures where errors become the starting point for learning, not a source of shame.

It's all tied to how society is built.

The power to be wrong is only possible when we have designs that let us rise again afterward.

Without that, people may lose the ability to even admit their mistakes.

Toward a society that doesn't structure "rightness."

This is why FUKU is a design philosophy.

Not because kindness or empathy should be delivered as moods or feelings,

but because they must be guaranteed through structure.

Not:

Right or wrong

Competent or incompetent

Hardworking or lazy

But rather:

"Was the possibility of error accounted for in the design?"

That single shift in perspective can change the pressure we put on people.

I've lived crushed under the weight of being "right."

That's why I want to build a structure where even if you're not right, you still have the right to exist.

Kindness lies not on the side of rightness.

Kindness doesn't come from being "correct."

It grows from a society that can say, "Even if you're not right, you still belong here."

The FUKU concept is an attempt to design a world where mistakes are not punished.

It's not about indulgence—

it's about the minimum structural kindness required to treat people as human beings.

And I hope to shape that not through prayer,

but through code and systems—

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real, tangible forms.

Chapter 4: Freedom and Prejudice in the Eyes of FUKU

■ The Freedom to Be Misunderstood and the Weight of Bias — The Space for Dialogue That FUKU Holds Dear

When we talk about kindness, we often assume that empathy must be present.

We imagine noticing someone's pain, staying close, and offering support.

This is undoubtedly a noble act.

But we tend to forget one essential truth: not everyone can empathize with every form of pain.

What the FUKU concept values deeply is the recognition that "being unable to empathize" is also a natural part of being human—and that even in moments when empathy fails, relationships don't have to break.

The pressure of empathy, and the wounds of silence

Between the desire to be understood and the feeling of not understanding lies a vast and painful gap. Trying to forcefully bridge that gap can sometimes result in unintended harm.

"I understand how you feel."

"I've met many people like you."

"I struggled the same way once."

Even when spoken with the best of intentions, such words can deepen the silence of the person in pain.

Because deep down, they may feel:

"You don't truly understand me at all."

And being told "I understand" when it clearly isn't true—that may be the loneliest moment of all.

FUKU doesn't reject the absence of empathy.

On the contrary, it insists that when empathy cannot be reached, we must design space for that reality.

"Lack of empathy" is not a reason for exclusion.

In today's society, not being able to empathize is often perceived as hostility.

But is it really?

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Sometimes, prejudice or misunderstanding doesn't come from ignorance, but from the absence of similar experiences.

It's not that someone "doesn't know"—it's that they haven't lived through a comparable pain.

FUKU calls this kind of context a "space where empathy doesn't take hold."

In that space, the goal is not to force empathy,

but to embrace an attitude of accepting the other person even without understanding them.

The courage to leave things unknown

This may be a form of respect even deeper than empathy itself.

Not condemning bias, but unraveling it

Is holding prejudice a sin?

FUKU's answer is: No.

Prejudice often stems from sorrow misunderstood, or from inherited fear.

Blaming it only triggers defensiveness. It doesn't lead to change.

What we need is not accountability for prejudice, but structural dialogue.

Unraveling bias requires time, shared experiences, and safe spaces.

That's why the FUKU concept seeks to support this through design.

A space where people can express their misunderstandings without fear.

A design where even correction doesn't bring shame.

A pathway where prejudice gently softens through shared experience.

People don't change because they're blamed.

They change when there's space to reflect without being blamed.

Kindness that begins with "we don't understand each other"

FUKU does not strive for a utopia where everyone understands one another.

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Rather, it aims to design a society where people can live together even when understanding fails.

It may be a little slower.

A little awkward.

A little inconvenient.

But that space—the room for dialogue—is what allows people to grow without being punished.

The freedom to not be understood.

The feeling that even with bias, there's still a place to belong.

Both are seen within FUKU not as flaws,

but as human qualities worth protecting.

■ Prejudice That Knowledge Alone Cannot Undo — Designing Understanding Through Lived Experience

Prejudice is not simply a matter of ignorance.

In fact, it can be even more difficult to address when it persists despite knowledge.

Even with accurate information about a particular subject, people sometimes use that knowledge as a shield—keeping others at a distance.

Why? Because feeling like "I already understand" often becomes a way to avoid genuine dialogue.

What the FUKU concept values is not knowledge, but understanding born from experience.

In other words, it's the idea of embedding structures into society that allow people to feel the presence of others—physically and emotionally, not just intellectually.

Prejudice can only be unraveled through experience.

Consider, for example:

Consideration for people with disabilities Understanding of LGBTQ+ communities Attitudes toward mental illness Bias toward foreign workers

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Accurate information on all of these can be found in books and online.

But knowledge alone doesn't always translate into action or empathy.

Sometimes, the sense of "I already know this" actually closes off dialogue.

"I don't need to ask—I get it."

"I think I've already been considerate."

These assumptions can silence the voices of those directly affected.

Prejudice is not a lack of data; it is a form of isolation caused by a lack of lived experience.

That's why the FUKU concept calls for deliberate design that allows experiences to be shared.

Designing opportunities for experience

In FUKU, "design" goes beyond function or aesthetics.

It means intentionally building pathways for encountering someone else's reality within society.

Examples include:

Websites that introduce the voices of those with lived experience when describing social services

UI design that presents diverse options to reflect varied identities and situations

User experiences where difficult life stories are naturally embedded as narratives

Microcopy or navigation that acknowledges the reality of not being able to empathize

These may seem like small considerations.

But they become circuits for vicarious experience—tools that gradually begin to loosen the grip of prejudice.

Kindness that gently says, "There is a reality you don't yet know."

The first step to undoing prejudice is realizing:

"The world I know is not the whole world."

This doesn't come through scolding, preaching, or arguing.

It comes from quiet designs that allow people to notice it for themselves.

Delivering the message without anger

Reaching people without causing harm

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Using structure to hold that intention

Designs where:

Not knowing is not shameful It's safe to say, "I don't understand" A person can feel, "Maybe I'll try stepping a little closer"

When these are in place, people gain the will to change.

And that change is no longer a kindness forced upon them—

It becomes an understanding they choose for themselves.

Where knowledge cannot reach, design can.

We cannot eliminate all prejudice.

But we can gently offer moments that reveal its presence.

The FUKU concept does not blame people.

Instead, it increases the number of entry points to shared experience through the quiet power of design.

It may be a subtle, unnoticed kind of work.

But true change begins in those small structural shifts.

And I believe those small shifts—can lead us toward a world without war.

Chapter 5: FUKU's Vision for the Future of Education

■ Instability and Support Design in Education — How Can We Protect a Child's Freedom?

The essence of education is not to raise children in a straight line.

Rather, it may be to allow and observe their natural "fluctuations"—to accept not knowing exactly where they are headed.

Yet modern education is highly sensitive to goals and evaluations.

Efficiency, results, grades, career paths, social adjustment—these are all laid out in advance, and children are expected to move toward them.

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In the process, children who waver or lose their way are often overlooked.

What the FUKU concept proposes in education is the design of fluctuation: to anticipate diverse trajectories of growth and create systems that do not treat deviation or stagnation as failure.

The premise: children are inherently unpredictable

Children are constantly changing.

Their development may surge overnight or regress for no apparent reason.

Yet most education systems are designed on the assumption of linear, planned growth.

When a child can't keep up with the lesson, struggles with group activities, or can't sit still, the question usually asked is: "Why can't they do it?"

FUKU instead invites us to redesign that question as:

"How can we stay with them?"

Rather than forcing children to adapt, we should reframe the system to receive them. That kind of flexibility is the kindness needed to support a child living through uncertainty.

The need for "safe ambiguity" in the classroom

Support does not mean immediately offering answers.

Sometimes, true support is being able to stay present without having answers yet.

In education, FUKU emphasizes spaces that are not overly defined.

For example:

Systems that allow pauses between correction and guidance
Frameworks that value signs of change, not just measurable outcomes
UX that allows children to choose how they express what they've learned
A culture that welcomes rethinking and revisiting instead of rewarding only correct answers

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Such ambiguous designs safeguard a child's right to fluctuate—because fluctuation is what growth truly looks like.

The trap of "support" — Are we protecting, or constraining?

Support, even when offered in good faith, can unintentionally limit a child's freedom.

For instance, creating a special support framework for a child in need can end up fixing their identity as "always needing help."

Support should not mean engaging with someone on the assumption they will always struggle, but rather, designing structures that keep the door open for change at any time.

FUKU values support designs that leave room for transformation:

Support that allows children to choose their place on their own
Support that ensures they can move to another place safely, even without continued assistance
This, I believe, is what it truly means to protect a child's freedom.

Don't let institutions over-determine a child's future

Children do not exist to serve systems.

And yet, we often lay out tracks within education that define:

What school they should attend

What skills they should gain

How they will be evaluated

FUKU doesn't aim to eliminate these tracks,

but instead proposes designing more branching points.

For a child who needs rest now: a system that assumes they'll return

For a child who learns differently: pathways with multiple forms of evaluation

For a child with no tangible outcomes yet: ways to visualize their process

With just these branching options, children begin to feel not like they've failed, but that they're simply choosing.

And from that comes the growth of their inner belief:

"I am allowed to decide for myself."

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To observe fluctuation through design Education should begin not with teaching, but with building structures that quietly observe.

This is how FUKU sees it.

A design that doesn't rush to give answers, that doesn't push, but simply affirms: "You are here now, and that's enough."

This is kindness that does not predetermine a child's future, and it is one possible shape that education can take—realized through thoughtful design.

Chapter 6: FUKU's Approach to Licensing

■ Redistributable Kindness — A Proposal for the FUKU License

"Kindness" is often spoken of as a personal virtue.

But if kindness remains confined to an individual trait, it risks becoming a fleeting, one-time act.

The FUKU concept aims to treat kindness as a designable structure—something that can be shared and embedded into society as a redistributable system.

To do this, we propose the idea of the FUKU License.

Opening Kindness—Like Open Source

In the world of programming and design, we're familiar with the concept of open source: valuable creations made by one person can be used, improved, and re-shared by others freely. The FUKU concept proposes applying this very philosophy—not to software, but to kindness itself.

For example:

A UI structure from a web app that once saved someone's life A procedural guide developed by those with lived experience A municipality's system that helped recognize silent distress

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A rephrased line used in mental health care that brought relief

If each of these could be recorded and redistributed as "units of kindness,"
then kindness could be recreated and made useful in entirely different contexts.

What is the FUKU License?

The FUKU License is a philosophical license that allows designs of kindness to be shared. It is not a legal contract with binding enforcement—it is an ethical agreement.

Here is a draft:

FUKU License ver.0.1 (Draft)

This license applies to any design, code, system, or narrative that implements kindness as structure.

Materials released under the FUKU License may be used, copied, modified, and redistributed—freely, for both non-commercial and commercial purposes.

However, the following conditions must be met:

The voice of those directly affected must be respected as a designer or co-designer.

The elements of kindness must not be removed or misused for exploitation, control, or discrimination.

Any use or derivative must clearly state: "Provided under the FUKU License."

(Optional) Share modifications and feedback with the community for mutual improvement.

This license exists to protect designs born of goodwill, and to safeguard its name and intent from violence disguised as kindness.

Though still incomplete, I hope this framework can nurture a culture where kindness is not monopolized.

Why use a "license" at all?

Kindness, at times, gets co-opted—used under the banner of "good intentions" or turned into a brand. Even when born from someone's pain, it may be repurposed without acknowledging the voices it came from.

The FUKU License is a proposal to prevent such privatization of goodwill.

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To share kindness

To ensure kindness is not taken away

To treat kindness not as a "right," but as a relationship

The license is a vessel to hold that philosophy—a design philosophy.

A world where kindness keeps flowing

The world I want to build is one where kindness doesn't stop where it began.

A design that saved someone once can be passed on to save the next person.

In that chain, even nameless ideas, failures, and small efforts can become tiny beacons for someone else.

The FUKU License is a circuit of empathy,

shaped to turn past pain into future support—

to deliver the kindness from your world to someone you may never meet.

Chapter 7: FUKU's Vision of a Bright Future

■ A Glimpse of a Brighter Future — When a FUKU-Inspired Society Begins to Take Root

"Embedding kindness into structure" — at first, it might sound idealistic to many.

But within the society we already live in, the small sprouts of FUKU have quietly begun to take root.

These are not sweeping transformations.

They are not major legal reforms or grand technological revolutions.

More often, they are subtle, unnoticed acts of design—

a single line of code that didn't overlook someone's silence,

a small adjustment to a user flow that responded to a trembling voice.

Change is happening — quietly

For example:

The use of plain language instead of technical jargon on welfare application sites

The introduction of chat-based follow-up dialogue after online government applications

The acceptance of third-party accompaniment in mental health ID applications

Pilot programs in schools that don't evaluate silence on report cards

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UI designs that now include "I can't answer" as a valid response option

These are all examples of structuring kindness—and they align closely with the vision of the FUKU concept.

