

# Hiroshima NOW

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**From the City of Hiroshima****Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Cost of Living**

広島市からのお知らせ：価格高騰重点支援給付金

As a general measure to help with the cost of living, the City of Hiroshima will provide financial aid for low-income households (those exempt from residents tax) that are particularly impacted by the increase in financial burden due to rising cost of living.

For more information about the benefit, including who is eligible to receive it and how to apply, please visit the Hiroshima City's official website:  
<https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/site/english/308467.html>

**Eligible households:****Category A**

Households with a residence record in Hiroshima City in which all members are exempt from the 2023 *kintō wari* (flat rate) per capita residents tax as of the reference date (December 1, 2023).

**Category B**

Households with a residence record in Hiroshima City in which all members are exempt from the 2023 income-based *shotoku wari* (rate based on your income from the previous year) residents tax as of the reference date (December 1, 2023).

👉 **Please note it is not possible to receive multiple payments.**

<b>Category A</b>	Households with a residence record in Hiroshima City in which all members are exempt from the 2023 <i>kintō wari</i> (flat rate) per capita residents tax as of the reference date (December 1, 2023).
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**Amount to be provided**

70,000 yen per household

**Application deadline**

May 31 (Friday), 2024 (must be postmarked by this date)

Note: the deadline for additional funds for newborns (born on or after December 2, 2023) is August 30, 2024 (Fri) (must be postmarked by this date).

**How to apply:**

- (a) For households that qualified for and received the previous Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Costs of Electricity, Gas, and Food (30,000 yen per household):
- The City of Hiroshima has sent a notice to you with information such as the bank account the money will be deposited into and the date of deposit. Please be sure to read it carefully. If there are no issues with the information, then you do not need to submit any paperwork for this benefit.
  - The cash benefits were deposited into the bank accounts of the eligible households on either December 27, 2023, or January 23, 2024.
  - The application period for the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Cost of Electricity, Gas, and Food (30,000 yen per household) ended on September 29, 2023.
- (b) For households exempt from kintō wari (flat rate) per capita residents tax known to the City of Hiroshima other than (a)
- The City of Hiroshima will mail an application to you. Please fill out the paperwork and return them via the stamped and addressed return envelope included in the packet. (Applications have been sent as of December 22, 2023.)
- (c) For households exempt from kintō wari (flat rate) per capita residents tax unknown to the City of Hiroshima

**Examples of these households include:**

Those without tax information in Hiroshima City (for reasons such as moving to Hiroshima City on or after January 2, 2023) or those who have become exempt from per capita residents tax due to an amended tax return.

- In order to receive the benefit, you must submit an application.
- Please print the application form (located below), fill in the necessary information, and send them along with additional necessary documents to the City of Hiroshima Office for the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Cost of Living.
- For more information, please consult with the City of Hiroshima Office for the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Costs of Living (Tel: 082-569-4504)

**Application form (PDF)**

Print the application form (PDF) from the City's official website (Japanese):

<https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/soshiki/54/325599.html>



Application Form (PDF) :

[https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/uploaded/life/369390\\_793529\\_misc.pdf](https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/uploaded/life/369390_793529_misc.pdf)



**Where to send applications**

〒730-8712  
 広島中央郵便局私書箱第100号  
 広島市役所健康福祉局健康福祉企画課  
 広島市価格高騰重点支援給付金事務処理センター

City of Hiroshima Office for the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Costs of Living  
 Health and Welfare Planning Division,  
 Health and Welfare Bureau  
 City of Hiroshima  
 Hiroshima Central Post Office PO Box 100  
 730-8712

<b>Category B</b>	Households with a residence record in Hiroshima City in which all members are exempt from the 2023 income-based <u>shotoku wari</u> (rate based on your income from the previous year) residents tax as of the reference date (December 1, 2023).
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**Amount to be provided**

100,000 yen per household

**Application deadline**

May 31 (Friday), 2024 (must be postmarked by this date)

Note: the deadline for additional funds for newborns (born on or after December 2, 2023) is August 30, 2024 (Fri) (must be postmarked by this date)

**How to apply**

- (a) For households exempt from income-based shotoku wari residents tax known to the City of Hiroshima
- The City of Hiroshima will mail an application to you. Please fill out the paperwork and return them via the stamped and addressed return envelope included in the packet. (Applications have been sent as of February 6, 2024)
- (b) For households exempt from income-based shotoku wari residents tax unknown to the City of Hiroshima
- An example of these households includes those without tax information in Hiroshima City (for reasons such as moving to Hiroshima City on or after January 2, 2023) or those who have become exempt from per income-based residents tax due to an amended tax return.
- In order to receive the benefit, you must submit an application.

- Please print the application form (located below), fill in the necessary information, and send them along with additional necessary documents to the City of Hiroshima Office for the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Cost of Living.
- For more information, please consult with the City of Hiroshima Office for the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Costs of Living (Tel: 082-569-4504).

### **Application form (PDF)**

Print the application form (PDF) from the City's official website (Japanese):

<https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/soshiki/54/366743.html>

Application form (PDF)

[https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/uploaded/life/372355\\_804453\\_misc.pdf](https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/uploaded/life/372355_804453_misc.pdf)



### **Where to send applications**

〒730-8712

広島中央郵便局私書箱第100号

広島市役所健康福祉局健康福祉企画課

広島市価格高騰重点支援給付金事務処理センター

City of Hiroshima Office for the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Costs of Living  
Health and Welfare Planning Division,  
Health and Welfare Bureau  
City of Hiroshima  
Hiroshima Central Post Office PO Box 100  
730-8712

### **Additional funds for households with children**

If the eligible households listed above have children who meet the criteria, they will be provided with an additional 50,000 yen per child under the age of 18 at the time of the reference date (December 1, 2023). For details including criteria and how to apply, please inquire to the City of Hiroshima Office for the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Costs of Living.

Note: "child" refers to children born on or after April 2, 2005 (eligible until March 31 after the child's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday)

### **Support centers**

- ☀️ If you have any questions or concerns about the benefit (for example, you have not received it even though you are exempt from residents tax, or how to tell if you are qualified, how to apply, etc.), please call the following number:

**City of Hiroshima Office for the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Cost of Living**

**Tel:** 082-569-4504 // **Fax:** 082-569-4507

Hours: 9 am-5:15 pm

Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays

 If you are not confident in your Japanese, please contact the office below:

**Hiroshima City & Aki County International Resident Consultation Service**

**Tel:** 082-241-5010

Hours of operation: Monday to Friday 9 am-4 pm

Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, August 6 and December 29-January 3

Available languages: Japanese, English, Chinese, Spanish, Portuguese, Vietnamese, Filipino

Note: Filipino is available on Fridays and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays.