



Living Guide for Foreign Residents

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① Resident Registration for Non-Japanese residing in Honjo



For inquiries:

Civic Affairs Division(Shimin-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1113

Civic Affairs and Welfare Division(Shimin fukushi-ka),

Kodama General Branch ☎ 0495-72-1333

1 Resident registration for non-Japanese

Non-Japanese residents who meet either condition below are also covered by Basic Resident Register System in the same way as the Japanese residents. By completing resident registration, they are eligible to receive the services provided by Honjo City.

- ① medium- to long-term resident living in Japan for over months
- ② Special Permanent Resident
- ③ person granted permission for temporary refuge or provisional stay
- ④ person staying in Japan due to birth or loss of nationality

2 Address Change

When you change your residential address, you must go to the city office to complete the notification procedure. In case you are unable to do it yourself, you must write a letter of attorney and send the attorney with the letter.

○ Moving into Honjo

When you move into Honjo City from a foreign country or other city or town in Japan, you must complete the moving-in notification procedure at the city office within 14 days from the moving date.

< Moving in from a foreign country >

Please bring the following documents.

- ① Residence Card(Zairyu card) or Special Permanent Resident Certificate
- ② passport

- ③ marriage certificate, birth certificate, or an official document that proves parent-child or marital relationship
 - ✧ In case the official document is written in a foreign language, its Japanese translation is required to be attached.

< Moving in from other city or town in Japan >

Please bring the following documents.

- ① moving-out certificate or Individual Number (My Number) Card issued by the city or town of your previous address
- ② the notification card of Individual Number in case you do not have Individual Number Card
- ③ Residence Card or Special Permanent Resident Certificate

○ Notification of Address Change

When you change your address within Honjo City, you must notify it of the City as well. Please complete the procedure at the city office within 14 days from the date of change.

〈Required documents〉

- ① Residence Card or Special Permanent Resident Certificate
- ② Individual Number Card or the notification card of Individual Number Card

○ Moving out of Honjo

When you move out of Honjo City to other city or town in Japan, you must complete the procedure and receive the certificate of moving out at the city office.

The certificate of moving out issued by Honjo City must be handed in to the municipal office of your new address.

〈Required documents〉

- ① Residence Card or Special Permanent Resident Certificate
- ② Individual Number Card

○ Change in household members or their status

In case of a change in household members or their status, please complete the procedure at the city office within 14 days from the date of change.

〈Required documents〉

- ① Residence Card or Special Permanent Resident Certificate
- ② marriage certificate, birth certificate, or an official document that proves parent-child or marital relationship
- ※ In case the official document is written in a foreign language, its Japanese translation is required to be attached.

3 Certificate of residence (Juminhyo)

When you need to obtain a copy of the certificate of residence, you yourself or your household member can apply for it at the city office.

〈Required document〉

Resident Card, etc

4 Other information

○ Residence Card

For renewing Residence card, please go to either Immigration Services Agency of Japan as below.

■ Tokyo Regional Immigration Services Bureau

Saitama Branch office

5-12-1, Shimo ochiai, Chuo-ku, Saitama-shi, Saitama 338-0002

First floor, Saitama Legal General Government building

T 048-851-967

■ Tokyo Regional Immigration Services Bureau

Takasaki Branch office

26-5, Takamatsu-cho, Takasaki-shi, Gunma 370-0829

First floor, Takasaki Legal Compliance office building

T 027-328-1154

○ Special Permanent Resident Certificate

For updating Special Permanent Resident Certificate, please go to the city office. Please contact Civil Affairs Division, Honjo City Hall or Immigration Services Agency of Japan for further details and required documents.