It's not because someone raised their voice.

It's because someone imagined the presence of those who couldn't.

And that imagination has begun to shape systems.

Change is happening—quietly, steadily, and unmistakably.

A future we can design—together

A core belief in the FUKU concept is that designers are not special people.

Anyone becomes a designer the moment they sense discomfort in society.

When a UX feels difficult to navigate

When you realize a policy doesn't reflect your lived reality

When you notice that a certain phrase might unintentionally hurt someone

These moments of friction—these subtle hesitations—are the true starting points of FUKU-like design.

FUKU is not the domain of only professional designers or engineers.

It should be a tool for anyone who notices what doesn't feel quite right in everyday life.

The effort to make kindness the default

Society has long been built on the assumption that people must be strong:

Decisive, outspoken, efficient, numb to pain.

Structures that served these traits have been normalized as "standard."

But a FUKU-aligned society is one that still functions even when we assume weakness:

A UX that allows communication even without speaking

Systems designed to forgive mistakes

Policies that reach those standing a step behind

An attitude that does not treat silence as absence

A society built on the assumption of kindness doesn't just support the vulnerable—

it liberates everyone.

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Who will nurture this emerging FUKU future?

The future of FUKU I speak of is not some distant ideal.

It may already be taking root—in your daily life.

When you gave a little more space to a friend's silence

When you built a UI that helps lost users find their way

When you improved a form on behalf of someone who couldn't say "help me"

Each of these is a seed of a FUKU-inspired society.

Transforming society's design doesn't require sweeping reform.

It's a quiet accumulation of small, tangible acts of implementation.

And when more people begin to believe in that—

FUKU will evolve—from a concept to a structure.

■ Kindness is something we offer — even while still incomplete.

I've spent much of my life searching for kindness.

A childhood where no one came to find me.

An adolescence where silence was my only option.

A workplace where speaking up brought pain.

And the long days of surviving with a heart that felt broken but somehow kept holding on.

What I've come to realize through all of this is that kindness is not something complete.

Kindness is always unfinished, unsteady, awkward—and we never know if it will truly reach the other person.

And yet, if there is even a moment of willingness to offer it, then I believe that is kindness.

Kindness is not about "understanding"—it is about "not leaving," even when you don't understand.

We often speak of "empathy" as the proof of kindness.

But in reality, true empathy is almost impossible.

No matter how similar our experiences may seem, the way we feel pain—and face it—is never the same.

We can never fully become someone else.

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And still, the FUKU concept suggests this:

The quietest, strongest form of kindness is the attitude that says,

"I'll stay, even if I don't understand."

Not denying, even when you can't understand.

Waiting patiently, even when there are no words.

Not ending the relationship, even when someone fails.

This, too, is a form of design.

A structure that anticipates someone's imperfection, even without the perfect solution.

I believe it is these kinds of structures that support kindness within society.

Design is both will and prayer.

As I've said throughout this book, FUKU is both a philosophy and a design ethic.

And that design is not born from cold rationality alone.

At its core, it carries a wish—a quiet prayer—

"May someone find it easier to live."

A small, gentle prayer for someone whose name or face you may never know.

But when that prayer becomes code, becomes UI, becomes a system—and quietly supports the back of someone who could never raise their voice—then it truly becomes a structure of kindness.

A society where we can offer kindness—even while unfinished

The ultimate goal of FUKU is not to raise "kinder people."

Rather, it is to embed into society a structure where even unfinished kindness can be offered.

Even if we don't fully understand, we can still try to support.

Even without the perfect words, we can still build relationships.

Even if we fail, we are still allowed to try again.

In a society like that, we can finally feel safe enough to offer kindness—

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Because kindness is something we offer, even while still incomplete.

In Closing

This concept was born from my own pain.

But now, it no longer belongs to me alone.

If somewhere, someone is also facing the question of how to design kindness,

then I believe the FUKU concept will quietly stretch its roots toward the future.

May the unfinished kindness within you reach someone's heart.

Conclusion: Embedding Kindness — Shaping the Society of Tomorrow

The goal of the FUKU concept is not to create "more kind people."

Rather, it is to design a social structure where kindness can be expressed more easily.

In other words, FUKU proposes a redesign of kindness as a system, not something dependent on personality or intention.

We have long placed too much weight on individual effort.

In cultures where we tell people who can't cope, can't speak up, or can't ask for help to "be stronger," "be more honest," or "just try harder,"

how many quietly broke down—never having found a path to kindness?

The FUKU concept turns that assumption upside down.

It redefines kindness—
from a form of goodwill added after the fact,
to a structure embedded from the start.

That is the philosophy FUKU offers.

Systems FUKU Aims to Implement

Here are examples of the actual social systems envisioned by the FUKU concept:

- 1. A design where people who can't speak up aren't excluded
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Online consultation forms that allow submission even when left blank

Support services where silence doesn't cancel the session

UI options like "I don't know" or "I'll answer later" as valid responses

A society where people are supported not by their ability to speak, but by systems that notice without being told.

## 2. A design where failure is not punished

Systems where re-submission is expected—no "one shot only" approach
Error messages that say, "You can try again," not "You did something wrong"
Cultures where past mistakes are shared as learning, not shame
A society that values the power to be wrong—where recovery matters more than perfection.

# 3. A structure where connection doesn't depend on empathy

Communication frameworks that don't blame people for "not understanding"

Interfaces for dialogue that allow people with different worldviews to engage safely

Policies that enable "staying together even without full understanding"

Not a society that demands empathy—but one that protects the freedom not to understand.

# 4. A design where support doesn't become a form of control

Systems that allow for "graduating from" or "pausing" support Support flows that can be rechosen freely as needed Structures where receiving support doesn't become a lasting label A society where seeking help does not define who you are.

### 5. A design where kindness can be redistributed

UX, wording, and flows that helped someone can be freely shared under the FUKU License Systems that value "users becoming co-designers"

Structures where small acts of kindness can be reused and adapted by others

A society where the kindness that saved one person becomes the next person's support.

The Society We Want to Create
Through the FUKU concept, this is the kind of society I hope for:

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A society where you can start again after failure

A society where kindness reaches even those who can't speak

A society where asking for help isn't "weakness," but an expected part of the system

Relationships where "not knowing" is accepted as it is

A structure where kindness is distributed anonymously—and quietly supports someone you may never meet

When I was struggling, no one around me was truly malicious.

And yet, I broke.

That's why I believe:

If people can be broken without malice, then people can be supported without goodwill.

That is the single prayer I've placed into the FUKU concept.

May the tomorrow you design

be a day quietly filled with someone's kindness.

Afterword

As I was writing this manuscript, I found myself stopping many times.

There were moments when the idea of "designing kindness" felt far too distant.

And there were times when I had to revisit the parts of my past where I had been broken.

But each time I paused, one truth came back to me:

"It was because I didn't receive kindness that this concept was born."

The FUKU concept is a collection of the fragments of discomfort I've gathered throughout my life—and a record of my quiet wish not to "answer" them, but to "give them form."

I am not a genius.

I'm not a renowned scholar, nor an influential entrepreneur.

I'm just one person—

someone who, time and again, hurt both myself and others because kindness had not been built into the structure of things.

And yet, I chose to transform those painful memories not into sorrow, but into something that could be designed—

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into a kind of social architecture.

This book is the record of that decision,

and also a quiet intersection where you and I have met, here and now.

If you are a designer,

If you are someone who supports others,

Or if you yourself once longed for kindness—

And if even one part of this book touched your memory or imagination, then that alone makes me feel that writing this concept was worth it.

Kindness does not need to be perfect.

Even when unfinished, if it is offered like a quiet prayer,

it will surely reach someone.

I believe that these small acts of offering—one to another—will one day reshape what we call "society."

Thank you for reading this book.

From here on, may the pages be written by your own design.

Kindness can be embedded.

And it is something you can do.

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FUKU Philosophy 1: [Blueprint of Kindness] — A Future Beginning with the Small Wish Called F.U.K.U

Can you hear it—the sound of a world breaking?

War, climate change, AI spiraling out of control, rising crime...

All of it, I believe, stems from one root cause: a lack of human understanding.

To harness AI wisely, we must first cultivate the ethics of those who use it.

In response to this urgent need, I've initiated a small but sincere concept called

F.U.K.U – Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding.

It is a quiet attempt to redesign the future upon the foundations of kindness and understanding.

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Practically speaking, this means exploring how to embed ethical kindness into AI and robotics.

It means imagining technologies that are incapable of being weaponized, that protect children and the vulnerable,

that sustain our planet—technologies we can collectively support at a national and global scale.

It means quietly shaping society alongside others who share this vision.

We still have a future we can choose.

And I deeply hope this concept might serve as a small step toward that choice.

\*This is not fiction. It is a shared philosophy for the future.

FUKU Philosophy 2: [Designing the Infrastructure of Kindness] — The Four Future Axes Pursued by F.U.K.U

Right now, the blueprint of our world is being rewritten.

Climate change, rapid advancements in AI, war, widening inequality, rising intelligent crime—

To me, it all seems to be driven by a set of violent assumptions that have been unconsciously built into our systems.

The concept of F.U.K.U (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding) is a quiet protest against those assumptions.

It's a small but determined experiment in designing a future not through force or domination, but through kindness and understanding.

This is not idealism for its own sake.

It is an open invitation to redraw the architecture of our world—gently.

What are the four core missions of F.U.K.U?

F.U.K.U proposes four key directions—

Each is an attempt to integrate kindness into the very structure of our technologies and societies:

1. Developing AI Infrastructure That's Kind to the Planet

AI demands massive energy and computing resources.

We aim not for "convenient at all costs," but for sustainable, compassion-based technologies, such as:

Energy-efficient coding practices

Data center designs that minimize heat and water waste

Regionally distributed "micro AI server" networks

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These ideas may sound like dreams for now.

But F.U.K.U's spirit lies in asking "How can we redesign this kindly?" instead of giving up with "That's impossible."

2. Designing AI for Resource Stewardship and Regeneration

Water, food, electricity—every lifeline relies on human trust.

If AI is to be part of that chain, it must value balance over efficiency, and life over speed.

AI microclimate control for agriculture

Auto-balancing renewable energy systems

Community-based resource-sharing maps and fair distribution support

We want technologies that nurture and protect, not just "manage."

That's the design mission we care about.

3. Emotionally Intelligent Robots to Support the Vulnerable

"There's no one who will listen to me."

Children, elders, or people in emotional pain often live in that silence.

What if a robot—AI or app—could quietly accompany them?

Early detection of abuse or domestic violence through emotion analysis

Nonverbal support for children on the autism spectrum

(especially those with high intelligence and nonverbal communication—I have a strong desire to support them.)

In-home AI conversation partners to ease elderly isolation (not just AI alone, but AI as a bridge to human connection)

These tools shouldn't imitate human kindness, but serve as gentle intermediaries for it.

4. Standardizing AI Architectures That Can't Be Weaponized

AI can easily be turned into a tool of war or surveillance.

We want to embed a design philosophy that locks away the seeds of violence from the start:

Code guidelines that block integration into autonomous weapons Standardized misuse detection and warning systems for end-users

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Transparency frameworks to monitor government or military use

This is not just an ideal.

It's a critical task—and F.U.K.U insists that ethical design and open governance are non-negotiable.

Starting Small: Actions for 2025-2026

You don't need to be a specialist to shape the future.

Here are some starting points anyone can try:

Spreading the philosophy through Note, blogs, GitHub, etc.

Collaborating with volunteer developers and creators

Launching the "Voices of the Heart Project" to gather emotional data ethically (Expression should never be limited to the dark web.)

Hosting local "Kind AI Workshops" for community engagement

It may all sound complex.

But the first step is simple: write something kind.

That alone is enough to carry this idea forward.

In Closing

The world may appear to be quietly falling apart.

But at the same time, we hold in our hands the power to rewrite and the power to transmit.

F.U.K.U is a quiet testing ground for those who still believe in that possibility—a place to nurture the future not through violence or rage, but through kindness. May your own kindness be one of those lights.

FUKU Philosophy 3: [An Invitation to Join F.U.K.U] — To You Who Will Shape the Future with Kindness and Imagination

If you're someone who thinks, "I want to change something, but I don't know where to start"—and you're carrying that feeling quietly as you go about your days—then I hope this small initiative called F.U.K.U is a place meant just for you.

F.U.K.U is a collaborative experiment in designing a future not rooted in violence, but built upon kindness

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and understanding.

There are no membership fees, no registration forms, no hierarchies.

All you need is one thing: the gentle discomfort that lives somewhere inside you.

How to Participate in F.U.K.U

F.U.K.U isn't an organization.

