

【富士市多言語生活情報】

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Earthquake

When You Feel an Earthquake!

●Preparing for Earthquake

In Fuji City, if the *Nankai* megathrust earthquake occurs, it is presumed that very strong shaking of the seismic intensity scales of 6 upper will continue for four minutes. We cannot prevent earthquakes from occurring, yet we can minimize its damage by becoming aware of the potential hazards and taking some basic precautions. Everyone needs to prepare for earthquakes, fixing furniture and appliances and stockpiling food.

Preparation at home

●Preparation is a key of survival

1. Check the earthquake resistance of your house and take seismic strengthening work.
 - ◆ Wooden buildings built before May 1981 have greater risks of collapsing.
It is recommended to check your house. When it is not earthquake resistant, Fuji City Government is ready to send specialists to evaluate safety of your house for free of charge on request.
 - ◆ In case your house needs to be reinforced against earthquakes, there is a partial financial aids system for making plans to reinforce and the constructions by the government.

※Contact *Kenchiku-Shido-ka*, Fuji City Hall (the Bureau of Urban Development, Construction Guidance Division) TEL0545-55-2903

2. Secure the furniture not to tip or fall down.
In past earthquakes such as the *Hanshin-Awaji* Earthquakes, many people were injured because of furniture tipping accidents. Make sure that you secure furniture to the wall. It is also important to consider where to place furniture. For example, you should avoid placing heavy furniture near your sleeping spot.
3. Be cautious to prevent a fire
 - ◆ Heaters such as kerosene stoves are recommended to have automatic fire extinguishing system.
 - ◆ Kerosene and cooking oil should be stored away from any area where fire is used.
 - ◆ Fire extinguishers and water for fire-fighting need to be ready.
4. Reinforce the gatepost and outer walls made of concrete blocks.
5. Prepare some emergency food, portable toilets, a first aid kit, and an emergency pack.



非常持出品：Emergency Item List:

点検しましょう：Prepare according to the list below.

寝袋	毛布	下着類	タオル	せっけん
Sleeping bag	Blanket	Underwear	Towel	Soap
手ぶくろ	ヘルメット	ロープ	救急薬品	ちり紙
Gloves	Helmet	Rope	First Aid	Tissue
家族3日分の食糧	飲料水	ローソク	トランジスタラジオ	缶づめ
Family's food for 3 days	Drinking water	Candle	Transistor radio	Canned food
ミルク	貯金通帳	現金(小銭)	懐中電灯	マッチ
Milk	Bankbook	Cash (coins)	Flashlight	Matches
ナイフ・缶切り	印かん			
Knife, Can opener	Seal (<i>hanko</i>)			

※ Join the local disaster drills and get used to the various instruments that could be used in disasters.

● **How to Protect Yourself: 8 Tips for Survival**

1. Stay calm and protect yourself.
2. Be aware of landslides and *Tsunami*.
*People in the specific areas with the potential for flooding from *TSUNAMI* (Seismic Sea Wave) and people living near the seashore and feeling uneasy about *TSUNAMI* should go to higher ground or *TSUNAMI HINAN BIRU* (Evacuation Building against Tsunami) immediately.
3. If something catches a fire, put it out immediately.
4. Stay away from narrow streets, walled streets, cliffs, and river banks
*Wear a helmet or a hat when walking outside. Objects such as pieces of glasses may fall.
5. Evacuate on foot.
*Do not use cars not to cause obstructions for emergency vehicles such as ambulances and fire engines.
6. Help each other on rescue, first-aid, and other emergency relief activity.
*Work together to relieve emergency. Help each other to extinguish fires, make rescue attempt, prevent crimes, and prepare emergency meals and so on. Join the work by the neighborhood society in your area.
7. Make sure that you get correct information.
*Follow the news on TV, radio, and the community wireless system. Do not listen to rumors.
8. Follow the rules and be aware of maintaining good health.
*If you have a problem in the evacuation center, consult the staff from the city, the Voluntary Disaster Prevention Group, or the neighborhood society.

● **Disaster-prevention by Neighborhood Society(*Jisyu-Bousai-Sosiki*)**

When an earthquake strikes, there is a limit to what you can do as an individual or as a family, so it is essential that you cooperate with your neighbors. Neighborhood Societies organize disaster preparedness volunteer groups in normal times as well as in the time of disasters.

Join the work and disaster drills with them in case of emergencies.

● **The Community Wireless Broadcast (*Douhou-Musen*)**

There are 396 neighborhood loudspeakers that can be used at the time of disasters such as earthquakes and Tsunami. They are usually used to broadcast “Announcements from the City.” Information on earthquakes, fires, missing individuals, and so forth are broadcasted when necessary.