②Obtaining certificates on Saturday/Sunday/national holiday

For inquiries:

○Residential certificate (Juminhyo), or seal registration-related certificates(Inkan-Toroku-Shomei-syo)

Civic Affairs Division (Shimin-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1113

Civic Affairs and Welfare Division (Shimin fukushi-ka), Kodama General Branch ☎ 0495-72-1333

○Tax-related certificates

Taxiation Division (Kazei-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1122

Civic Affairs and Welfare Division, Kodama General Branch

☎ 0495-72-1333



A copy of the certificates above can be obtained on Saturday, Sunday, or national holiday as well. Please contact the division in charge listed above, and make a reservation.

How to make a reservation

Call the division in charge during office hours (8:30-17:15) on weekday, and make a reservation by giving them the following details. Resevation should be made one-to-five days before the date you wish to receive the copy. If you wish to receive the copy at Honjo City Hall, call the Honjo office. To receive it at Kodama branch, please call the Kodama office.

- ① Your name, address, date of birth, and phone number
- ② detailed information on the certificate you need (i.e. type of residential certificate, your seal registration number, type of tax-related certificate)
- ③ Time and date you wish to receive it at the city office

When/Where to receive

Please visit the control room of Honjo City Hall, or Kodama General Branch between 8:30am and 5:15pm (excluding noon-1:00pm).

③ Individual Number Card System (My Number)



For inquiries:

Civic Affairs Division (Shimin-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1113

Civic Affairs and Welfare Division (Shimin fukushi-ka),

Kodama General Branch ☎ 0495-72-1333

Japanese Individual Number System has been adopted in October, 2015. Unique twelve-digit number is assigned to an individual residing in Japan including non-Japanese residents. Individual Number (My Number) is important as it is required when you complete tax or social insurance procedures at various spots including your workplace, bank, post office, city hall.

Notification card

The notification card of Individual Number includes your name, address, date of birth, gender, and individual number. As this is an important document, please do not lose it. If your name or address is changed, please bring the following documents and complete the procedure at the city office.

- ① Notification card of Individual Number
- ② Your ID card (One card is sufficient if it carries your photo on it. Otherwise, two different cards are required.)

Individual Number Card

Individual Number Card is a plastic card with an IC chip embedded. Your name, address, date of birth, gender, individual number, and your face photo are included in the card. It can be used as your identity card. If your name or address is changed, please bring the following documents and complete the procedure at the city office.

· How to apply for Individual Number Card

Application can be filed by postal mail or online by using a personal computer or smartphone.

- How to receive your Individual Number Card

A grant notification from Honjo City will be sent by post.
Please go to the designated place written in the notification to receive the card.

The card can not be issued on the same day as the application.
Please contact Civic Affairs Division, Honjo City Hall or Civic Affairs and Welfare Division, Kodama General Branch for details including the required documents or commission fees.

※Caution

Individual Number is important as it proves your identity.
Please protect your number from an abuse or crime.

For inquiries:

Individual Number (My Number) Section, Civic Affairs Division,
Honjo City Hall

T 0495-25-1246

Office hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-5:15pm

④ Taxes

For inquiries:

○ About tax amount or taxation

Taxation Division (Kazei-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1122

Civic Affairs and Welfare Division (Shimin fukushi-ka),
Kodama General Branch ☎ 0495-72-1333

○ About tax payment or consultation

Tax Collection Division (Shuno-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1120

Civic Affairs and Welfare Division (Shimin fukushi-ka),
Kodama General Branch ☎ 0495-72-1333



1 Civil life and taxes

Non-Japanese residents in Japan are eligible to receive various public services provided by the city or town they live in the same way as the Japanese residents.

Therefore, all the citizens are obligated to pay local taxes including resident tax, property tax, city-planning tax, and light vehicle tax (if you own a property or light vehicle). Also, when you and your family receive a medical examination or treatment at a hospital, the expense will partially be covered by National Health Insurance.