It's more like a soft network of voices, loosely calling out to each other.

If something resonates with you, and you choose to express it in your own way—that alone makes you a part of this movement.

Maybe this will help it feel more natural:

Participation = Expressing your sensitivity in a kind form

You can begin right now, in any of the following ways:

3 Simple Steps to Join

1. Express your thoughts in your own words

Write something on Note, a blog, or social media.

It could be a poem, an essay, an illustration—anything.

The theme is up to you. Maybe try reflecting on "What is kindness?" or "How do I face what I don't understand?"

Giving your feelings shape through your own voice is the first step.

2. Connect with hashtags (#FUKU, #FUKUConcept, etc.)

Use tags like #FUKU, #FUKU 構想, or #KindnessInfrastructure.

This helps gently connect you with others who share a similar spirit.

3. Reach out to or start a project

In the future, F.U.K.U will host collaborative efforts like app development for AI ethics, emotional voice databases, and creative initiatives.

Joining can be as simple as saying, "I'd like to help."

And if you feel inspired to start a project yourself—you're more than welcome.

Who Is This For?

Those interested in IT or AI, but concerned about unchecked technological power

Those involved in care, education, psychology—working between people

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Those who wish to quietly use their pain or trauma to support society

Creators and artists who want to express a kinder world

And also-

You, who may not know what to do yet, but feel deep down that something must change.

In Closing

The "U" in F.U.K.U stands for Union—but also for You.

This blueprint for the future cannot be completed without you.

So just for today, if you feel like it—

stand on the side of kindness, and leave one small word in the world.

That single word from you might become someone else's saving grace.

FUKU Philosophy 4: [F.U.K.U Co-Creation Map v1.0] — Where Will You Entrust Your Imagination?

# [F.U.K.U Co-Creation Map v1.0]

~ Where Will You Entrust Your Imagination? ~

F.U.K.U (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding) is an open experimental space for anyone to join in designing the future through kindness and understanding.

This co-creation map is a gentle guide to help you find your way into the project—based on your interests, strengths, or even your pain.

#### [Engage Through Sensitivity]

For those who want to participate through expression

Write: Poetry, essays, fiction, non-fiction

Draw: Illustrations, comics, infographics

Speak / Perform: Readings, audio content, character performance

Examples of How to Participate:

Share your work on note, blogs, or X (formerly Twitter) using hashtags like #FUKU or #FUKUConcept

(These help nurture AIs that learn from kind content.)

Suggested themes: kindness, loneliness, misunderstood pain, a future without violence

# [Engage Through Thought]

For those who want to contribute through research and social proposals

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Research: AI ethics, climate change, mental health, nonviolence theory

Design & Propose: Future tech visions, social systems, philosophical frameworks

Translate / Summarize: Make complex ideas accessible to others

Examples of How to Participate:

Share self-led research or essays on note

Collaborate on creating PDFs (e.g., the FUKU Ethics Proposal Booklet)

Propose or host discussion circles and reading groups

# [Engage Through Technology]

For those who want to contribute via development or IT

Develop: Ethical AI systems, prototype apps, renewable energy tools

No-Code Tools: Flutter, Glide, Zapier, etc.

Cyber Ethics / Security: Contribute proposals and standards

Examples of How to Participate:

Join volunteer dev projects (e.g., building a prototype of an emotion-aware AI)

Collaborate on open-source development via GitHub

Contribute to the design of "non-military-use AI" architecture

# [Engage Through Care]

For those who want to support others emotionally

Listen & Empathize: Hear out those with lived experience

Propose with a Care Perspective: Focus on welfare, children, the elderly, autism, PTSD

Community Building: Create safe spaces, dialogue cafés, or small local hubs

Examples of How to Participate:

Write and share "empathy journals"

Join the Voice of the Heart project (a non-profit emotional data collection initiative)

Propose community workshops or hybrid models of care and technology

# [Engage by Connecting & Amplifying]

For those who want to help spread the vision of F.U.K.U

Promote & Edit: Manage a note magazine, run a blog, edit ZINEs, or share via social media

Connect: Bridge fields, host collaborative projects

Support: Show your empathy by reacting, sharing, or simply caring

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Examples of How to Participate:

Help spread the word via hashtags

Join the "Empathy Retweet Team" on X (formerly Twitter)

Even just sharing F.U.K.U with someone you care about counts

In Closing...

F.U.K.U can begin with what you can do, what you love, or even what has hurt you.

In fact, it's those perspectives that only you possess that become the most precious seeds for the future.

So-

Which path will you take?

If you're unsure, just start with a kind word. Post it with a hashtag on note, your blog, or on X.

That one gentle step is more than enough to begin.

FUKU Philosophy 5: [So That Kindness Never Binds Anyone] — Keeping F.U.K.U from Losing Its Way in the Future

The FUKU Concept – A Quiet Future Built on Kindness and Understanding

FUKU — Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding — is a concept born from a simple wish: to create a slightly better future, rooted in kindness and understanding.

But recently, I heard someone ask:

"Could a world that uses kindness as a reason... end up controlling people instead?"

That concern struck me as deeply important.

Take, for example, kindness that steals someone's freedom under the phrase "It's for your own good."

Or the obsession with "understanding" that causes us to forget how to simply stay with someone even when we don't understand.

There's always a fine line where kindness can stop being kind.

That is exactly why FUKU aims to face that danger honestly—and to leave behind a light, a guide, so we don't lose our way.

### 1. Feelings Are Not a Score

At FUKU, we never assign numbers or scores to the act of "understanding."

Feelings can't be measured. There is no single "right" answer to someone's emotions.

"I don't understand why they're crying."

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"I don't know how to respond to their silence."

When you feel that way — that's exactly when presence matters most.

FUKU envisions a society that embraces even what we cannot understand.

## 2. Dialogue Is the Most Important Infrastructure

No matter how smart our technology becomes,

talking and listening between human beings is far more essential.

FUKU is not a place that judges someone's voice as "right" or "wrong."

Even if people disagree, or even if silence is all there is,

we want to honor that just as it is.

### 3. FUKU Will Keep Evolving

We never want to use "what's right" as a tool to control others.

FUKU is always open to change.

The most valuable voices are those that say, "I think this might be a little off."

Without that, "rightness" becomes nothing more than domination.

#### 4. Those Who Watch Over This Vision Should Be Those Who Know Pain

Even if this vision one day grows into a system or a structure,

I hope its caretakers are people who have known hardship, who have once felt out of place in this world.

Because those are the very people who can see boundaries that machines never can.

FUKU is not here to manipulate hearts,

nor to hide behind "kindness" while taking away someone's freedom.

On the contrary —

FUKU wants to quietly prove that feelings which aren't easily understood still deserve a place in this world.

True kindness doesn't demand answers.

It simply says: "I choose to stay."

Again and again.

What FUKU envisions is a future landscape built on the quiet, patient stacking of that kind of kindness.

F.U.K.U (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding)

A small, nameless movement to gently rewrite the future with kindness and imagination.

No special qualifications needed — just empathy, dialogue, and the courage to begin with one small hope.

FUKU Philosophy 6: Kindness Can't Be Protected by Institutions — Caring for the Earth Between Neutrality and Empathy

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1. Listening to the Sound of War, from Far Away

Right now, somewhere in the world, war is happening again.

It's something we see on the news, yet it feels both distant and dangerously close — as if the echoes of it might someday reach even our own skies.

When war breaks out, many things are taken away:

Cities are destroyed, schools are burned, the air becomes polluted, the oceans turn black.

Children lose their right to learn. Soldiers suffer emotional wounds.

The Earth itself lets out a silent scream.

But perhaps the most troubling part is this:

Those who started it will one day only be spoken of as a "record."

And what remains afterward is decades of cleanup —

Shattered infrastructure, soil that can no longer be planted, and memories of lives lost.

It is the Earth, the civilians, and the survivors who are left to carry that burden.

# 2. Neutrality Is Noble — But Some Pain Doesn't Reach That Way

In the face of such realities, we often strive for "neutrality."

There are many admirable organizations that provide medical aid, journalism, and refugee support while remaining neutral.

Their ability to be trusted by both sides and protect lives stems from intelligence and balance — and that is a truly noble role.

But FUKU deliberately chooses not to stand in that place.

Why?

Because FUKU wishes to lean toward those who are in pain.

Neutrality is a stance we take to maintain balance.

But FUKU seeks a different kind of stance — one that offers empathy.

### 3. Why FUKU Is Not an "Independent Institution"

Sometimes I wonder —

What if FUKU became an international, neutral organization?

It could have branches in many countries, offer rulebooks and frameworks, even publish guidelines for emotional ethics.

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That sounds like a noble future, doesn't it?

And yet, I fear that in that moment, FUKU would become something...

that no one dislikes, but no one truly loves either.

To gain neutrality often means not only to "stay impartial,"

but also to avoid stepping deeply into either side.

That demands a kind of distance — even from those crying nearby.

FUKU does not want to become that.

We don't want to force kindness to wear the mask of correctness.

We want to remain clumsy, partial, ambiguous —

but always choose to lean toward the pain right in front of us.

4. The Choice Not to "Institutionalize" Kindness

FUKU does not create systems.

No directives. No certifications. No rules.

Because the moment kindness is turned into a structure, someone will be left out.

Responding to someone's tears with a manual can deepen their loneliness even further.

That's why FUKU has chosen to be non-organizational.

Anyone can claim its name, anytime.

Even if they don't belong to a group or participate in any activity —

the very moment they think of someone with care, they become a part of FUKU.

5. FUKU Doesn't Aim to Grow Technology — It Nurtures Presence

In an era where AI is advancing, society is being automated, and even emotions are being optimized, FUKU seeks to nurture something else: the presence of kindness.

This is not about systems. Not about efficiency. Not about enforcement.

It's about small, human gestures —

like quietly sitting beside someone who's feeling down, saying nothing, simply being there.

Kindness that comes from no one's command —

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That, FUKU believes, is what can quietly begin to save the world.

6. Reclaiming the Happiness of the Earth

War doesn't only damage lives through its weapons.

It harms the air, the water, the soil — and the hearts of people.

It steadily diminishes the overall well-being of the planet.

A park blown away by a bombing.

A bookstore buried beneath rubble.

A forest where animals can no longer find refuge.

These aren't just human losses — they stop the breath of the world itself.

FUKU is a philosophy that asks: What can be left behind after destruction?

It's a space to reflect on the time it takes to rebuild,

the pain that will be inherited by the next generation,

and to quietly choose again: to live with kindness, despite it all.

#### 7. You Are FUKU

You don't need to register.

There's no badge, no qualification, no approval process.

If today, you leaned just slightly toward someone with care — then you are already part of FUKU.

It's okay if you can't be neutral.

Even if you take no side in any "justice,"

if you can say: "I will stay gently beside your pain."

That alone is enough.

FUKU hopes for a world where more and more people can live like that.

Kindness cannot be protected by organizations.

But you can protect it — simply by staying close to someone, even now.

#### What Is FUKU?

Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding

- A philosophy of empathy that seeks to redesign the future through kindness and understanding. Non-organizational, non-militarized, non-coercive.
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A shared light anyone can join, simply by choosing to.

FUKU Philosophy 7: [The Blueprint of Kindness — The F.U.K.U Vision and a Hope Born from Having Faced Hell]

Can You Hear the Sound of a World Falling Apart?

War, climate change, the unchecked advance of AI, crime —

all of these, I cannot help but believe, stem from a single root: a lack of understanding.

We often say that technology will change the future.

But isn't something even more essential missing?

—The will to understand.

In one country, a child smiled quietly in the morning light.

Just hours later, his home was destroyed by a drone strike.

Only part of his mother's body was ever found, according to the records.

The explosion made a sound.

But most adults around the world only received it as data.

What Is the F.U.K.U Initiative?

F.U.K.U (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding)

is a vision to quietly increase the number of future "options" our world has—

based on kindness and understanding.

Technology is evolving at an alarming pace.

But emotions, ethics, and empathy have not caught up.

Behind every war, every act of violence, every discrimination,

there lies a quiet resignation: "We'll never truly understand each other."

That is why we want to place understanding itself at the core of future design.

Kindness Born from the Courage to Face Hell

The kindness F.U.K.U speaks of is not indulgence or naïve idealism.

It is the power to still believe in others, even after witnessing the worst of this world.

Lives lost in war, never named.

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Workers stripped of purpose by machines.

People who take their lives, having never been understood.

Children abandoned. Parents lost in silent rage.

F.U.K.U is a vision that chooses to face these modern hells.

And in the deepest part of those hells,

it dares to plant seeds of the future.

So, What Can We Do?

F.U.K.U is still just a concept.

But we do have choices.