You should respond immediately to secure your own safety when you hear an Earthquake Early Warning Announcement (*Kinkyu Jishin Sokuho*).

● **“The Earthquake Early Warning Announcement (*Kinkyu Jishin Sokuho*)”**

The warning announcement is broadcasted only a few seconds before the earthquake hits, and it

is necessary to leave any potentially dangerous sites and secure yourself as soon as possible. The warning announcement is: (siren) “*Jishin desu! Jishin desu! Tsuyoi yureni keikai shite kudasai.*” (“Earthquake! Earthquake! Be alert for strong tremors.”)

If your area is close to the focus of the earthquake, the warning may not be transmitted in time before strong tremors hit.

●Contacting Someone

In disaster situation, land-line-phones and cell phones could be too busy to connect. Use the Disaster Telephone Number 171 of message service. Calling from priority phones (phones at evacuation sites and public phones) or using e-mails and other internet services will be better ways at the time of disaster.

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●When You Are Injured

- 16 first-medical aid stations are to be set-upped in each local Junior High School Area, depending on the situation of damage and number of injured persons in the area. At the first-aid stations, doctors and nurses give first aid treatments. A severely injured person is given first-aid and sent to a first-aid hospital such as Fuji City General Hospital.
- A slightly injured person receives first-aid by a nurse or a staff member of the neighborhood society.



Disposing of Garbage

Follow the instructions below, keep our city nice and clean.

◆ Instruction for Disposing of Garbage...

1. Please put garbage out at the assigned collection spot on the appointed days.
2. Please dispose of garbage before 8:30am on the appointed days.
3. Please do not put garbage at sites other than yours.
4. Please do not dispose of commercial garbage.

The day and place for the garbage disposal depends on which Neighborhood Association (*cho-nai-kai*) you belong to. Please ask your landlord, real estate agency or neighbors.

For more information, please refer to the Garbage Collection Date Calendar.

Garbage Collection Date Calendar is available at Waste Measures Division

(*Haikibutsu-Taisaku-Ka*) in City Hall and also at *Machizukuri* community centers.

Additionally, Garbage Collection Date Calendar is available in Portuguese, Spanish, English, Korean, Chinese, Tagalog, Vietnamese, and Indonesian at Waste Measures Division (*Haikibutsu-Taisaku-Ka*) in City Hall.

Look at the basic instructions for disposal of garbage showed below.

● Burnable Trash : twice a week

Food waste, dirty or strong-smelling paper, dirty vinyl products, plastics without ‘*Pla-mark*’, the symbol mark for plastic recycling’, CDs, DVDs , small pieces of furniture, carpets, mattresses, etc.

- Please use City-Designated plastic bags
- Please drain off any excess liquid.
- Please wrap pointed objects, such as bamboo sticks, with paper.
- Waste paper and cardboard boxes are collected as recyclable paper.
- If you have an excessive amount of garbage, please bring it to the Environmental Clean Center.
- Please cut bulky carpets, which don’t fit in official garbage bags, into pieces (about the size of 50-60cm).
- Only sponge mattresses can be disposed of as burnable garbage.
- Spring mattresses needs to be disposed as landfill waste.

●Plastic containers and wrappings : once a week

Plastic containers and packing materials made of plastic or vinyl.



'Pla-mark' is the symbol mark for plastic recycling.

- Please use City-Designated bags for recycling.
- Dirty Plastic items, and items without 'Pla-mark' are collected as burnable garbage.

●Landfill waste : once a month

Bulk trash (big piece of wooden furniture, sofas, beds, chests, spring mattresses, etc.)

Small electric appliances (electric fan, vacuum cleaner, game machine, etc.)

Landfill wastes (light bulbs, knives, china, glasses, broken bottles, enameled ware, ski plates, etc.)

Fluorescent light tubes

Dry batteries

Notes/Precautions:

- Please separate unburnable waste into 5 categories, such as Oversized garbage, Small-sized household electric appliances, Landfill items, Dry batteries, and Fluorescent lights, and place them in designated collection spots.
- Please wrap glasses and sharp items in newspaper and mark the contents on the package and put it inside a clear plastic bag.
- Please put dry batteries in the designated red can placed in the waste-collection site. (Please take them out from your plastic/paper bags then put into the red can.)
- Old computers can only be disposed for free if it is taken directly to the Environment Clean Center. (Computers will not be taken from designated garbage collection sites)
Disposable items: Computer main frame, Monitor display, CRT screen
- For more information, please call Environmental Clean Center (TEL 0545-35-0081), and talk with someone in charge of garbage collection.