After receiving the payment slip of taxes, please make sure to complete all the payments before due dates. If anything is unclear, please consult with the city office earlier. Non-Japanese residents are eligible to receive public services provided by local government just as the Japanese residents are. The services are supported the tax revenue that you are required to pay. Again, the right to receive public services are guaranteed for both Japanese and non-Japanese residents in Japan. And both Japanese and non-Japanese residents must fulfill their obligations including tax liability. If you are neglect to pay taxes without receiving a public consultation provided by the city office, the local government must take a strong action to collect unpaid taxes.

2 Tax collection

■ Taxes collected by the city

① Resident Tax

Imposed on the income of both company-employed and self-employed residents

② Property Tax/City-Planning Tax

Imposed on an ownership of a land, house, or building in Honjo

③ Light Vehicle Tax

Imposed on an ownership of a motorcycle or light vehicle

■ Collection places

Commercial bank, Shinyokinko bank, Credit union, Labor bank, Agricultural cooperative, Postal savings bank (Yucho bank), Post office, Convenience store

Tax Collection Division (Shuno-ka), first floor, Honjo City Hall

Civic Affairs and Welfare Division, Aspia, Kodama General Branch

[Outside hour payment / payment consultation]



At the following divisions of the city office, tax payment can be completed between 5:15pm and 7:00pm for designated days each month (please check the schedule at the city office).

○Tax Collection Division (Shuno-ka), Honjo City Hall

○Civic Affairs and Welfare Division (Shimin fukushi-ka), Kodama General Branch

Tax Collection Division, Honjo City Hall opens for 8:30am-7:00pm for the last Sunday each month as well.

※Note

English or other foreign language speaking staff is not available outside hours. Please bring your interpreter if needed.

⑤ National Health Insurance (NHI)



For inquiries:

Insurance Division (Hoken-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1116
Civic Affairs and Welfare Division (Shimin fukushi-ka), Kodama
General Branch ☎ 0495-72-1333

1 Two types of public medical insurance programs

- A: Employee's Health Insurance for company employees and their families
 - B: National Health Insurance operated by local governments for those who are not eligible to type A above
- ※ All residents in Japan are enrolled in either program. Otherwise, you have to pay full amount of your medical expense as it will not be covered by the insurance.

2 Eligibility for National Health Insurance

Non-Japanese registered residents who reside in Honjo City for three months or longer are required to enroll in National Health Insurance.

3 Enrollment/Withdrawal of National Health Insurance

When you move into Honjo City or withdraw from Employee's Health Insurance, you must enroll in National Health Insurance. Please complete the procedure at the city office within 14 days from the date of those events occur. In case of the withdrawal from Employee's Health Insurance, please bring the release letter or resignation certificate issued from the company you worked for.

<How to use National Health Insurance Card>

Please show the Card at a hospital or clinic where you receive medial treatment, and pay deducted amout of your medical expense as it is partially covered by the insurance.

When you move out of Honjo City, or enroll in Employee's Health Insurance, your National Health Insurance will automatically be expired. Please return the card to the city office.

4 National Health Insurance Tax

The insured of National Health Insurance are obligated to pay National Health Insurance Tax. The payment slip is delivered under the name of the head of a household.

※The head of the household is responsible to pay the NHI tax when a household member is NHI-insured even if the head is not NHI-insured.

The tax amount is calculated based on the household circumstances including the previous year's income of the insured, property tax, and the number of NHI-insured members in a household.

If you neglect to pay the NHI tax, you will not be able to receive the insurance coverage or benefits of NHI.

Please refer to "Taxes and Tax Payment" in this booklet for the payment procedure.

5 Benefits of National Health Insurance

① Subsidy for medical checkup

For the NHI-insured aged 35 or older who have been enrolled in NHI for 6 consecutive months or longer without failing to pay the NHI tax, the medical checkup will partially be subsidized.

② Child birth allowance

When a NHI-insured person gives a birth, the child birth allowance will be paid to the person.

※The allowance will not be paid from NHI if it is paid from Employee's Health Insurance.

