

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

広島市価格高騰重点支援給付金について 「ひろしま市民と市政」 8月1日号 (P3)

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.

Eligibility**Category A**

Households with a residence record in Hiroshima City in which all members are exempt from the 2024 *kintō wari* (flat rate) per capita residents tax as of the reference date (June 3, 2024)

Category B

Households with a residence record in Hiroshima City in which all members are exempt from the 2024 income-based *shotoku wari* (rate based on your income from the previous year) residents tax as of the reference date (June 3, 2024) other than Category A.

👉 Even if your household meet the above qualifications, you will be ineligible for the benefit if you fall under the following conditions:

- If you have a household member who is not residents tax exempt
- If all members of the household are dependents of a sustainer who is not residents tax exempt
- If you have already received the 2023 fiscal year's benefit under the Cash Benefit to Help with the Rising Costs of Electricity, Gas, and Food (for 70,000 yen; 100,000 yen or additional funds for children (50,000 yen each))

Note: Those who were qualified for the 2023 fiscal year's benefit (for 70,000 yen; 100,000 yen or additional funds for children (50,000 yen each)) but did not receive the benefit are ineligible for the 2024 fiscal year benefit.

👉 For more information about the benefit, including who is eligible to receive it and how to apply, please inquire at the call center (Tel. 082-569-4504) or visit the Hiroshima City's official website (in Japanese): <https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/soshiki/54/384015.html>

**Amount to be provided**

100,000 yen per household

Application deadline

October 31 (Thursday), 2024 (must be postmarked by this date)

How to apply

- For households that fall under either Category A or B
The City of Hiroshima has sent a Payment Confirmation Form (確認書// *Kakunin-sho*) to households that fall under either Category A or B mentioned above in July. Please be sure to read it carefully, and apply it according to the instruction.
- If you belong to an eligible household listed above and have not received any notification from the City of Hiroshima, please inquire at the City of Hiroshima's office for the benefit.
In order to receive the benefit, you must submit an application.

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, 2024
- Those who have become exempt from per capita residents tax due to an amended tax return.

Additional funds for households with children

If the eligible households listed above have a child/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 (June 3, 2024). 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.

【Criteria for children】

- Member of the household and 18 years or younger at the time of the reference date (June 3, 2024)
Note: "child" refers to children born on or after April 2, 2006
- Child (new born) born on or sometime between June 4, 2024 and October 31, 2024
Note: You must apply by the deadline (October 31, 2024)

Support centers

For more information about the benefit, please visit the Hiroshima City's official website:
<https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/soshiki/54/384015.html> (in Japanese)



- ☀ 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

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, Chinese, English, Filipino, Portuguese, Spanish, Vietnamese

Note: Filipino is available on Fridays and the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month.