●Bottles and Jars : once a month

- Place them neatly in a container up to about 80% of its capacity.
- Bottles should be emptied and rinsed with water.
- Broken bottles are collected as Landfill waste.
- Metal caps are classified as the cans and metal category. Plastic caps go to the plastic containers and wrappings category.
- Crystal products, cosmetic bottles, plate glasses, fluorescent lights, and china are collected as Landfill waste.

●PET Bottles (Plastic Bottles) : once a month

• Please remove the caps, rinse inside of the bottles and drain well. (Caps are to be put with plastic containers and wrappings).

• Put them into a recycling net after crushing lightly.



• The 'PET 1' symbol mark attached mainly to beverage bottles is the sign for pet bottle recycling.

• Labels should be removed from bottles, and disposed of separately as plastic wrappings.

●Cans/Metals : once a month

Cans (beverage cans, food cans, metal caps, and other metal cans smaller than 4 liters) must be disposed in a City-Designated bag for recyclables

Metal items (pots, kettles, microwaves, gas cookers, toasters, sewing machines, wire hangers, bicycles, tin plates etc.), should be disposed as they are, without a bag.

• Please wash out the contents of cans and place them in a City-Designated bag for recyclables.

• Please do not crush cans before putting out.

• Please make sure to use up a spray can and pierce a hole on it.

You should pierce holes on spray cans until September in 2020. From October, put out spray cans without piercing holes as dangerous waste for landfill.

• Metals items should be placed separately next to City-Designated bags for recyclables.

(Other trucks will pick them up).

• Products containing 80% or over of metals are classified as metal items

• Enameled wares are collected as Landfill waste.

• Please make sure to remove all the kerosene oil from the products such as kerosene heaters.

●Clothes and Beddings (futon) : once a month

Please put clothes, shoes and small items into City-Designated Plastic bag for Recyclables (T-shirts, fleece, pants, towels, shoes, bags, belts and other leather materials).

Beddings (futon) and blankets should be tied with a string before being disposed of.

Notes/Precautions

• Please wash and dry the items before putting it out for recycling.

• Please separate items into clothes, fabrics, shoes, bags belts and other small goods.

• Shoes must be in pairs. Only one shoe or broken pairs are burnable trash.

• Safety boots, sandals and boots are not collected, please dispose as burnable trash.

• Please don't put out beddings and blankets on rainy days.

▪ Severely stained or dirty pillows, floor cushions, other cushions and carpets should be disposed of as burnable trash.

● **Paper : twice a month**

Newspaper, Magazine, Cardboard, Paper drink cartons (with white paper inner side), Other paper

- Separate paper into each category, tie them with paper strings.
Categories are: Newspaper, Magazines, Cardboard boxes, Milk Cartons,
- Flyers can be included in newspaper.
- Hard cover books and paperbacks are classified as magazines.
- Cardboard boxes should be broken down and tied.
- Drink cartons should be rinsed, broken down and dried before disposal.
- Paper boxes, Paper bags, Paper envelopes, Postcards, Wrapping paper, Drawing paper, Paper cups are categorized as OTHER PAPER. Please place them in a paper bag, or stack them and bundle, or wrap them with paper, or put them inside a City-Designated plastic bag for recyclables before you dispose them.
- Items are collected also on rainy days.
- Please use paper strings for binding.

● **Pruned Branches : once a week**

- Branches are collected at your garbage collection site as burnable garbage on Wednesdays.
- Apply at Environment Clean Center by Tuesday by telephone in advance.
- TEL0545-35-0081 Time: Mon.~Fri. (Include holidays) 8:30~17:00
- Cut the branches into the size of smaller than 10 centimeters in diameter and 50 centimeters in length, and bundle them together.
- Grasses, leaves, bamboo, and toxic trees are not recyclable. Please dispose as burnable trash.

● **Garbage That is NOT Collected**

Items specified by Household Appliance Recycling Law (TVs, Refrigerators, Freezer, Washing machines, Air conditioners, and Clothes driers)

- Fuji City does not collect items specified by the Household Appliance Recycling Law. Makers collect and recycle them.
- You cannot bring them to Environmental Clean Center. Please dispose them in any of the following ways.
 - ① Bring the item to Shinohara Industry Inc. by yourself and pay the fee.
Address: 2608-43, Nakazato, Fuji City Tel: 0545-32-2160 (appointment needed in advance).
 - ② Ask a collection and transporting company to come to your house and pay the recycling and

transporting cost.

You can consult: Fuji-shi General Waste Cooperative (*Fuji-shi Ippanhaikibutsu Kyoudoukumiai*) Tel. 0545-72-5353

Depending on a company, you may have to pay the fee in advance.

- ③ When you make a replacement purchase, ask the appliance store to dispose the old one and pay the fee.

◆ **Commercial Garbage** (Garbage wasted by industrial facilities, shops, hospitals, and dining establishments etc.)