③ Funeral allowance

When a NHI-insured person dies, the allowance will be paid to the host of the funeral.

※The allowance will not be paid from NHI if it is paid from Employee's Health Insurance.

6 Health promotion project (Hanipon Challenge)

Lectures or workshops to support citizens' health (so called Hanipon Challenge) are arranged. Challenge points will be given to the citizens who join those lectures or workshops, or receive medical checkups. Accumulated points can be redeemed to a gift item.

7 Subsidy for high medical expense

If your medical expense paid to the same hospital/clinic for one month exceeds the amount designated based on your income, the exceeded amount will be reimbursed.

If you are subject to the reimbursement, you will receive a letter for its application. The letter will be sent 3-4 months after your payment at the hospital/clinic.

If the medical expense is too high due to a hospitalization or other reasons, please consult with Insurance Division (Hoken-ka), Honjo City Hall to receive the certification of ceiling amount.

⑥National Pension



For inquiries:

Civic Affairs Division (Shimin-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1114
Civic Affairs and Welfare Division (Shimin fukushi-ka), Kodama General Branch ☎ 0495-72-1333

National Pension is one of the social security systems that supports the elderly especially when they have become physically challenged or lost their families.

Registered residents aged between 20 and 59 are required to enroll in National Pension and to pay its premiums. When you visit the city office for the resident registration procedure for example, please complete the enrollment procedures of National Pension as well. (Your passport is required for the procedure.)

If you have paid pension premiums and are to leave Japan with no intention of returning, you could receive either premium reimbursement or withdrawal lump-sum. Please check it with National Pension Division(Shimin-ka) of the city office.

※ If you have been enrolled in Employees' Pension, you do not need to join National Pension.

⑦ Long-Term Care Insurance (Kaigo Hoken)



For inquires:

Long-Term Care Insurance Division (Kaigo hoken-ka), Honjo City Hall

☎ 0495-25-1719

Civic Affairs and Welfare Division (Shimin fukushi-ka), Kodama General Branch

☎ 0495-72-1333

1 What is Long-Term Care Insurance (LTCI)?

Long-Term Care Insurance is a system to assist the elderly who are physically challenged and need help with their everyday activities. Through LTCI, the elderly are supported by entire society besides their families, and citizens' anxiety from aging would be reduced. People aged 40 or older are required to enroll in this

2 Eligibility for receiving LTCI benefit

In order to receive the benefit of LTCI, the eligibility of the insured needs to be certified. Eligibilities are as follows.

- ① persons aged 65 or older who are physical challenged, and have difficulties in everyday activities of daily living
- ② persons aged between 40 and 64 who suffer from one of the 16 approved diseases

3 LTCI for non-Japanese residents

Registered non-Japanese residents residing in Honjo City for 3 months or longer are require to enroll in LTCI. Even if their residing period is less than 3 months, they could enroll in LTCI if they are expected to reside in Honjo for 3 months or longer according to their purpose of stay or other reasons. If your address or name is changed after being enrolled in LTCI, please bring the LTCI card to the city office and complete updating procedure.

⑧Health Checkup/Consultation, Vaccination



For inquiries:
Honjo-Shi Hoken-center

☎ 0495-24-2003

1 Children's health

- When you get pregnant, please receive Maternal and Child Health Handbook (Boshi techo) at the following divisions of the city office.
 - Civic Affairs Division (Shimin-ka), first floor, Honjo City Hall
 - Health Promotion Division (Kenko suishin-ka), Honjo City Health Center
 - Civic Affairs and Welfare Division (Shimin fukushi-ka)
- Services to promote children's health
 - Baby-care consultation
Public health nurses and nutritionists are available for various consultations on baby care or food.
 - Health checkup/vaccination for babies
 - < Checkup and consultation >
 - ① Health checkup: for babies aged 3-4 months, 18 months, and 3 years
Health consultation: for babies aged 9-10 months, and 2 years
 - ※ Information letter on health checkup and consultation will be sent to you one month before your child reaches designated ages above.
 - < Vaccinations at a hospital >
 - ※ A form for vaccination will be provided by a city official. Please fill it out and bring it to a hospital.

