

City Office Notices

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Unless stated otherwise, services and websites etc. are likely to be provided only in Japanese.

For the latest English information on COVID-19 in Hiroshima City, including case numbers and social welfare, there is a dedicated [area](#) of the City of Hiroshima website.



September 1, 2020

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City investment in Japanese as a second language

日本語教育の充実に取り組みます(P3)

At the end of July, around 20,000 non-Japanese residents were living in Hiroshima City.

To equip residents with the Japanese language skills needed to live in the community, the City has adopted the City of Hiroshima Plan for Promotion of Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language (*Hiroshima Shi Nihongo Kyōiku Suishin Keikaku*).

The Plan aims to achieve the following goals for foreign residents (aged mainly 18 and above) by 2024:

- 1) Create a system to promote teaching Japanese as a foreign language
- 2) Provide information for learners of Japanese
- 3) Improve opportunities to learn Japanese
- 4) Cultivate Japanese teaching talent and support community classes
- 5) Work together with local communities

Brand new Japanese Language Education Coordinator

As part of efforts to realize the Promotion Plan, a **Japanese Language Education Coordinator** has been hired, with experience of teaching Japanese both in Japan and abroad.

The Coordinator will provide advice to volunteer groups that teach Japanese in the community, and work together with companies and educational establishments with foreign workers and students.

? City Hall Human Rights Outreach Division (*Jinken Keihatsu Ka*)

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Beginner Japanese Class!

 Tuesdays and Fridays from September 29 to December 15 (24 classes)

 For details, check out the website of the Peace Culture Foundation International Relations and Cooperation Division

 **Peace Culture Foundation International Relations and Cooperation Division** (*Heiwa Bunka Sentā Kokusai Kōryū Kyōryoku Ka*)

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Ambulance Day

必要とする人のもとへ(P1)

September 9 is Ambulance Day in Japan. Are you using ambulances appropriately?

For people who really need them

Ambulance trips have increased in recent years. Last fiscal year, 42% of people who had ambulance rides actually had light symptoms and did not need to go to hospital.

Sasaki Yasuhiro, who works at the office responsible for taking 119 ambulance calls, asks for the public's cooperation:

“Some people can't judge for themselves whether their symptoms are light, so they call an ambulance.

However, if you know that there is no obvious threat to life, you should not call 119 but call #7119 for advice.

Please use ambulances appropriately, so that we can quickly get them to people whose lives are in danger.”

Note: While 119 can take calls in multiple languages, #7119 is Japanese only

If in doubt, call #7119

If you don't know whether to call an ambulance over a sudden illness or an injury, call #7119.

A nurse will ask you about your symptoms. After judging the seriousness, they will call you an ambulance, tell you about nearby hospitals, or advise you on first aid.

Lines are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

If you can't get through, call 246-2000.

Inappropriate reasons to call 119

Ambulances numbers are limited. Do not ask for one without thinking.

- You don't know what hospital to go to
- You want to get priority treatment
- The clinic you want to go to is closed
- It's free
- You don't have a means of transport


When you should definitely call 119

- Sudden intense headache or high temperature
- Light-headedness to the extent of being unable to stand
- Suddenly being short of breath or having difficulty breathing
- Sudden numbness in arms and legs, sudden weakness in the arm or leg on one side
- Difficulty moving or numbness in one half of the face
- Difficulty speaking
- Blood in vomit, stools, or urine
- Loss of vision, suddenly seeing double
- Seeming obviously unwell (pale etc.)
- Pain in the chest or back that moves
- Sudden intense pain in the chest or back
- Stomach pain to an extent not experienced before

If you think you have COVID-19

If you experience fever, coughing, extreme sluggishness, or loss of taste or smell, do not go to work or school. Contact your regular doctor or the call center below.


Hiroshima City COVID-19 Call Center


 241-4566



Fire Services Bureau Ambulance Services Division


(*Shōbō Kyoku Kyūkyū Ka*)


 546-3461

 249-1160

For questions about the call center that takes #7119 calls, contact:

Health and Welfare Bureau Medical Services Policy Division (*Kenkō Fukushi Kyoku Iryō Taisaku Ka*)



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National census

国勢調査にご協力を(P2)

The national census is carried out in Japan once every 5 years to learn about the current state of the population and of each household.

2020 is the 100th anniversary of the census.

The results will be put to use in various fields by national and local governments, individuals, and companies.

Starting September 14, census workers will visit homes

Census workers, who have ID to prove who they are, will visit every household and distribute documents needed to answer the census.

You can fill in the census online (any time before October 7) or on paper (by post or by giving it to the census worker, between October 1 and October 7).

For the 2020 census, as a COVID-19 measure, workers will explain the census via intercoms and leave the documents in postboxes.

Strict privacy protection

Census workers and other people involved in the national census are bound by the Statistics Act to strict secrecy.

What you write on the census form will not be used for anything other than statistics-related purposes.

Watch out for scams

Be wary of suspicious visits, phone calls or emails from people pretending to be census workers.

The census does not involve any requests for money or possessions at all.

It also does not involve any questions about your bank balance, salary, etc.

? Your ward office's **Community Coordination Division** (*Kusei Chōsei Ka*)


Ward	
Naka	504-2543
Higashi	568-7703
Minami	250-8933
Nishi	532-0925
Asaminami	831-4927
Asakita	819-3962
Aki	821-4903
Saeki	943-9703

Sale of City-owned land

市有地を販売します (P5)

The City of Hiroshima will sell 12 plots of land. Both individuals and organizations can bid.

Bidding day

 Depending on the plot, September 16 (Wed.) or 17 (Thu.)

You can find details of the plots, such as addresses and minimum bids (estimated prices), in ward and branch offices, on fliers and on the City of Hiroshima website.

? **Property Administration Division** (*Kanzai Ka*)

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