The city doesn't collect wastes from enterprise. Please dispose them the following way.

Commercial Burnable Garbage: Bring to the Environmental Clean Center or ask Fuji-shi General Waste Cooperative (*Fuji-shi Ippanhaikibutsu Kyoudoukumiai*) Tel. 0545-72-5353

Commercial Non-burnable Garbage: Fuji City does not dispose them. Consult Shizuoka prefecture Industrial Waste Association (*Shizuoka-ken Sangyouhaikibutsu Kyoukai*).

Tel. 054-255-8285

◆ **Large Amounts of Garbage at one time** (large amounts of garbage, such as after moving)

- Call Environmental Clean Center (TEL0545-35-0081), then bring your garbage by yourself, or ask Fuji-shi General Waste Cooperative (*Fuji-shi Ippanhaikibutsu Kyoudoukumiai*)
- Tel. 0545-72-5353

◆ **Unacceptable Garbage** (dangerous objects, toxic items and other materials that are difficult to dispose of.)

Hazardous substances or materials, cylinders, tires, garbage oil, automobile, batteries, and motorcycles.

- Ask the retailer who sold the items to take them.
- Take the cylinders to gas retailers.
- Tires can be taken to *Fujitakagomu* (TEL0545-71-3618) (charged)



Education

●The Japanese Educational System

In Japan, kindergartens and nursery schools are optional. Compulsory education is a total of nine years, 6 years of elementary school and 3 years of junior high school. This is followed by three years of (non-compulsory) high school and university (4 years or 2 years at a junior college). There are also various types of technical colleges/schools for Junior high school or High school graduates. The chart below briefly shows Japanese education system:

Age⇒	7 ⇒ 12	13 ⇒ 15	16 ⇒ 18	19	20	21	22
Kindergarten	Elementary School (6years)	Junior High School (3years)	High School (3years)	University (4years)			
Nursery school				Junior College (2)	Professional (2)		
	Compulsory Education			College of Technology (5)			

Children between the ages of 6 and 14 years old, as of April 1st, must enroll in the school system. The Japanese school year starts in April and ends in March of the following year.

There are three types of schools in Japan: national schools administrated by the Japanese government, public schools administrated by prefectures and municipalities, and private schools administrated by school foundations.

Compulsory education is not mandatory for foreign residents, but it is recommended. School gives great opportunities to acquire basic social skills and to develop a good relationship with the same age group as children in the community.

●Elementary and Junior High Schools

For foreign registered children, Guardians and parents must visit Educational Affairs Division (*Gakumu-ka*) of the Board of Education (*Kyoiku iinkai*) in Fuji City Hall, with their children to apply for school admissions. Both guardians' and their children's Resident cards are required for application.

Entrance Guidance Booklets translated into foreign languages (Portuguese, Spanish, Tagalog, English and Chinese) are available at the Educational Affairs Division (*Gakumu-ka*).

Concerning children with physical/mental disabilities, special schools and classes are available. Please consult at the counter.

●Expenses

At public elementary and junior high schools, tuition and text books are free. However, it is the child's guardian's responsibility to pay for school supplies, extracurricular activities, school trips,

school lunch, and other extra expenses.

For families who have financial problems and who are difficult to pay for school expenses, financial aid system is available. Please contact school or Board of Education for more information.

●Parents and Teachers Association (PTA)

This is an organization consisted of parents and teachers of the school. The parents and teachers work together to do various activities aiming for children's healthy growth in the area and school, and improvement of the school environment. PTA is each-school-based, voluntarily run organization.

■Contact: *Kyoiku-Inkai, Gakumu-ka*

(Board of Education, Educational Affairs Division)

Tel.: 0545-55-2868

●Typical day schedule at elementary/junior high schools

Elementary school:

Usually, there are four lessons in the morning and two lessons in the afternoon, and children leave school around 3 to 4 o'clock. The number of lessons varies according to the grade, date, and other reasons. One lesson consists of 45minuts.

Junior high school:

Usually, there are four lessons in the morning and two lessons in the afternoon. One lesson consists of 50 minutes. There are club activities after class. Children leave school 4 to 6 o'clock and it varies according to their club activities.

●Club Activities

Club activities provide junior high school students opportunities to develop their physical strength, to get to understand cultures and science and to have good relationships with other students. As a general rule, all students in Fuji City have to join club activities.

The students can choose which activity to participate in. It depends on each school, but in general they have a baseball, soccer, tennis, track & field, brass band, arts, and other types of clubs.

◆ Annual Events in elementary school

Annual events at elementary schools are showed below.

Notice: Schedule varies in each school

First Semester

April Entrance Ceremony, Beginning of the Year Ceremony, Road Safety Training

May Home visitation by teacher, School trip

June Starts Swimming exercise at swimming pool, Sports Day

Summer Holiday starts at the end of July, and go back to school at the end of August.