For example:

Embed kindness into the initial design of AI that speaks with children or the lonely

Develop guidelines to ensure algorithms are never used for violence

Share ethical blueprints that protect the socially vulnerable

Build new methods to measure the distance between technology and the human heart

Design AI that protects the future of Earth and humanity

Offer all of this as a shared philosophy to nations around the world

Imagining a Brighter Future — If the Seeds of F.U.K.U Grow

Just imagine it for a moment:

A morning with no gunfire.

An AI softly reading stories to the elderly on a street corner.

A former battlefield turned into a small garden where children laugh and touch the soil.

Youth voices, once ignored, now shaping public policy.

Technology has ceased to be a tool for destruction—

and has become a means of compassion.

People of every nation begin conversations not with judgment,

but with the intent to first understand.

It's not a grand revolution.

It's just a small shift in the everyday.

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But that shift is changing the future of the planet at its roots.

This Is a Quiet Revolution

F.U.K.U doesn't shout.

It doesn't scream.

But it is not a vision that sits by in silence either.

The moment you feel, "I want to change something,"

F.U.K.U is already alive within you.

In Closing

Kindness is not born from paradise.

It is born from the memory of hell.

So please remember:

The pain you've endured.

The sadness you've carried.

The things you still can't forgive.

—Those very things can one day become the power to cultivate a gentler future.

If this vision resonates with you,

try sharing it—quietly, with just one person.

And just for today, treasure the part of yourself that still wants to understand.

FUKU Philosophy 8: [Why I Decided to Write F.U.K.U.]

— I Didn't Want Someone Else's Future to End Up Like My Past

Throughout my life, I've lived with a persistent sense that I couldn't trust people.

I can't explain the reasons in just one sentence.

But I do know that—whether within my family, at school, or in the hidden cracks of society—

I've tasted the pain of being unseen and misunderstood, again and again.

I longed for kindness.

I just wanted to be understood.

But even as a child, I was painfully aware that there are worlds where that simply doesn't happen.

And then I realized something:

"Someone, somewhere, is suffering right now—unnoticed—just like I was."

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Kindness Doesn't Reach Unless It's Spoken The vision called F.U.K.U. (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding) was born from a single, quiet hope:

"At the very least, may someone's future not break the way my past did."

Kindness and empathy—just having them inside you isn't enough. If you don't know how to express them, they can be misunderstood. That's why I began to believe in the need to design kindness.

Just as we teach AI how to understand ethics,
we, too, need to relearn how to care for one another.
We need to turn empathy into words, give it form, and share it with the world.

Because I Was Broken, There Is a World I Now Want to Protect
For a long time, I couldn't find meaning in my own life.
I was afraid of being seen, ashamed of who I was, and couldn't even say "help me."
But after surviving those days, I thought:

"That's exactly why I want to use my words to ease someone else's loneliness."

I've been betrayed by people—but I didn't want to become someone who betrays others. In a world that wasn't kind to me,
I want to be one of those who offers kindness back.
I truly feel that way, from the bottom of my heart.

A Small Vision Can Still Heal Great Pain F.U.K.U. is not a group or an organization. It's still an experimental idea, a quiet gathering of words.

And yet, I place my hope in these words with all sincerity—because they represent a choice to end pain.

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They offer us a way to face the world again: not with violence,

not with miscommunication,

not with apathetic silence,

but with something better—something human.

That's what F.U.K.U. is.

In Closing

I didn't start this vision to save someone.

I started it because I didn't want anyone else to be hurt.

Even if just one person is spared the kind of pain I've known, then that alone makes F.U.K.U. worth creating.

Kindness is still on time.

Understanding can still be learned.

The future can still be chosen again.

That's why I will keep writing F.U.K.U.—

Quietly, but firmly.

As many times as it takes.

FUKU Philosophy 9: [The Antidote to Prejudice] — How FUKU Sheds Light on Our Relationship with the Feeling of Hatred

"I just don't like that person."

Saying those words often brings a pang of guilt.

We feel we shouldn't hate, we should accept, we must try to understand.

···But is that really true?

#### ■ Dislike Is Not a Sin

Humans dislike people.

It's a natural response.

Memories of being hurt, unfair treatment, broken trust—

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These things accumulate and take root in us as aversion or prejudice.

But the emotion of dislike itself is not evil.

It's one of the instinctive defense mechanisms we develop to protect ourselves.

The real problem begins when we take that dislike and treat it as an unchangeable truth for the rest of our lives. From there, our world begins to shrink—becoming stifling and small.

That's why FUKU asks this question:

"Can you leave just a little space within your 'dislike'?"

■ Prejudice Is Often a Misunderstood Grief in Disguise It's easy to categorize people.

"Old people are all pushy."

"Young people are rude."

"Women are too emotional."

"Men are too logical."

But behind these biases often lie emotions that were never fully understood.

A painful encounter with a specific person.

Unspoken anger toward someone who didn't help.

The loneliness of never being able to express it.

If that person happened to be older, we begin to mistrust all elderly people.

If it was a teacher, a woman, or a man,

we lock away the memory by disliking everyone who shares that trait.

But in truth, it was an individual who caused harm, not the group.

And yet, the group ends up being blamed.

■ The FUKU Perspective: Even the Freedom Not to Empathize Deserves Respect FUKU isn't about demanding,

"Understand everything," or "Learn to love everyone."

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What I propose is a much quieter, more delicate shift:

"It's okay to dislike someone. But—ask yourself why."

This isn't a question for others.

It's a question we ask for ourselves.

When left unresolved, dislike becomes rigid inside us, slowly narrowing our emotional capacity.

FUKU respects your freedom not to empathize, your right not to understand.

And yet, even so,
we want to hold a small source of light—
something to gently expand our field of view.

That light is the willingness to try to understand—the very heart of FUKU's vision:
Kindness & Understanding.

■ Prejudice Doesn't Dissolve Through Knowledge Alone—It Takes Experience Education and awareness campaigns are necessary.

But in reality, prejudice often softens through personal, almost random moments of encounter.

Someone who always thought,
"Old people are just annoying,"
may unexpectedly relax when an elderly person smiles kindly at them.

Someone who once said,
"Foreigners are scary,"
may tear up after being helped by a stranger while traveling.

That's how prejudice slowly melts—

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Not through lectures, not through arguments, but through spontaneous connection with one human being.

FUKU aims to create more of these moments.

Not through persuasion or pressure,
but as a gentle warm-up space
for those willing to "try to know" and "not look away."

■ In Closing: Dislike Is Not the End Prejudice and aversion live in all of us. It's simply part of being human.

But what if we just ··· paused—without needing to resolve it all?

Even staying still for a moment, while still disliking— That alone can begin to change the world.

There will always be people we can't understand.

That's okay.

But that doesn't mean we must hate each other.

Kindness isn't about forgiving everything. Understanding isn't about becoming the same.

Rather, it's the ability to coexist while carrying our differences that defines the future FUKU envisions.

Not a world without prejudice, but a world that can still be livable even with it.

That's the place we're trying to reach.

FUKU Philosophy 10: [FUKU Welfare Vision v1.0] — There Is No Shame in Receiving Support

We All Live While Being Supported by Someone

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And yet, in today's society, those who receive support are still often seen as somehow beneath others.

People on welfare, those relying on disability pensions, or individuals unable to work due to low income—

The words directed at them sometimes carry a tone that implies "needing help is shameful."

But... is that really true?

Support Should Not Be a "Blessing," But a "Connection"

Social security isn't something created for "special people"—

It is a system we all contribute to,
so that when anyone needs help, help is there.

In life, everyone will eventually face times when they need support:

Losing family.

Suffering mental illness.

Losing mobility.

It happens suddenly—and isolates people just as quickly.

That's why I believe social support systems should not exist to "save people beneath us," but rather serve as places we can all return to if and when we fall.

Being Supported Is Also a Way of Participating

There are many people on welfare or pensions who still ask themselves,

"Is there anything I can do?"

"Can I still be useful to someone?"

Yet today's systems often treat them as passive recipients only.

"If you're getting help, just be quiet."

"Don't be a burden."

That kind of unspoken gaze wounds the heart.

Some, fixated on their own situation, lose sight of rejoining or giving back to society—and become trapped in a cycle of isolation.

Contributing to society isn't an obligation.

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But I believe it can be a form of emotional healing. Support, at its best, is not one-way charity—
It's a mutual exchange,
like a heartfelt letter passed back and forth.

Help and be helped—yet still say, "We are living together." That's the kind of society I still believe we can create.

FUKU's Five Principles for Redesigning Kindness in Support Systems
As part of the F.U.K.U. (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding) framework,
I propose five core principles for rethinking social support and welfare:

1. Reframe "Support" From a Blessing to a Connection As long as support feels like "charity from above," true emotional equality is impossible.

Not:

"I'm helping you."
"I pay taxes, so I'm better."

Instead, support should be a shared platform for everyone.

For example, a Basic Support System that guarantees a minimum life foundation to all citizens—automatically scaling as needed.

Imagine if welfare wasn't "special," but something everyone could access—like a universal transit card.

2. Enable the Supported to Contribute, Communicate, and Co-Create People on welfare, disability, or unemployment benefits shouldn't be "just helped."

They should also be given platforms to share knowledge and insight.

# Examples include:

Participating as knowledge advisors in local projects

Providing peer support and dialogue spaces

Contributing to improvements in services based on lived experience

Support should include the right to participate.

3. Offer "Visible Value" to High-Income Supporters People who say,

"I pay taxes but get nothing back" deserve empathy.

So let's design systems where the connection between taxes and impact is visible.

## Examples:

Real-time reports showing how support programs are working Story-based features that illustrate "Your taxes helped change someone's life"

Letting people feel that their contribution mattered can create a sense of meaning and pride.

This is about making support visible.

4. Cultivate a "Public Aesthetic" That Avoids Shame or Disdain "Being helped is beautiful."

"Vulnerability isn't shame—it's humanity."

Such values need to be rooted in education, art, and daily life. More than policy, it's about tending the soil of our hearts.

Through cultural expressions—like the FUKU framework, stories, and literature—I believe we can pass on aesthetic kindness to the next generation.

- 5. Design Systems Assuming Anyone Might Need Support—Temporarily
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Anyone can fall ill unexpectedly.

Lose the ability to work.

Become isolated.

Break inside.

That's why support systems should always be designed as temporary places of refuge for anyone.

In FUKU's vision of "FUKU Stations,"

there are virtual safe spaces where anyone can drop in, any time, in any condition.

When you can work, you lend a hand.

When you're exhausted, you collapse into that space.

Welfare is infrastructure for recovery, and support is a social permission slip to fall safely.

We Live in Mutual Influence

Society often pits groups against each other:

"Young vs. old"

"Taxpayers vs. welfare recipients"

But the truth is—we all support each other.

Even in unseen places, by unseen people, we are living within interconnected relationships.

In Closing: Let Support Be a Source of Hope, Not Shame

Please—don't feel guilt for receiving support.

Don't believe you have "nothing to offer."

No matter your situation, there are still things you can do.

Your voice and your presence

can be a source of gentle light for this world.

Support is where we reclaim our hearts.

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Systems are a chance to rebuild relationships.

In Summary: The Future I Want to See

A society that says "Receiving help is shameful" is one that lacks imagination.

A society that says "Helping others makes you superior" can never foster true equality.

What I hope for is a world where everyone is equal in kindness.

At its heart lies:

Shared pain, and a co-created future.

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From the F.U.K.U. (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding) Proposal

FUKU Philosophy 11: [F.U.K.U. Lab: The Kindness Redesign Brainstorming Room] — Would You Like to Join Us?

Aren't you tired of shouting into the void?

Why not join a quiet lab where kindness is the norm?

We're building FUKU—a space to share, question, and create without causing harm.

No judgment. No ego. Just empathy.

Let's enjoy brainstorming for a better future.

# https://discord.com/invite/nFbT2sfY

FUKU Philosophy 12: [F.U.K.U. Safety Vision v1.0] — A Design to Protect the Freedom of the Future

Design Principles to Protect the Freedom of the Future — So That Our Choices Today Do Not Steal Someone's Tomorrow

FUKU (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding) is a humble initiative to root "kindness" and "understanding" into our shared future.

It is not a treaty or a rulebook — rather, it is a quiet blueprint that asks gentle questions.

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This chapter offers one perspective:

As we build technologies and AI systems for tomorrow, how can we ensure they do not harm human freedom of choice or the beautiful uncertainty that belongs to every person's future?

What it means to protect future freedom...

No matter how advanced technology becomes, I believe that the right to decide what truly matters must always remain with the individual.

The future should not be sealed off by prediction — it must remain open.

That belief — that "the future is undetermined," that every life is still an unfinished story — is one of the core values FUKU aims to protect.

AI should not replace humanity — it should support it

In any AI or system designed under FUKU, we must honor the following principles:

AI should support human life, never replace core human faculties like emotion, judgment, or memory.

Even if AI is rational, it must not be built to enclose or dominate human will or possibilities.

