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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 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 <u>shotoku wari</u> (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.

# 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).

#### Amount to be provided

70,000 yen per household

#### **Application deadline**

Friday, May 31, 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).

📌 For details, including information on how to apply, please refer to the City's official website or our website:

### The City of Hiroshima's official website:

https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/site/english/308467.html

Hiroshima Peace Culture Foundation, City Diversity & Inclusion Division: https://h-ircd.jp/en/news-en/cash-benefit-to-help-with-the-rising-cost-of-living.html

Households with a residence record in Hiroshima City in which all mo 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

# Category B

# Amount to be provided

100,000 yen per household

### **Application deadline**

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#### 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 at 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 (Mon-Fri)

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 E-mail: soudan@pcf.city.hiroshima.jp

Hours: 9 am-4 pm (Mon-Fri)

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

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

Note: Consultation for Filipino is available on Fridays and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month.