September Evacuation drills
October End of the semester ceremony

Second Semester

October Beginning of the semester ceremony, Health checkup
November Reading book week

Winter Holiday starts at the end of December and go back to school after the new year.

February Open house for the parents of new students

March Graduation ceremony, End of the year ceremony

Spring Holiday starts at the end of March, and go back to school in the beginning of Apr.

Other Events schedule

- Field Trip :One-day trip to parks and historical places outside school.
- Lodging Training :5th graders stay for two nights or one night at a lodge and experience things in the nature.
- Evacuation Drill :Practicing evacuation in case of fire and earthquake.
- School Trip :6th graders go to overnight trip visiting various places in Tokyo or other places

●International Classes

Foreign school children who go to elementary, junior high school in Fuji-shi can attend International Class in Yoshiwara elementary school or Fujimidai elementary school if they wish. Children at International Classes can learn basic Japanese language to get used to the life in Japan and can learn their mother language to maintain. Please consult with the child's school staff to enroll in International Classes.

Time and Date: Every weekday afternoon

Notice: Elementary students, in general, are asked to be picked-up and dropped-off by their parents. Parents are responsible for keeping children's safety for commuting to the class.

■Contact: *Kyoiku-Iinkai, Gakko-Kyoiku-ka*, , Fuji City Hall
(Board of Education, School Education Department)
Tel.: 0545-55-2869

●Foreign National's School

There is a Brazilian school, "ESCOLA FUJI" in Fuji-shi.

For more detailed information, please contact the number below.

■Contact: ESCOLA FUJI

Address: *Kamio Bldg. 6-18 Heigaki-honcho*, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-60-1129

●Kindergarten/Nursery School/Certified children center /Area-based childcare services

For children younger than elementary school age, kindergartens, nursery schools, certified children centers and area-based childcare services are available.

◆ Kindergartens (*Youchi-en*)

Kindergarten is a kind of educational institution for 3-5 year-old children. Applications are accepted in the previous school year. However each kindergarten accept application any time if there is a vacancy. For application, visit the kindergarten of your choice with the child

◆Nursery Schools (*Hoiku-en*)

When parents or guardians cannot provide sufficient daycare for children at home because of their works or illness, nursery schools provide care for the children.

If your child can go along with others and you cannot care for him/her for any of the reasons stated below, the child is eligible for nursery school.

1. Out-of-home labor: You work 4 hours or more a day and 16 days or more a month, out of the home.
2. At-home labor: You engage in work other than housework at home. As for domestic piecework, you need to earn ¥15,000 or more per month.

(For both cases above, working 4 hours or more a day and 16 days or more a month is necessary.)

3. You are pregnant and going to deliver a baby soon or have delivered a baby lately.
(From the date 3 months before the due date to the end of the month after a lapse of 8 weeks from the delivery)
4. Disease/Disorder: You have a health problem or suffer from mental/physical disability.
5. Caregiving /Nursing: You are caring a member of your family who has been ill for long time or who has mental/physical disability.
6. Post-disaster recovery: You engaged in recovery work after disasters such as earthquakes, windstorm, flood and fire.
7. Seeking job: You have been trying to find a job (including preparation for starting up your own business)
8. Attending school: You are enrolled in a school or you are in job training.
(4 hours or more a day and 16 days or more a month of attendance is necessary)
9. Abuse/DV/Child abuse: In a case that there might happen child abuse in your family. You cannot care your child because of DV from your spouse.
10. Childcare leave: Your child has already been in nursery school during your child care leave of your other child and you have a continuing need to use the service.

11. Special case approved by the mayor: You are in a condition similar to one of the cases above and the mayor has approved that.

When the conditions above are no longer met, the child may be asked to withdraw from nursery school.

As for enrollment in April, application is accepted early in October every year. Please submit required documents such as application form to Child Welfare Division (*Kodomo-Mirai-ka*).

As for enrollment in and after May, please submit required documents such as application form by 20th every month. Your child's enrollment in the next month is considered if there is open in the capacity.

◆ **Certified children center** (*Nintei-Kodomo-en*)

Nintei-Kodomo-en has functions and merits of both kindergarten and nursery school. At *Nintei-Kodomo-en* children from the kindergarten and the nursery school are educated and cared together.

◆ **Area-based childcare services**(*Chiikigata-Hoiku-Jigyuu*)

These services accept 0-2 year-old and fewer children than nursery schools do.

■ **Contact:** : *Hoiku-Yochien-ka* (Child Care Division), Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2762

Or directly to the facility of your choice.