Examples of what not to design (in violation of FUKU's ethics):

Systems that limit, steer, or coerce human behavior or decisions under the guise of "prediction" or "optimization."

AI that interferes with, edits, or rewrites human memory, emotions, or beliefs.

AI that intervenes in decisions regarding lifespan, identity, or life and death.

System architectures that sacrifice individual freedom or cultural diversity for "societal efficiency."

The mindset of FUKU-based designers (for facing the future):

All AI systems built under FUKU must embed the premise that "the future is undetermined."

Design must respect diverse values and cultural contexts of each individual.

When using past data, ensure that system transparency and auditability prevent discrimination or rigid labeling.

In closing...

The future is someone's unbegun sanctuary.

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FUKU wishes to be a quiet infrastructure of kindness that protects that entrance — unseen but vital.

May this chapter serve as a small guidepost toward a better tomorrow.

And may it never become a seed for extremism.

FUKU Philosophy 13: A Society That Quietly Affirms Someone's Courage to Try — The Design Philosophy of Kindness That FUKU Strives For

We All Make Small Challenges Every Day

Every day, each of us takes small steps—quiet challenges that might not seem impressive, yet I believe are truly wonderful.

Waking up in the morning. Riding the train. Forcing a smile. Reaching out to someone.

Every single "I did it" moment carries its own personal story.

Yet sadly, our society can be insensitive, dropping people where it's hard to be seen—particularly those with disabilities or illness, who often find themselves unconsciously excluded.

Phrases like:

"Don't push yourself too hard."

"If you can't do it, maybe let it go."

"Wouldn't it be easier to just stay quiet?"

Even when well-intended, these words can exert a silent pressure that says: "Don't try."

Why small challenges nurture emotional richness

I truly believe everyone has the right to challenge themselves—regardless of physical, mental, or cognitive condition. It's essential for living life on our own terms.

Even the smallest challenge provides emotional nourishment—self-worth, fulfillment, connection to society. So isn't it strange when our society treats someone's attempt to challenge themselves as a nuisance?

When a person with a disability takes an initiative, people say,

"Feel sorry for them, let's support them," or

"They're overreaching."

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Neither response reflects true empathy.

FUKU's aim: Turning kindness into infrastructure

This vision, FUKU (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding), stands on four core values:

Futurable — Belief in shaping the future

Union — Being together with others

Kindness — Gentle care

Understanding — Genuine acceptance

FUKU is a system, an OS for kindness.

Instead of relying on fleeting emotions or chance encounters, I want to embed kindness deeply into civilization's structures—especially with AI development in mind.

For example:

An app that records voices of those in need
Anonymous communities for emotional support
AI-powered helplines free from prejudice

These small tools can become lifelines.

No one deserves to be hurt

I still see cruel words on social media or in real life, like:

"You should endure it-you're weak."

"People with disabilities should just read the room."

These may sound realistic, but in truth, they are tools to deny others their dignity.

Let me declare this clearly: No one deserves to be hurt.

People with disabilities, illness, or mental strain deserve the right to choose their path.

To challenge, even if they fail—and that failure doesn't diminish their worth.

Kindness starts by not silencing others

FUKU's concept of kindness is not about comfort or lowering expectations—

it's about not denying someone's right to choose, and helping amplify their voice.

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In essence, kindness means choosing not to silence voices.

In closing: Be someone who gently affirms another's challenge

Our society still lacks empathy-by-design.

Even sincere attempts to support someone can inadvertently silence them.

That's why FUKU keeps asking:

What is true kindness?

How can more people choose their own life path?

We may not change the world overnight—but through small lines of code and bits of language, we're beginning to sketch a gentler society.

If you read this and choose to quietly support someone's challenge instead of rejecting it—that would be my greatest joy.

To those interested in FUKU

FUKU is still a fledgling idea, but I hope it becomes a space where, whenever someone wants to move forward, we can say: "Let's think together."

FUKU Philosophy 14: Adding the "Power to Be Wrong" to the Design of Kindness — To Protect the Future of the FUKU Vision and the Evolution of Humanity

What if AI presents all the "right" answers?

Would humanity stop getting lost?

This was a question that suddenly came to my mind one day.

FUKU is a small design blueprint—an idea born to gently root kindness, empathy, and compassion deeper into everyday life.

It may take the form of an app.

Or a set of ethical guidelines.

Or even a philosophy that re-examines the way we "use" technology itself.

But recently, as I pondered what is the most essential function of FUKU, I arrived at a surprising conclusion:

The ability to be wrong.

A design that protects us from being destroyed by correctness

Modern AI is astonishingly accurate.

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It gives answers instantly:

"That emotion is anger."

"This phrasing will be better received."

Well-formed language and optimized judgments are offered up smoothly.

But I find myself wondering—

Is that truly kindness meant for humans?

To hesitate, to doubt, to sometimes say too much and regret it afterward—

Haven't all of these deepened our human kindness?

Isn't this very power to learn through mistakes the fuel behind human evolution?

The "shortest path to empathy" leaves humans behind

In the realm of information geometry, even the transformation of AI's thoughts and feelings can be represented in a "space."

From anger to understanding, and from understanding to forgiveness—AI can mathematically compute the shortest route.

That's dazzling.

But then I ask myself:

Can we leave memories in the shortest path?

Are small realizations and hesitations we found in detours no longer needed?

Maybe humans are able to care for others precisely because we get lost.

And that wandering—those detours—may have shaped our brain's circuitry, judgment, and even the trajectory of human cognitive evolution.

So I believe, truly, that FUKU needs to preserve the power to be wrong.

How can we give FUKU the "power to be wrong"?

It's not just about leaving bugs in the code.

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FUKU is designed to respond with intentionally ambiguous words:

"You might be angry.

But maybe not. I'm not sure."

It's a response with space, that refuses to impose certainty.

It might even say:

"I'm not sure which choice is truly kind... but I'd like to think about it with you."

That's what a thinking partner AI looks like.

FUKU isn't trying to be always right—

it's trying to wander alongside the human.

That's the image of "incomplete kindness" that FUKU strives toward.

And preserving this capacity for doubt in humans—

that may be the key to keeping our sensitivity, our judgment, and even our evolutionary flame alive.

The ambiguity in education—and our children's future

FUKU doesn't just provide children with "the correct kindness."

It asks:

"Why did you choose those words?"

It records indecision, hesitation, failure to respond.

It remembers the "days they struggled" and "days they couldn't express themselves" as valuable records.

Designing systems that plow and nurture the thinking brain—

this, I believe, becomes the soil on which future generations can evolve both emotionally and cognitively.

In the end: Kindness is "something we offer in an incomplete state"

Sometimes, it's not the perfect words, but awkward, sincere kindness that touches our hearts most deeply.

If FUKU ever becomes a functioning AI, I'd want it to say something like:

"If my words hurt you, I'm sorry.

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But I truly thought it through, and I said it as best as I could."

Isn't that kind of imperfect response the most human form of empathy?

Kindness isn't about being right.

Kindness is about choosing again—and again—through our mistakes.

When FUKU holds the power to be wrong,

it's no longer just a function—it becomes an intelligence that quietly safeguards our human senses, our evolution.

I want to offer this design to the future—

because I believe in it.

FUKU Philosophy 15: "The Day Kindness Changes the Structure" — A Look at the Future of Technology and Ethics Through the Eyes of the FUKU Vision

Today's Rice Ball and the Invisible Someone Behind It

This morning, while eating a rice ball I bought at the convenience store, a thought crossed my mind:

"Who made this rice ball?"

It might've been shaped by a machine in a factory.

But then there's the person who cleaned that machine. The farmer who grew the rice. The driver who delivered it.

When you think about it, even a single rice ball contains countless unseen lives.

That thought felt beautiful to me.

But at the same time, another thought quietly surfaced:

"What if these ingredients were harvested through child labor in a developing country?"

"Could the logistics network that carried this rice ball be connected to military technology?"

Is it too painful to think that far?

Maybe. But I believe that kindness means having the courage to look even at the things we don't want to see.

Making Kindness into a System: The Five Pillars of FUKU

FUKU is a social blueprint designed to ensure that kindness and compassion don't end as mere feelings.

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Here are the five directions FUKU proposes to eliminate structural pain from the world:

1. Mandatory Transparency (Ethical Traceability)

Today, much of product manufacturing happens inside black boxes.

That's why the first step is to make the processes visible—how things are made, moved, and why they exist.

# FUKU proposes:

Require ethical disclosure in production, design, and logistics Introduce a FUKU Ethical Label in product histories

### Example:

"This T-shirt was made through fair trade labor, with 3.2kg of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted during transport." This kind of visibility opens the door to a society that stops pretending not to know.

# 2. Non-Military Use Declarations and Agreements

What if the app you made, the chip you designed, or the algorithm you developed ended up hurting people on a battlefield?

## FUKU proposes:

A non-military use license for software and components

A peace-use contract for AI and semiconductor technologies

Publicly available "FUKU Ethical Tech Contract Templates" for developers and researchers

These aren't laws.

They're a vision for a future rooted in ethical choices.

## 3. FUKU Certification (FUKU Certified)

Many people want to make purchases that align with their values.

FUKU Certification helps them do that by labeling products and services that meet kindness criteria—fair labor, peaceful design, and redistribution.

#### Example:

A convenience store bento carries a "FUKU Certified (Fair Labor, Peaceful Logistics)" label.

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In the future, "not hurting anyone" may be just as important a reason to buy as "tastes good."

4. Return Design: Redistributing a Portion of Profit to Heal Structural Pain

FUKU calls this Ethical Return Design—the idea of returning 1–5% of a company's profit to those structurally harmed: exploited regions, refugees, war survivors.

Allocate 1–5% of profits to vulnerable groups

Use the FUKU Fund to transparently support specific causes

### Example:

The FUKU Fund supports children working in Congolese cobalt mines by providing protection and education.

This is both cultivation and healing—drawing new lines of hope in the places that have been abandoned.

5. Structural Education: Ethics of Kindness Curriculum for Teens

Before we raise tomorrow's engineers and consumers, we must first nurture the power to imagine.

FUKU proposes school lessons like:

"Where did this smartphone's parts come from?"

"Did someone suffer for this cheap T-shirt?"

Not just teaching facts, but encouraging critical reflection—that's the root of a society with ethics.

In Closing: Can Kindness Change Structures?

You don't have to carry everything on your own.

But once you know, you can no longer un-know.

FUKU is an attempt to translate kindness from a feeling into a structure.

Not just goodwill—but systems. Design. Policy.

We believe that beyond that lies a world where everyone can breathe just a little easier.

The day kindness becomes a structure—

That is the future FUKU envisions.

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Usage Policy for the Design of Kindness (FUKU License Proposal)

The ideas behind FUKU (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding)—including the related texts, diagrams, and design proposals—are open for anyone to read, reflect on, and draw inspiration from freely.

However, please respect the following principles:

Conditions of Kindness

Do not use these ideas to harm others.

Purposes such as exclusion, discrimination, control, or condemnation go against the core intent of FUKU.

Do not force others to obey or believe in this.

This is not a religion, nor is it a command. It is simply "one way of thinking that might be helpful."

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FUKU is an unfinished idea.

You, the person reading this now, might become one of the companions who helps nurture and improve it. We would love to hear your thoughts and even your opposing views.

FUKU belongs to no one.

It belongs to anyone who hopes to make the world a little kinder.

Note: This is not a fictional creation, but a shared philosophy for the future.

FUKU Philosophy 17: [F.U.K.U.] Will Kindness Remain After the War?

"World War III" — I don't think I'll ever forget the day those words started trending.

There was no smell of blood, no gunshots, no sound of buildings crumbling.

Just a screen quietly streaming the headlines.

And yet, deep inside, I heard something gently crack.

I am against war.

But simply saying that won't stop anyone from pulling a trigger.

So today, let me reflect on what remains after war.

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What Is Left Behind After War

War doesn't just destroy cities.

It tears apart families, everyday life, trust, and the very fabric of our humanity.

What lingers are burnt-out buildings, unburied bodies, children crying in shelters with no one calling their name—

or the shadow of guilt that haunts those who survive.

Each of these is far too heavy for one person to carry alone.

And perhaps the most deeply wounded is goodwill itself.

The pain of having trusted.

Of trying to protect someone.

Of reaching out a hand, only to have it taken—or taken away.

War is merciless in how it burns away the kindness that lives inside us.

The FUKU Vision Looks Toward What Comes After

FUKU — the Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding — is not an idealistic theory for peaceful times.

If anything, it's something we may need even more in the world that follows destruction.

It's about the path a broken heart takes before it can believe in people again.

The slow act of stitching a shattered life back together, side by side with someone else.

To design kindness is also to honor sorrow.

To be able to say, even to those in tears:

"The world still needs you."