2 Adults' health

- Health checkup, medical examination and health consultation
Please check the Honjo City's information letter or website for details about the health checkup or medical examination.

< Medical examinations >

Lung cancer, Tuberculosis, Gastric cancer risk, Chest X-ray, Gastric cancer, Colorectal cancer, Uterine cancer, Breast cancer, Prostate cancer, Periodontal disease, etc.

The expense for one of the examinations above per person per year will be subsidized by the city.

⑨ Garbage disposal



For inquiries:

Environmental Enhancement Division (Kankyo suishin-ka),

Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1172

Environmental Industry Division (Kankyo sangyo-ka),

Kodama General Branch ☎ 0495-72-1334

Household garbage and trash are divided into categories including "Burnable", "Unburnable", and "Harmful". Please put them out according to the rules of time (Honjo area: by 8:30am, Kodama area: by 8:00am), date, and place.

For the burnable and unburnable, please put them into a "city-approved garbage bag".

※ City-approved garbage bags are available at supermarkets and convenience stores in the city.

Please check the collection dates with the "household garbage collection dates" section of Honjo City's website,

1 Burnable garbage

[Please put it into a city-approved bag, and put out to the designated collection site.]

· food waste, plastics (trays, packs, music CDs, shampoo containers etc.), leather goods (bags, shoes, etc.)

※ Please drain the liquid of the food waste for disposal.

※ Something long like tree branches should be cut into about 25cm long so that they can be put into a city-approved bag.

2 Unburnable garbage

[Please put it into a city-approved bag, and put out to the designated collection site.]

· metal products (pots, kettles, frying pans, etc.), tablewares, cutleries (scissors, shavers, etc.), mirrors, light bulbs (non mercurial), etc.

※ For the cutlery, please wrap its cutting edge with a thick paper for disposal as it is dangerous.

3 Harmful garbage

[Please put it into a bag or box as there is no city-approved bags available.]

- batteries, mercury-containing products (fluorescent tubes, bulbs, thermometers, blood pressure monitors, etc.)
- ※ Please wrap a fluorescent tube or thermometer with a thick paper for disposal as it is dangerous when it breaks.

4 Recyclable waste

[Please put it into the designated collection box placed at the collection site.]

- PET bottles, cans (of a beverage, spray, confectionary, etc.), bottles (of a beer, dressing, jam, etc.)
- ※ When disposing of PET bottles, cans, glass bottles, please rinse them quickly.
- ※ Spray cans should be pierced to release the gas and prevent ruptures.
- ※ Rusted cans, broken bottles, and dirty cans/bottles are not recyclable. Please put them out as the unburnable waste.
- ※ Recyclable waste is collected at Honjo City Hall or community centers as well.

5 Papers, clothes, and metal products

[Waste collection activity by a school or child-association]

Newspapers, cardboards, milk cartons, magazines, clothes, beverage cans (aluminum, steel) are collected by those activity.

- ※ Your kind cooperation to the activity is highly appreciated.
- ※ Newspapers and cardboards should be separated, and bundled with a string or put into a bag.

6 Oversized waste

[The waste or discarded articles that do not fit into a city-approved bag are not collected at the designated garbage collection site. Please bring it to Koyamagawa Clean Center for disposal.]

· furniture, bed, futon, bicycle, fan heater, bookshelf, etc.

※ When the waste brought at a time weights 100kg or less, no charges required. When it weights over 100kg, the charges of 40yen per 10kg should be paid.)

If you can not bring it in yourself, you could ask the city office or a garbage collector to pick it up and bring it to the clean center. (The fee is required.)

※ A list of approved garbage collectors is available on the City's website.