● **High School (Senior High School)**

Students who have graduated from Junior High School are entitled to take entrance exams to go on to High School. Then, High School graduates are entitled to take exams to go on to higher education like Universities, Junior colleges, or Technical colleges/schools. It is said that students who have completed higher education have advantages in the job market. In Japan, more than 90% of students advance to High school.

Anyone who wishes to enroll in High school has to take entrance examinations. Anyone who is over than 15 years old and who has graduated/is going to graduate from Junior high school or has finished 9-year primary education in foreign countries is entitled to take entrance examinations.

The ones who have completed 8 years primary education in foreign countries have to go to Junior high school for one more year or have to pass “High school equivalency examination” before applying for the entrance exams for High school.

There are three types of High School Course, Full-time, Part-time, and Correspondence. There are also three courses of Full time High school; Regular course, Technical courses

(commercial and business, industry and manufacturing, etc.), and General course.

◆Full-time course: The most common type of High school

Classes are held during day time as the same as elementary and junior high school.

There are three types of full-time High school

- Regular Course: mainly learn advanced level in Japanese language, Mathematics, English, Science, and Social studies
- Technical Course: mainly learn professional and technical subjects
- General Course: learn from wide range of subjects from regular and technical subjects

◆Part-time course: Classes are held in the evening

Students who cannot attend classes because of their work and other reasons can take classes in the evenings in this course. They can also attend classes only in the mornings or only in the afternoons.

◆Correspondence course: Classes are held in daytime but not every day

Unlike the Full-time Course, students are not required to attend school every day in this course. Contents and qualifications are the same as Full-time course and Part-time course.

High schools are generally divided into two types by their administrative structures; Public High school run by local governments, and Private High school run by school foundations.

Expenses and fees are lower in Public school than in Private school.

Some Students may fail or be expelled due to their bad attitude, bad results, or many absences because High school is not compulsory education.

●University ▪ Junior College

High school graduates are entitled to take entrance exams to enroll in to Universities and Junior Colleges. If they passed it, they can learn 4 more years at general Universities, and 2 more years at Junior Colleges.

People who have not completed Japanese Junior high school or High school can also take entrance exams only when they pass the pre-admission test (high school equivalence test).

There are also technical colleges/schools where they can learn more practical and professional knowledge and skills for Junior high school and High school graduates.



“JICHIKAI” Neighborhood Association

Neighborhood Association : ”*JICHIKAI*” and “*CHONAIKAI*”

Japanese Neighborhood Association, “JICHIKAI” is also called “*CHONAIKAI*”.

Each “*JICHIKAI*” is organized by families who live in a specific local area.

They are voluntary associations based on the spirit of helping each other.

They plan, work and act for the sake of local people.

In present Fuji City, this neighborhood Association is called “*CHONAIKAI*” especially in former Yoshiwara City, and is also called “*KU*” especially in former Fuji City, Takaoka Cho, and Fujikawa Cho.

CHONAIKAI / KU consists of some small groups of *HAN / KUMI*

The number of families in one *CHONAIKAI / KU* varies from at least 10 families to over 1000 families at the most. A *CHONAIKAI or KU* with a large number of families, are further divided into small groups called *KUMI or HAN*.

A *CHONAIKAI* is divided into some small groups of *KUMI*.

On the other hand, a *KU* is divided into some small groups of *HAN*.

Some huge *CHONAIKAI / KU* are further divided into some smaller middle-sized groups as middle managements.

Community Activities by *CHONAIKAI / KU*

1. Maintain Local Streetlights

Install and maintain local streetlights for the sake of local safety.

2. Environmental Improvement/Garbage Collection

Keep the local streets clean and tidy. Install and maintain local garbage stations, and carry out local clean-up activity.

3. Voluntary Disaster-prevention Activities

Organize local voluntary disaster-prevention groups and train by district about dealing with natural disasters, e.g., earthquakes.

4. Recreational Activities

Organize activities such as Sports Day and summer festivals and promote a good friendship.

5. Cooperate with Various Local Associations

Cooperate with various Children's and Elderly citizens associations. (*KODOMO-KAI*, *ROJIN-CLUB*)

6. Promote Social Welfare and Various Contributions

Raise money for Community Chest Campaign. e.g., The Green Fund and The Red Fund.

7. Distribute the Fuji City Bulletin

Distribute the News Letter (*Koho Fuji*) and notices from Fuji City and local community centers (*Machizukuri* center) to local people.

8. Parks Maintenance

Clean and keep the local parks safe and tidy.

Fees for CHONAIKAI / KU (Neighborhood Associations)

CHONAIKAI / KU are voluntary groups and operational costs are covered by each member fee (*CHONAIKAIHI / KUHI*). Payment of fees (*CHONAIKAIHI / KUHI*) are different depending on each *CHONAIKAI / KU* (Neighborhood Associations). For example, monthly, bimonthly and yearly payment.