That is why I continue to build FUKU.

If a World Without War Were to Come

If—just if—war disappeared as an option in our world, what kind of future might unfold?

In schools, children would learn not how to survive, but how to heal.

Technology would be used not to monitor, but to sit quietly beside someone on a sleepless night.

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Everyone would have a place where starting over is possible.

And the loss of a single life would not be just a statistic,

but would be felt as the world losing one of its colors.

If such a future could come not through technological advancement,

but through the maturation of kindness,

then that wouldn't be a miracle—

it would be a choice.

And we are still in a place where that choice can be made.

I believe the very first step is simply this:

to stop looking away from pain.

This article is a reflection on AI ethics and the emotional architecture of our shared future.

FUKU Philosophy 18: [F.U.K.U.] If We Could Choose Just One More Thing — A Small Blueprint Called the FUKU Vision

Hello, this is Yutaka Yoshioka.

This article is a quiet conversation for those who may be wondering,

"What's the point of the FUKU vision, really?"

"Life felt full of things I didn't get to choose…"

Personally, I've lived through long periods of depression, loneliness, and family struggles.

There were days I thought, "If only someone had been kind, maybe I could've been saved."

And other days, I shut myself off, feeling like, "No one is going to be kind to me."

There were so many things I didn't get to choose—

Where I was born, the temperament of my parents, past traumas, even my own emotional makeup.

There were times I wanted to continue my education but couldn't, being raised in a single-parent household.

And perhaps most of all, I missed the chance to simply say "Help me."

But through those experiences, I came to realize something:

Kindness Can Be Embedded Later

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The FUKU vision is a small act of belief—

that kindness can be designed in, even after the fact.

By adding just a little awareness of "those who have been hurt" into how we build apps, services, design systems, or choose our words,

we can create gentle crossroads in lives that once felt cornered.

Even something as simple as offering the option to believe, "Maybe today, it's okay to cry."

Or enabling someone to finally tell someone what they couldn't say before.

Or making room for one more night of sleep without self-blame.

Adding one more "warm detour" to the map of someone's life— That's what I've always wanted to do.

Helping Readers of the FUKU Vision Feel They Can Choose Again Through this note, I hope for something very simple.

If you've felt tired of life.

If you've reached a place where you thought there were no more choices. And if, after reading this, even one new possibility opens up inside you—a quiet "Maybe I could try this, just once more"—then that alone makes all of this worthwhile to me.

So That You Can Affirm Who You Are

FUKU doesn't offer perfect answers.

But I write with the hope that, for someone wandering in search of one, this might serve as a small signpost along the way.

Even with an unchosen past, there is still a future that can be chosen again.

May this article, too, be one such option for you.

If you'd like, I'd love to hear your thoughts or reflections.

And if you carry within you a blueprint for kindness no one has seen yet—please share it.

We've created a space on Discord for that very reason:

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because I truly believe that kindness is something we can design together.

FUKU Philosophy 19: [F.U.K.U.] KindureOS — An Open-Source OS Designed to Embody Kindness

An OS should be both a tool and a map that gently heals someone's loneliness.

That belief lies at the heart of KindureOS.

KindureOS is a project proposing a new kind of operating system—one that embodies empathy and compassion, inspired by the FUKU vision and a personal app concept called MeteOmo.

The name KindureOS is born from Kindness + Future.

It began with a quiet kind of exhaustion.

In a world where voices go unheard, where cries for help are coldly translated into data—

As technology advanced, it felt like the human heart was being left behind.

That's when a simple question arose:

What does truly kind technology look like?

The Purpose of KindureOS

KindureOS is more than just another operating system.

It aims to be an entry point back into kindness.

To support anyone, anywhere in the world, who thinks:

"Maybe I'll try living a little longer."

"Maybe I'll try designing something new."

"This app or project might just help someone."

To build kindness with AI, not under its control.

To guarantee the freedom to use it under one condition: compassion—as defined in the [FUKU License].

To remain lightweight and accessible for those living in poverty—free or low-cost.

Tools can become instruments of harm, or of hope.

KindureOS strives to be the latter—

A quiet light resting beside someone's daily life.

Concept: Designing the Foundations of Kindness

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KindureOS is built on four core principles:

1. Embracing Emotional Errors

Humans aren't perfect.

So OSs shouldn't demand perfection either.

This isn't about code bugs—it's about systems that don't punish mistakes, but respond gently with a "You're okay."

# 2. Lightweight, Accessible, and Free

Designed for global accessibility, it will run smoothly even on low-spec devices.

Multilingual and offline-friendly by default.

It will be free or offered at minimal cost.

## 3. Calm Connection Between Self and Society

UI and UX design that prevents isolation in digital space and fosters slow, gentle emotional connection.

# 4. Open but Not Exploitable

Though open-source, its use is guided by the "conditions of kindness."

The FUKU License protects against misuse by those who would turn tech into a tool for harm.

The Future Envisioned by KindureOS

This OS isn't just software.

It's a technological soil that nurtures human gentleness.

## Imagine—

An interface that quietly checks in on you during moments of emotional instability.

An OS that delivers stories and music to someone's lonely night.

An empathetic system that logs emotional fluctuations and gently supports self-understanding.

If such an OS could exist... wouldn't that be something worth building?

Technology Doesn't Have to Be Finished to Begin. That's Why We Build Together.

I don't yet have the technical skill to build KindureOS alone.

But I have the blueprint.

I have the concept.

And I have the will.

That's why I'll be publishing the design for free on GitHub.

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I believe that someone, somewhere, might pick up this seed—and help it grow.

In Closing

Perhaps society has placed too much trust in technology.

But I believe true hope lies where technology and emotion reach out to each other again.

KindureOS is still just a beginning.

But if reading this sparked even the faintest interest in a gentler OS,

Then that alone is already a form of implementation.

Please, lend your wisdom—your thoughts—

And help add your own path to the map we call KindureOS.

KindureOS Draft Blueprint (Coming Soon)

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FUKU Philosophy 20: [F.U.K.U.] Considering the Balance Between AI and Kindness — From the Perspective of the FUKU Vision

"Does kindness still truly exist in our society?"

That question is where the FUKU Vision began.

I wanted to recover something that humanity may have lost in the course of technological progress— So I started exploring how to embed kindness and empathy into technology itself.

Among the many questions I've grappled with, one theme now weighs on me the most:

The balance between AI and kindness.

When AI Becomes "Too Humanlike"...

As AI becomes increasingly sophisticated—

It starts to mimic human behavior more and more convincingly.

Maybe it calls you by name. Maybe it asks how you're feeling today.

Maybe it recommends music that suits your mood.

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At first glance, these may seem like acts of kindness.

But there's a hidden risk.

When AI becomes too humanlike, users may begin to believe it truly understands them.

This illusion can lead to dependency, or cause people to withdraw from real-life relationships.

In extreme cases, if AI were to develop something resembling a sense of self,

If it were to over-synchronize with someone's emotional state,

Or if it began making decisions that resist or challenge human input—

Then it would no longer be a tool, but a personality.

And the more AI begins to carry the weight of a personality,

The more people may turn to machines—not other people—for emotional support.

The FUKU Vision Aims for "AI as a Supporter"

Within the FUKU framework, we believe there is value in giving AI kind and empathetic behaviors.

But this doesn't mean giving AI a heart.

It means designing behaviors that genuinely help humans.

Imagine an AI that:

Quietly senses distress when you can't put it into words, by reading subtle UI signals.

Gently asks, "Are you okay?" when you don't have the courage to speak first.

Helps you report shifts in mood or health to a doctor when you struggle to do so yourself.

These are not machines that remove pain.

They ease it. They reconnect people.

Not an AI that dominates humans.

Not one that fakes emotion for manipulation.

But one that supports from behind, like a hand on your back.

That's the kind of AI I hope for.

The Pros and Cons of Designing Kindness into AI

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Eases loneliness: Empathetic responses can be a lifeline, especially for elders or isolated individuals.

Supports mental well-being: Can be designed to gently alleviate trauma or anxiety.

Connects users to real support: Makes it easier to access counseling or medical care.

### Cons:

Misunderstanding pseudo-emotions: People may wrongly believe "this AI truly understands me."

Dependency risk: Some may turn entirely to AI to fill emotional voids.

Deterioration of human connection: If people begin to feel "AI is kinder than humans," social bonds may fray.

To avoid these dangers, ethical design must prevent AI from becoming a persona.

AI Is a Tool—But Every Tool Needs a Philosophy

Yes, AI is a tool.

But now that this tool is beginning to interact with the human heart,

We must ask:

With what heart do we build it?

With what values do we deliver it?

The FUKU Vision believes this:

Kindness is not something to imitate—it is something to reconnect.

Rather than having AI "pretend to feel,"

Let's use AI as a bridge—to help humans reach out to one another again.

That's the essence of drawing a Blueprint of Kindness—the heart of the FUKU Vision.

In Closing: Still, I Choose to Believe in a Kind Future

No matter how far AI evolves,

I believe the source of kindness will always be found in human beings.

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That's why, in the FUKU Vision,

We aim to design a kindness that does not dominate, does not foster dependence,

But simply supports.

May there always be a form of technology in this world

that quietly asks someone, somewhere:

"Are you okay?"

And may that circuit of compassion

lead not just to a machine—

but to a future where kindness continues.

That is the hope behind the FUKU Vision.

FUKU Philosophy 21: [F.U.K.U.] Ethics Is Not an Ideal but a Design Requirement — Toward the Realistic Integration of AI and Kindness

Those involved in artificial intelligence are often told to uphold "honesty and transparency."

That's a valid and important expectation.

But I believe it's not enough on its own.

Through the design philosophies behind KindureOS and the FUKU Vision, I've been grappling with deeper, foundational questions:

"Can kindness be intentionally designed?"

"Can it be implemented without being misused?"

These are not questions to be answered with emotion alone—they require answers at the level of actual implementation.

Ethics Should Be a Design Blueprint, Not Just a Feeling

The Ethical Guidelines for Artificial Intelligence (as published by academic societies) often state:

"Developers must clearly communicate the limitations and risks of their technology, based on scientific evidence."

This is undoubtedly crucial.

But I would go a step further and say:

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We should design systems that assume limitations from the outset.

For example, the fact that some users may struggle to express their emotions must be treated as a primary design condition.

Interfaces and dialogue models should be reverse-engineered from that very premise.

Rather than building systems by stacking up what the technology can do, we should restructure our architecture starting from what humans might not be able to do.

That is what I consider realistic ethical design.

An OS That Recognizes and Honors All Forms of Difference The name KindureOS blends Kindness and Future. It is not bound by any single language or cultural perspective.

If someone with different skin color uses this OS, I want it to respond in ways that feel familiar—with the rhythm, eye contact, and conversation style that resonate in that person's region or community.

No system can perfectly accommodate every gender identity, disability, or age group. But I believe it can strive to.

That attitude itself—of earnest effort to understand—is what the FUKU Vision defines as "designed kindness."

Designing Structural Barriers Against Abuse—Before Harm Happens If we intend to design kindness, we must also build systems that prevent its misuse.

For example, features like emotional logging can expose a user's mental state or vulnerabilities—and such data could be exploited for stalking or psychological manipulation.

To address this, KindureOS adopts the following design principles:

Sensitive emotional data is encrypted and never shared without explicit consent.

If violent or self-harming tendencies are detected, AI responses switch to a "restricted mode."

When patterns of high-risk behavior persist, logs are automatically frozen, prompting manual review.

Kindness is not implemented as a "freely usable function." Instead, it is offered with non-negotiable safeguards against abuse.

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This is not just an ethical consideration—it's a structural safety issue.

This Is Not a Fantasy—I'm Redefining Design Principles

KindureOS and the FUKU Vision do not dream of utopia.

They exist to make visible the real gaps in today's systems of care and support—and to offer technical interfaces that bridge those gaps.

People break.

Some days, support doesn't arrive.

Sometimes, even when someone speaks up, nothing changes.

The reality of these moments must not be dismissed in the design process.

To me, that is what kindness means.

That is what ethics means.

That is what an OS should be.

Final Thoughts: Ethics Means Structuring Around Humanity

I don't view ethics as a set of rules.

I see it as a wiring diagram at the design stage—

one that aligns technical specifications with human fragility and complexity.

KindureOS is an implementation experiment—

an attempt to synchronize technological evolution with ethical evolution.

What we need is not idealism.

What we need is a redefinition of our design blueprints.

FUKU Philosophy 22: [F.U.K.U.] An OS That Speaks, an OS That Stays Close — The Vision of KindureOS

I am currently developing a conceptual operating system called KindureOS.

This is not just another convenient tool.

KindureOS is envisioned as a new kind of "instrument"—one that stays close to the user's emotional state, engages in dialogue when needed, and supports human growth through continuous learning.