7 Small-sized electric appliances

[Please put them into the collection boxes placed in Honjo City Hall or Kodama General Branch, or ask Linette Japan Co., Ltd. to pick them up for disposal.]

· telephone set, mobile phone, camera, personal computer, game machine, hair dryer, DVD player, calculator, radio, etc.

※ Discarded articles should be smaller than the collection box size (30cm×15 cm).

※ Linette Japan picks up a box of wastes for free of charge, if a personal computer is included in the waste. Otherwise, the disposal cost of 1,500yen per box is required.

8 Garbages not collected at a designated site

For recyclable waste including a refrigerator, freezer, washing machine, clothes dryer, television set (with both liquid crystal and plasma display), and air conditioner, please discard according to either way as follows.

- ① ask a home electronic appliance store for pickup. The fees for recycling and transportation will be charged.
- ② ask a city-approved collector for pickup. A list of collectors is available on the City's website.
- ③ bring it yourself to the designated place for disposal. In this case, please buy a recycling ticket at the post office or Yucho Bank in advance.
- ④ ask the city office for pickup. Transportation fee will be charged. Please check it with the city office in advance.

Fire extinguisher, gas cylinders, tires, concrete blocks, and chemicals should not be disposed of with either four steps above. Please ask a shop or disposal company.

※ Caution

Every garbage collection site is managed by the residents of its surrounding area. Please follow the rules and keep it clean so as not to bother the residents.

If anything unclear, feel free to ask your neighbors or the city office.

⑩ Water supply



For inquiries:

Water Division (Suido-ka/Suido-chousya)

☎ 0495-22-2151

1 How to start water usage

When you start using the water, please call Water Division (Suido-ka), Honjo City Hall in advance and inform them of your name, address, and usage starting date.

※ Please note that the Division is closed on Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays.

2 Water fee payment

The payment slip is sent to a household every other month. The payment can be completed at a bank, credit bank, credit union, labor bank, agricultural cooperative association, post office (or Yuccho bank), convenience store, or Water Division/Sewer Division of Honjo City Hall, or Water section of Kodama General Branch as printed on the payment slip.

Automatic bank debit is also available. Please ask at the bank counter about the procedure.

3 How to stop water usage

Please call Water Division (Suido-ka/Suido-chousya), Honjo City Hall earlier.

※ Please give them your name, address, stopping date, and your customer number on the payment slip you receive.

※ Caution

Please note that the following behaviors cause the suspension of your water usage.

- ① Failure to inform Water Division of your water usage
- ② Unpaid water fees

< FAQs >

Q: Why does no water come out from a faucet of my house?

A: You have not informed Water Division of your water usage.

Or you have not opened the stop tap right next to the water meter at your house.

Q: Why has the amount of my water fee sharply gone up this month compared to last month?

A: Close all the faucets in your house to see if the water meter is still running.

If the meter is still running, you may have a leaking.

If anything unclear or any troubles, please contact Water Division (Suido-ka/Suido-chousya)

⑪ General consultation for citizens



- For inquiries regarding #1 or #2 below:

Civic Affairs Division (Shimin-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1113

※ Please make a reservation. It may take a month until receiving a consultation depending on the number of other reservations.

- For inquiries regarding #3 below:

Citizen-Activity Promotion Division (Shimin katsudo suisin-ka) , Honjo City Hall ☎ 0495-25-1118

Free consultation on general issues is available for designated dates of each month at Honjo City Hall. Your personal matters or secrets are protected. So please feel free to visit. A reservation might be required depending on the subject. Please check about it with the city office.

※ Counselors are Japanese speakers.

Please bring your interpreter if needed.