※ Participate willingly in local activities and enjoy communication with your neighbors.



Legal procedures for VISA status

To apply for legal procedures for VISA status, you should visit your Regional Immigration Bureau or its branch office, and submit an application form along with necessary documents.

For more information, contact the Immigration Bureau below.

- Nagoya Immigration Bureau, Shizuoka Branch

Address: Ichinose Center Bldg. 6F, 9-4 Tenma-cho, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka-shi

Postal code: 420-0858 TEL: 054-653-5571



Social Welfare System

Social Welfare System for the Disabled

●Certificate for the Disabled; “*SHOGAISHA TECHO*”

“*SHOGAISHA TECHO*” is issued to a person who is physically, intellectually and/or mentally disabled and who has trouble in their everyday life. Certificate holders are entitled to be given various services. Certificate holders can receive services such as tax deductions, discounts on public transportation fares and other public services.

• Physical Disability Certificate “*SHINTAISHOGAISHA TECHO*”

This certificate is needed when a person with a physical disability requires Social Service support or care.

Classifications of disabilities are disability of eyes or ears, voice impairment, speech defect, dysfunction of limbs, heart, kidney, liver, respiratory functions, bladder, rectum, small intestine, or immunity disorder.

Disabled person with this certificate is entitled to have some welfare services.

Severity of each disabled person is classified into six grades and services differ according to their grade.

• Intellectual Disability Certificate “*RYOIKU TECHO*”

Disabled person with this certificate is entitled to have some welfare services

• Mental Disability Certificate “*SEISHIN SHOGAISHA HOKEN FUKUSHI TECHO*”

Disabled person with this certificate is entitled to have some welfare services

●People with Malignant (incurable) Diseases

Those with the malignant diseases are entitled to receive services deemed necessary with or without a *SHOGAI TECHO*.

●Welfare Services

Following services are available for disabled

- Home-helper services
- Day-services (Day care at welfare facilities)
- Short-stay services at welfare facilities (Staying for short time period at welfare facilities)
- Long-stay at welfare facilities

Some services may partially cost the certificate holders.

For details, contact the information below.

Department of Welfare for the Disabled (*SHOGAI FUKUSHI KA*), Fuji City Hall (4F South Side)

Consultation Support Staff Phone: 0545-55-2761

Major Benefits and Support Systems

●Benefits

1. Medical benefits
2. Disability benefits
3. Financial assistance for Social welfare equipments
4. Financial assistance for taxi fares
5. Installation of emergency alarm system
6. Financial assistance for Telephone Equipment for the Disabled (*FUKUSHI DENWA*)
7. Others
 - Financial assistance to get a driver's license
 - Financial assistance to remodel vehicles
 - Free disposable diapers
 - Free emergency supplies

●Reductions

1. Deduction from income tax and residential tax
2. Reduction and exemption of automobile tax
3. Discount on transportation fares
4. Discount on toll road fares
5. Reduction and exemption of NHK TV license fee
6. Free telephone number inquiry service by NTT

Some of the services, benefits and support systems are limited in some cases.

For details please use the contact information below.

■ Department of Welfare for the Disabled (*SHOGAI FUKUSHI KA*),

Fuji City Hall (4F South Side)

Benefit Payment officer for the Disabled (*SHOGAI KYUFU TANTO*)

(Medical expenses, benefits) Phone: 0545-55-2759

Consultation Support Staff (*SODAN SHIEN TANTO*) Phone: 0545-55-2761

Management Staff (*KANRI TANTO*) Phone: 0545-55-2911

Social Welfare System for Children

●Medical Expense Support System for Children (*KODOMO IRYOHI JOSEI SEIDO*)

Medical expenses for children who are the age of 0-18, until the end of the school year are supported.

Expenses over the certain charges showed below are supported by this system.

Outpatient treatment : 500 yen at most per visit on the 1st to 4th visit within a month.

Inpatient treatment : Free of charge including meals.

●Child Allowance System (*JIDO TEATE*)

Parents or guardians who are bringing up children under the age of 3rd year of junior high school are entitled to receive payments for a certain amount showed below.

This benefit is for the sake of the children's health and growth.

The amounts of child allowance are listed below.

- Under 3 years old : 15000 yen per month
- 3 years old or older until finishing elementary school (for first and second child) : 10000 yen per month
- 3 years old or older until finishing elementary school (for 3rd and subsequent children) :15000 yen per month.
- Junior high school students: 10000 yen per month
- Above the income cap: 5000 yen per month

●Medical Expense Support System for single mother (*BOSHIKATEI TO IRYOHI JOSEI SEIDO*)

This is a Medical Expense Support System for low-income householders who are raising children younger than 20 years old and whose income taxes are not imposed on under the condition of one of the following listed below.