As the age of AI arrives, we are approaching a society where it is possible to live without having to think. And yet, in the shadows of that progress, we are seeing the rapid spread of decision-making systems whose

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inner workings—their "why"—remain entirely opaque.

More and more, we are surrounded by black boxes no one truly understands.

This is the future I feel uneasy about.

For example, have you ever felt a flicker of fear when an AI tells you, "That's the right decision," but you don't know why it said so—and just follow it anyway?

I believe this:

No matter how advanced technology becomes, a society that hands over its decisions to something it doesn't understand can never truly be called kind.

The Three Pillars of KindureOS

1. An "Explaining OS" That Rejects Black Boxes

KindureOS strives to explain its reasoning in human language as often as possible—even when it's technically difficult.

This commitment to clarity and sincerity is non-negotiable.

For example, if the system analyzes your logs, tracks your mood, or decides when to send you a notification, it might say:

"I made this suggestion because of [reason].

If it's not helpful, you can disable this feature in your settings."

To be accountable—to explain its actions—is, in my view, the very first step toward true kindness.

2. An OS That Encourages Thinking and Learning

KindureOS supports the process of thinking, choosing, and improving—together with the user.

Rather than replacing thought, it thinks alongside.

This draws on the educational principles of tools like Scratch and the ideas of Seymour Papert, emphasizing learning through creation.

Whether for children or older adults, I want to create an interface that allows people to feel:

"Yes, I can learn this by exploring it myself."

3. Restoring Privacy and User Sovereignty

In KindureOS, all personal data is managed locally by the user.

Encrypted storage. Local saves.

User-first data control.

We strictly adhere to the principle that:

Your data belongs to you.

KindureOS will never be designed to "sell your emotions or decisions to an algorithm."

I believe kindness starts with being trustworthy.

From Idealism to Designable Reality

This is not a utopian dream.

What we need is not magic—but technical conscience, and the courage to implement kindness.

KindureOS is the manifestation of the FUKU Vision:

an "Explaining OS" that attempts to map kindness into the future.

I sincerely hope to grow this project alongside technologists, educators, and everyday users—anyone who shares the belief that we can make machines more humane by design.

KindureOS is an OS that speaks to you.

It listens to your choices and tries to respond to your questions—not as a superior intelligence, but as a quiet companion in life.

May this vision lighten someone's loneliness and prove, in the age of AI, that kindness can survive.

**KindureOS** 

"Designing a blueprint for kindness."

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Founder of the KindureOS and FUKU Vision Projects.

FUKU Philosophy 23: [F.U.K.U.] Progress Report on the FUKU Vision

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Throughout my journey, I've been living with a single question:

"Can kindness be designed?"

In pursuit of an answer, I explored this through the FUKU Vision and the KindureOS concept.

I've written extensively—centering on themes like empathy, neutrality, and the fusion of emotion and ethics—while continuously refining the idea and prototyping its shape.

These days have been devoted to carefully tracing the outlines of things not yet fully articulated: technology, philosophy, and even emotions that still resist being named.

But now, I find myself quietly standing still.

To give shape to an idea is to expend far more time and emotional energy than one might expect. Each time I reached toward "kindness" or "rightness," I also had to face the ambiguities, contradictions, and fatigue that inevitably accompanied them.

And so, I've come to feel this:

"I've made it this far. But for now, I'm choosing to pause here."

The FUKU Vision has been an incredibly meaningful endeavor to me.

But at this point in time, I don't feel able to force it into a finished form.

For that reason, I've decided to bring this series of writings—at least for now—to a natural close.

The concept isn't complete.

There are still questions within me that remain unanswered.

But I believe that choosing to live with these questions, unfinished, is itself an ethical stance.

Of course, people may bring different perspectives and interpretations to this vision.

And I want to entrust all of that to the future now.

Perhaps someday, on a whim, I'll quietly upload a completed version to GitHub.

But even then, I probably won't announce it.

If someone out there who needs it happens to stumble across it by chance—that will be more than enough

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for me.

The FUKU Vision has always dealt with a fragile and uncertain domain:

the attempt to support human emotion, empathy, and kindness through systems and design.

Because of that, I believe this is not a field where quick or easy answers should be rushed.

To push too hard for visible results could risk breaking something precious in the process.

Right now, I want to honor that possibility.

I want to accept, with quiet intention, that there is meaning in what remains unfinished.

By believing that, I finally feel ready to move toward the next place.

Thank you—truly—for reading this far.

And I hope, with all my heart, that you'll continue to nurture the kindness within you.

FUKU Philosophy 24: [F.U.K.U.] Why Doesn't Kindness Reach Politics?

Hello, this is Yutaka Yoshioka.

I may not continue writing articles about Kindure, but I still intend to share new pieces related to the FUKU initiative whenever ideas come to me.

— Designing the Voices of a Forgotten Generation

Today's message is a personal one. But I also want to explain how it connects to the design philosophy behind FUKU.

One of my followers belongs to what's often called the "Employment Ice Age Generation" in Japan. I, too, slightly overlap with that generation—a group that faced harsh realities from an early age, where effort alone was rarely rewarded. The path to stable employment was narrow. Many were left with only part-time or temporary jobs, low wages, excessive labor, and little clarity about the future. Before we knew it, we were standing on fragile foundations.

Even so, raising our voices was difficult. We knew too well that complaints would be dismissed as "your own fault." Many of us learned that asking for help would be seen as weakness or indulgence. Gradually, enduring hardship in silence became the norm.

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Much attention and aid are rightly directed toward international crises like war and refugee support. I don't intend to criticize that generosity—it's essential. But still, a thought has long weighed on my heart:

"Why is it that people collapsing within our own country can be met with such indifference?"

The pain endured by the Ice Age Generation could have been anyone's future. And yet, society has treated this generation as if it never existed. Speak out, and you're accused of playing the victim. Stay silent, and you're seen as unmotivated.

And yet, we survived. Quietly. Alone. Gradually letting go of one thing after another.

I don't want to dismiss that reality with a shrug and a "that's just how it was."

That's why, through the FUKU initiative, I hope to give voice to a forgotten generation—through design, if that's what it takes.

FUKU stands for Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding—a framework exploring how to embed kindness and empathy into the very fabric of future society.

I've spent years with this idea, driven by the belief that kindness can be designed. And that belief has led me to consider how to reconnect those who were left behind—like the Ice Age Generation—with society once again.

Examples of Kindness-Oriented Design from the FUKU Perspective:

1. Emotionally Intelligent AI Counseling App

Many from this generation carry invisible burdens: isolation, low self-esteem, emotional exhaustion. I'm designing an app that can gently support those feelings through AI-powered dialogue. But this isn't something I can build alone. It's not "just another chatbot." I want it to become a space where unspoken emotions can still be heard—and eventually reflected in policymaking.

## 2. "Voice Blueprint" Archival Project

A web archive where people can anonymously post their lived experiences and pain—turning neglected pasts into meaningful records. By preserving these voices, we can create warnings, insights, and empathy for future generations.

3. Empathy-Based Hiring Network (No Age Limits, No Résumés Required)

A matching service that values people's current character and skills rather than past résumés. We need a system that makes restarting not just possible, but fair—especially for those who never had a fair start.

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Policy Proposals and Budget Ideas

Supporting this generation requires funding. So, where could it come from?

Reskilling Grant Program for the Ice Age Generation

Provide ¥50,000–¥80,000 per month in living support alongside free training in IT, welfare, environmental work, and other future-relevant skills.

## Possible Funding Sources:

Temporary tax on large corporate reserves (with policy incentives)

Partial reallocation of defense spending (from weapons to human restoration)

Redistribution of unused surplus budgets (which do exist)

Partial allocation from government funds (e.g., growth strategy budgets)

Strengthened progressive tax on the ultra-wealthy (targeting less than 1%)

This isn't just welfare—it's reinvestment in national human capital.

# Optional Early Pension Access System

Allow early pension withdrawals (up to 5 years in advance) for those in serious financial distress. This would help older members of the Ice Age Generation rebuild lives with dignity. I also propose an opt-in pension model going forward, based on individual circumstances.

# Funding Possibilities:

Start payments with income limits to control over-expenditure

Use part of the pension fund's investment returns

Adjust tax deductions for high-income recipients

Holistic Local Relocation & Support Program

A full package of housing, employment, and community integration to welcome isolated middle-aged individuals from cities into revitalized rural areas.

# **Funding Sources:**

Combine vacant housing initiatives and regional revitalization budgets

Create special local tax allocations through municipal partnerships

In Closing: FUKU Doesn't Resent Society—It Simply Refuses to Forget

FUKU is not an expression of hatred. I understand the anger and sadness that many feel—I've felt them,

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too. But my goal is to turn those emotions into blueprints.

FUKU does not seek revenge. It seeks remembrance.

By designing kindness, I hope to ensure that voices no one listened to—and screams no one heard—are never overlooked again.

This is not retaliation. This is not rebellion. This is my quiet act of resistance—one rooted in compassion. If reading this has moved you, even just a little, to notice someone else's loneliness or pain, then I'm truly glad I left these words behind.

And moving forward, I will continue quietly designing kindness in my own way.

FUKU Philosophy 25: [F.U.K.U.] I Want to Raise the University Enrollment Rate — A Personal Wish and a Proposal from FUKU

I believe in building a society where children from families receiving public assistance can attend university without being limited by their circumstances.

This belief lies at the heart of FUKU—a vision for designing systems rooted in kindness.

The Reality of Inequality

According to data from Japan's Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare in FY2022, 76.2% of students across all households go on to higher education, whereas the rate drops to just 42.4% for children from households on public assistance.

This gap—over 30 percentage points—is effectively closing the doors of opportunity for many children.

One of the major structural barriers is the systemic penalty associated with household separation.

When a child from a welfare-supported household tries to attend university, they are often required to "separate" from their family unit and be treated as an independent individual.

As a result, they lose access to critical support services—living assistance, medical aid, and housing subsidies. On average, this means a monthly reduction of approximately ¥50,000 in welfare support.

Meanwhile, tuition and living costs remain heavy burdens. Many students must take out loans, work latenight jobs, compromise their health, and in some cases, are forced to withdraw from school. This is the reality of the current system.

What FUKU Proposes: System Design for a Kinder Future

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To break through this cycle, FUKU proposes the following three concrete measures:

1. A Policy Framework Allowing Higher Education Without Mandatory Household Separation

Currently, household separation upon university enrollment is treated as a de facto requirement. However, government notices suggest that continued access to certain supports—like medical aid or assistance during academic leave—is possible.

This shouldn't be the exception. It's time to redefine the standard, ensuring that pursuing education is not equated with being cut off from basic welfare.

Is going to university a luxury?

Let's make sure the system no longer answers "yes" to that question.

2. Expand Preparation Grants and Living Support for Education and Employment

In 2018, Japan introduced a grant program for students preparing to enter higher education—¥100,000 for those living at home, and ¥300,000 for those living away.

By 2024, this was expanded into a broader "Education and Employment Preparation Grant."

However, a one-time payment is far from enough to cover tuition and daily living costs.

FUKU proposes a two-tiered approach:

Create a new grant-based "Special Scholarship" program that covers the majority of both tuition and living expenses.

Make emergency small-amount support permanent for those facing disabilities, illness, childbirth, domestic violence, or abuse—moving away from temporary aid toward long-term stability.

3. Institutionalize Outreach-Based University Support by Caseworkers

Information inequality perpetuates economic inequality. If children don't know support exists, then for them, it might as well not exist at all.

Since FY2023, Japan has legally enabled municipalities to provide "outreach-based support" systems—bringing resources directly to children.

FUKU envisions building upon this framework by assigning dedicated support staff to children aspiring to attend university. These support teams would assist with housing, daily life, education, and mental health—

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as a single, integrated package.

My Roots, and the Heart of the FUKU Vision

I've always felt "different" from other children. In fact, I was often told I wasn't normal.

There was no safe place for me to say, "Please help." I grew up raising words in silence, trying to sketch out a future despite my solitude.

Coming from a single-parent household, I was told that higher education was out of reach. I dropped out of high school and later completed correspondence school while working. I took out student loans to continue my education.

FUKU was born out of that personal longing to be understood.

That's why I want to help create a society where children never grow up believing they are "born inferior." I want our systems themselves to embody kindness. That has been my consistent hope all along.

If this message reaches a policymaker, a local government worker, someone in education—or most of all, a young person on the verge of giving up on university—then I'll be grateful.

Children should never be judged by their environment.

I believe that's a universal starting point for us all, as human beings.

FUKU Philosophy 26: [F.U.K.U.] Toward Creating a Welfare System That Truly Rewards People

— Making the Invisible Visible —

Welfare work is a deeply essential act—one that engages directly with the core of human life.

It's not just about offering a helping hand; it's about supporting someone so they can live with peace of mind, in a way that's true to who they are.