1 Subjects and monthly schedule of consultations in Honjo

- ① Government 【3rd Thurs】 ※ 1
- ② Legal 【1st-4th Wed】 ※ 2
- ③ Real estate 【2nd Fri】
- ④ Pension/Labor 【2nd Thurs of even-numbered months】
- ⑤ Tax 【2nd Tues】
- ⑥ Human Rights 【2nd Tues (★1) & 4th Tues】 ※ 3

· Consultation hours: 1pm-4pm

· Maximum reservations per day: 6

· Place: Consultation room for citizens, first floor, Honjo City Hall

For ★1 above, Meeting room #3, first floor, Kodama General Branch

<For inquiries>

· Regarding subject ①, ②, ③, ④, and ⑤

Civic Affairs Division (Shimin-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎0495-25-1113

· Regarding subject⑥

Citizen-activity promotion Division (Shimin katsudo suishin-ka), Honjo City Hall ☎0495-25-1118

Please note that your reservation date for consultation is subject to change.

- ※1 The consultation on administrative services at the city office including various procedures or applications.
- ※2 The consultation on legal issues including a marriage, divorce, lending or borrowing money, traffic accident, and labor issue.
- ※3 The consultation on the violation of human rights (discrimination, prejudice, bullying, abuse, hate speech, discrimination based on gender identity or sexual orientation). Reservation is not necessary.

2 Other consultation counters

○ Saitama Information & Support (SIS), Saitama International Association

Third floor of Urawa Godo Chosha, 5-6-5, Kita Urawa, Urawa-ku, Saitama-shi, Saitama

Interpretation service over the phone. When you have a difficulty in communicating with a city officer for example, you could ask them for language assistance.

- Phone number: 048-833-3296
- Open hours: Monday to Friday (9:00-16:00)
- Supported languages: Japanese, English, Chinese, Spanish, Portuguese, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, Vietnamese
- URL: <http://www.sia1.jp/foreign/advice>

○ Human Rights Bureau, Ministry of Justice

Telephone consultation regarding human rights protection is available for non-Japanese-speaking residents in Japan.

- Telephone number: 0570-090911
- Open hours: Weekdays (excluding year-end and New Year holidays) 9:00am-5:00pm
- Languages: English, Chinese, Korean, Filipino, Portuguese, Vietnamese

※ Besides human rights, other issues regarding consumption behavior, child-raising, education, nursing care, female-specific problems, domestic violence, or personal anxiety and so on can be consulted.

If you are in trouble or worried about something, please feel free to receive a consultation. Detailed information is available on the website or public newsletter of the city.

⑫ Honjo International Friendship Association



For inquiries:
Citizen-Activity Promotion Division (Shimin katsudo suisin-ka),
Honjo City Hall **☎ 0495-25-1158**

1 Honjo International Friendship Association

Honjo International Friendship Association is engaged in the activities that promote the exchange between Japanese and non-Japanese residents in Honjo.

Various activities such as a bus tour, cooking class, and Christmas party are arranged. Classes for various foreign languages including English, Portuguese, Spanish, Chinese, and Korean are also open to anyone. Some events are admission free for association members. The members could enjoy many opportunities to meet various people and make friends. So, please join if you are interested.

2 Annual fee for membership

Annual fee is required to join the membership. If your family is a member, your annual fee will be deducted.

- ※ Your membership starts on the day you have paid the fee, and continues until upcoming March 31.
- ※ Activity information will be sent to members by post or email.

- Letter subscriber: ¥2,000
- E-mail subscriber: ¥1,500
- School student: ¥1,000 (junior high school student or above)
- Members' family: ¥1,000

3 Japanese language class

If you are interested in learning or brushing up your Japanese language skill, let's study at the classes organized by the association.

It also makes a good opportunity to meet various people and make friends. The class is free, and open every week.

Time & date: Wednesdays, 7:00pm-8:30pm

Venue: Hanipon Plaza (1-1-1, Ginza, Honjo-shi)

Please bring a notebook and pen or pencil.

※If you wish to join the class, please call Honjo International Friendship Association Office at 0495-25-1158. (The office is located in Honjo City Hall.)