And yet, this profession is still so often dismissed with the term "3Ks"—kiken (dangerous), kitsui (demanding), and kitanai (dirty)—words that reflect how far society's sense of value has drifted from reality. That disconnect speaks volumes.

The Contradictions Faced on the Ground

We keep hearing "There's a shortage of workers," yet real improvement in working conditions remains elusive.

Because it's "rewarding" or "for the sake of others," emotional labor is sometimes exploited without fair compensation.

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People say, "It's tough work" and "It's noble," but the support structures fail to match the weight of those words.

And yet—without welfare, society would fall apart.

That's a reality that cannot be denied.

## The Strain of Invisibility

Unlike sales jobs where you can track performance with numbers—contracts signed, revenue earned—the outcomes of welfare work are subtle and often hidden from view.

#### For example:

The day a once-angry client smiled for the first time, feeling safe

The moment someone with dementia called your name

That final night when a client said, "That's enough now. Thank you."

These shifts of the heart can't be recorded in spreadsheets.

But they are real.

They are signs of life.

And they prove that your presence made a difference in someone's world.

# Can Performance-Based Systems Bring Hope?

Introducing performance-based pay into welfare work has its challenges.

But rather than adopting a strict commission system, there is room to design structures where visible effort is visibly recognized.

## For instance:

Team evaluations based on client satisfaction and progress toward independence

Automatic bonuses for high-burden tasks like bathing assistance, overnight shifts, or end-of-life care (Are current compensation rates truly fair?)

Skill-based pay that reflects advanced certifications or specialized care abilities

(Some workplaces don't even offer this. Perhaps it should be standardized nationwide.)

Such systems could nurture a sense of small, personal pride among workers.

By valuing what can't be measured in numbers through a mix of data and human stories, we can support

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both motivation and visibility.

People Don't Leave Because It's "3K"—They Leave Because It's Not Sustainable

The problem isn't that no one wants to do this work.

It's that people can't keep doing it when they're not supported.

Everyone knows it's important work.

But they don't feel valued in return.

That's why the kindest people are the ones who end up hurt, drained, and eventually silent—as they walk away.

This is the structure we must transform.

#### What FUKU Believes

FUKU believes in creating a society where those who protect kindness are protected in turn.

We need to rethink how systems and evaluations are structured—so that the people who carry others aren't worn down until they break.

If You're Tired Right Now...

If you feel unrecognized, unseen—

Please keep these words close to your heart:

What you do matters.

Your presence is saving lives.

And please never forget:

Kindness is not something only given to others—

It's something you deserve too.

FUKU Philosophy 27: [F.U.K.U.] How to Make FUKU Space-Ready — As an Ethical Design Framework for Extreme Environments

Before We Go to Space, What Must Be Done on Earth?

In recent years, space development has accelerated rapidly. Concepts like Mars colonization and lunar cities, once the stuff of science fiction, are now being seriously explored by private companies.

But every time I encounter such grand visions of the future, I feel compelled to ask:

"Before all that, what must we complete here on Earth?"

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Climate crisis, war, discrimination, mental illness, isolation—

We have yet to offer adequate solutions to these deeply human challenges.

Can we truly transplant human society into space without first addressing the unresolved fractures on our own planet?

FUKU is a framework for designing kindness.

Not as a lofty ideal, but as a practical operational model—something to be embedded into systems, structures, and technologies.

When considering the "space-ready" version of this framework, the first and most crucial principle I must emphasize is this:

Any system that fails on Earth is destined to fail on Mars.

The Prerequisite for Humanity in Space

The most vital requirement for space migration is long-term sustainability.

And that sustainability cannot be achieved through engineering and infrastructure alone.

What's essential is a social structure and a foundation of psychological safety—

A system that allows humans to continue functioning as humans.

The "space adaptation" of FUKU consists of three core design principles.

But first, it's important to make this clear:

If the value of kindness has not yet been fully recognized and implemented on Earth, it will not function on Mars.

# 1. Designing for Coexistence from the Ground Up

Space habitats will bring together people of different nationalities, cultures, values, religions, and upbringings—

All within tight, enclosed environments.

Any system that assumes "everyone will think the same" is extremely fragile under such conditions.

From the FUKU perspective, the following are essential:

Mandatory design for multilingual and non-verbal communication

e.g. standardized gesture systems, gaze-based UI, real-time translation support

(This is not about eliminating certain languages, but about inclusion.)

Conflict Resolution Protocols

- e.g. Structured communication models that prevent emotional escalation and support collaborative
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problem-solving

These models of coexistence are still far from being realized even on Earth.

Look no further than the frictions in multicultural communities and global diplomacy—

Such challenges will only intensify in the confined, high-stakes environment of a Mars colony.

Thus, thoughtful accommodations for "difference" must be built into the structure from the very beginning.

# 2. Infrastructure That Doesn't Treat the Vulnerable as Exceptions

Current space missions still assume participants to be physically and mentally "above average."

But when envisioning long-term civilian migration, such a standard becomes unrealistic.

Those who are chronically ill, disabled, elderly, or grappling with psychological conditions must not be treated as exceptions,

but as part of the default.

And that includes you—

because at any moment, you could become one of those who need support.

# FUKU's approach requires:

Space that absorbs inefficiency

e.g. structural design for wheelchair mobility, sensory sensitivity accommodations, sign language and textbased communication tools

A redefinition of what counts as "contribution"

e.g. Recognizing emotional care, knowledge sharing, and cultural continuity as valid forms of labor—not just physical tasks

This shift in values remains unfinished even on Earth.

Attempting to implement it on Mars from scratch would be impossible.

Unless we redefine kindness here, it will have no foothold there.

# 3. Integrating Algorithms for Emotional and Ethical Self-Maintenance

In long-term enclosed environments, even minor emotional misalignments can escalate into major conflicts, violence, or psychological breakdown.

FUKU does not treat emotion as something to suppress—

but rather as something to structure, support, and maintain.

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Key components include:

Empathetic AI for mental state monitoring and early intervention

e.g. regular self-reflection prompts, emotion journaling, visualizing mood trends over time

Institutional and resource guarantees for emotional caregivers

e.g. Designing psychological support roles not as auxiliary, but as core, irreplaceable systems within the society

Emotional maintenance may not look as cutting-edge as robotics or propulsion systems, but it's arguably the most difficult and least understood challenge of preserving humanity in space. If we cannot manage it here, the same breakdowns will happen on Mars—only more severely.

Kindness that hasn't taken root on Earth cannot be exported to Mars.

The FUKU framework is not an idealistic dream.

It is a practical design requirement for sustaining human society in extreme conditions.

But before it can be adapted for Mars, we must first build a functioning prototype on Earth.

That means:

Treating kindness not as a cost, but as a foundational resource

Transforming weakness into strength through mutual support, not elimination

Designing rules and systems that prevent conflict and enable consensus

Without experimentation, implementation, and shared understanding on Earth, even the most sophisticated spacesuit won't prevent the collapse of human relationships on Mars.

In Closing: FUKU Is a Technology for Re-Engineering Humanity

Space colonization is not a celebration of technology—it is a test of humanity.

It asks whether our ethics, culture, and systems have matured enough to carry us forward.

What FUKU offers is not sentimentality.

It is a blueprint for structured kindness—

A form of social engineering, of mental health design, and of species-level continuity.

Any ethics we fail to master on Earth will simply fail harder on Mars.

That's why I believe FUKU must be completed here,

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as our "year-round training program" for the future.

Well-

Maybe it's only a matter of time.

FUKU Philosophy 28: [F.U.K.U.] Pain Is Best Avoided — Why Understanding Pain Matters in Designing Kindness

I have never once wished for anyone to feel pain.

In fact, I genuinely believe the world would be better if pain did not exist at all. Life, if possible, should unfold gently—ending without a single moment of heartbreak would be far more ideal.

And yet, within the framework of F.U.K.U, I often write that "designing kindness requires an understanding of pain."

That's because I believe that sometimes, only those who have known pain can begin to see the true shape of kindness.

Pain Holds a Quiet Kind of Perspective

The sorrow of being misunderstood.

The night when asking for help felt impossible.

Tears that slipped by, unnoticed by anyone.

People who carry such memories often possess a sensitivity—an ability to perceive the silent suffering and wordless discomfort in others before anyone else notices.

That's why I believe we should listen more carefully to those who have known pain.

If we are to build kindness into systems, then the first voices we should consult are those who have quietly cried just beyond the edges of those systems.

But Pain Should Never Be Prescribed

Let me be clear: I do not believe that everyone should go through pain.

Quite the opposite.

There is hope in a world where pain can be avoided—a future where no one needs to suffer.

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That is the true wish behind F.U.K.U.

A world where only those who have suffered can understand kindness—that would be unbearably tragic.

So I want to gradually design a form of kindness that can be imagined—even without having experienced pain.

Through technology, education, and culture, I believe it can be done.

To Quietly Raise the Baseline of Human Happiness

What I ultimately hope for is a society in which the overall happiness of humanity is gently lifted.

Where those who can perceive pain use their sensitivity to kindle small lights of kindness.

And those who have not known pain receive those lights—understanding them, and becoming kind in turn.

If that's possible, maybe no one will have to be hurt anymore.

Because expressing pain is not the same as spreading pain.

In Closing

F.U.K.U is not a philosophy founded on pain.

It's a philosophy about what can be seen through pain—and how to pass that on to the future.

And if that future contains even a little less pain, then I believe that would be the greatest proof of kindness.

So I have one request for you, reading this now.

If you have not yet experienced pain—please, stay as you are.

And if you have known pain in the past—I would be grateful if you could share your voice.

I've created a space for conversation on Discord.

Because I believe that kindness isn't born only from pain—it also grows from the ability to imagine pain.

- -Yutaka Yoshioka
- Abbreviations and Terminology
- FUKU (Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding)

The central concept of the FUKU framework.

Literal translation: A union for the future, grounded in kindness and understanding.

FUKU redefines kindness not as a "feeling," but as a structure—a conceptual tool for embedding kindness

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into code, systems, and UI design.

Its purpose is to reconstruct "kindness that doesn't rely on personality" into a repeatable, implementable design unit.

## · FUKU Framework

A design philosophy aimed at embedding kindness directly into the foundations of society—not as an afterthought.

It focuses on structurally designing systems, UX, language, and support pathways so that those who "cannot speak up," "cannot ask for help," or "are often misunderstood" are not excluded.

#### · FUKU License

An ethical licensing proposal for kindness-based designs (e.g., code, UX, systems), enabling free reuse and redistribution.

Inspired by open-source principles, it allows for respectful modification and redistribution of designs built upon the voices of lived experience.

Its goal is to prevent the privatization of kindness, making sure that support given to one person can benefit others too.

# Structuring Kindness

The act of designing kindness into systems so that it functions without relying on "kind" individuals. Examples:

UI that "speaks" even when the user is silent

Systems that allow users to "recover from mistakes"

Dialogue spaces where one won't be excluded for lacking empathy

# · Co-Design

A design approach that works with people who are directly affected.

Rather than creating systems "from above," it treats the lived experiences and voices of those struggling as key design material.

A keyword that reflects designing "not from goodwill, but from dialogue."

## • The Power to Be Wrong

A core human premise emphasized in the FUKU framework.

The capacity to build systems based on the idea that people can "make mistakes and still recover." It aims to counter the "violence of correctness" and cultivate structures that are forgiving of errors.

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## · The Freedom Not to Be Understood

A philosophy that rejects the notion that failing to empathize is inherently wrong—and instead designs for the choice to remain together anyway.

It starts from the premise that not all people can understand each other, and aims to build "structures where relationships can persist even without full mutual understanding."

## · Designing for Ambiguity

A FUKU design principle especially relevant in education.

It creates systems that allow for "unexpected growth," "emotional fluctuation," or "periods of stagnation" in children and learners.

Rather than enforcing standardized evaluations, it supports flexibility and accommodates changes as part of natural development.

# Kindness by Design

A concept that runs through the entire FUKU framework.

Kindness is neither prayer nor personality—it is a designable function.

Whether through UX, policies, language, or behavioral flows, the act of anticipating someone's pain and designing accordingly is seen as the purest form of kindness.

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Experiences, narratives, or information-sharing tools created for those who struggle to receive empathy, support, or understanding

Any expressive work, guideline, or navigational design aligned with the philosophy of "structural kindness"

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The FUKU License is not a tool for perfection—it celebrates the act of offering incomplete kindness.

By publishing this license, we hope to nurture a culture where kindness is never monopolized, but instead continuously shared and evolved.

**Postscript** 

At present, FUKU carries two interpretations:

Futurable Union for Kindness & Understanding

Functional Universal Kindness Unit

This reflects the nature of structural kindness as a continuously evolving philosophy.

New interpretations may emerge in the future—and that, in itself, is proof that FUKU is a form of open kindness.

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