However, in some cases this support system could be applied depending on the number and age of children, even if income tax is imposed on householders

Single Mothers and their children

- Single Fathers and their children.
- Children without parents
- Children and their parent whose spouse is severely disabled (mentally/physically).
- Children and their parent who cannot be supported because whose spouse has been received a protection order against DV (*DV Hogo Meirei*).

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●Child Raising Allowance for single parent households (*JIDO FUYO TEATE*)

This system is for single parent families and is applicable to a parent or a guardian who is actually raising children younger than 18 years old (until March 31 after the child's 18th birthday) or disabled children younger than 20 years old, under conditions of at least one of following lists.

- One of parents has died
- One of parents has been missing for longer than one year, abandoned or in prison.
- After the parents' divorce, each parent's living has completely been separated and independent.
- Either father or mother is severely disabled
- Single mother or father
- Father or mother has been received protection order against DV (*DV Hogo Meirei*)

The monthly benefit amount differs, depending on the income in previous year.

Please contact the office showed below for more information.

■Contact■

Child and Family Division (*KODOMO KATEI KA Kosodate Kyufu Tantou*),
4th floor, The South side of Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2738

●Family Support Center

This is a mutual-aid membership system to supply temporary child nursing for parents who cannot take care of their children because of their work or anything else. "*Irai-Kaiin*", client-members, who asks for child nursing and "*Teikyo-Kaiin*", provide-members, who take care of children for a fee, are registered with the Center, and support each other.

■Contact: Family Support Center

Place : 4th Floor, East Building, Philanse Phone: 0545-66-4128

●After School Daycare (*JIDO CLUB*)

They are places for school children whose parents work until late hours and who are not given good care by any adults when they go back home after school.

There is one *JIDO CLUB* in each elementary school.

■Contact: Children's Future Division /Policy Planning (*KODOMO MIRAI KA/KODOMO SEISAKU*)

Place: 4th floor, The South side of Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2731

●Childcare Support Centers(*KOSODATE SHIEN CENTER*)

Childcare facilities for parents raising children, where they can play with children, and interact with other parents. Playrooms are available for children to play. We provide parenting support including consultation on child-rearing.

■Contact: Children's Future Division /Policy Planning (*KODOMO MIRAI KA/KODOMO SEISAKU*)

Place: 4th floor, The South side of Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2731

●Indoor Play Centers(*JIDOU KAN*)

We provide playrooms for children from age 0-18 for their healthy growing. We provide guidance and support of a play and making friends, and also various classes and events.

■Contact: Children's Future Division /Policy Planning (*KODOMO MIRAI KA/KODOMO SEISAKU*)

Place: 4th floor, The South side of Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2731

Social Welfare System for the Elderly

● *Yuyo Club* (Club for Senior Citizens)

Yuyo Clubs are organized by local elderly citizens voluntarily.

They work to make their senior life nice and healthy.

Their major activities are showed as follows

- Intellectual activities
- Health promotion activities
- Community services
- To develop good relationship with local community
- Recreational activities

Anyone who is 60 years old or older can join the club. Please contact *Yuyo Club* or *Fuji-shi Yuyo Club Association*

■ Contact ■

Fuji-shi Yuyo Club Association

Place: 3rd Floor, East Building, *Philanse* Phone: 0545-64-9038

● Comprehensive Support Center for the Local Elderly in Fuji City

The comprehensive support center for the local elderly has been established for the purpose of supporting the local elderly comprehensively in terms of nursing care, welfare and medical care. Nine comprehensive support centers are located within Fuji City in order to let people live in good health in respective beloved places. At each center, persons in charge stand ready to be consulted by the people to meet their needs. Call or come into your nearest center.

Name	Catchment area	Location	Tel. No.
Eastern Fuji Comprehensive Support Center, Fuji	Sudo · Ukishima · Motoyoshiwara	2-1, Masukawa Shinmachi, Fuji City	39-1300
Central Yoshiwara Comprehensive Support Center, Fuji	Goudo · Fujimidai · Harada · Yoshinaga · Yoshinaga Kita	1481-2, Hina, Fuji City	39-2700
Northern Fuji Comprehensive Support Center, Fuji	Oobuchi · Aobadai · Hiromi	218-10, Issiki, Fuji City	23-0303
Takaoka Comprehensive Support Center, Fuji	Takaoka · Tenma · Oka	475-1, Kuzawa, Fuji City	30-7062
Western Yoshiwara Comprehensive Support Center, Fuji	Imaizumi · Yoshiwara · Denpou	1-11-36, Kunikubo, Fuji City	30-8324
Northern Fuji Comprehensive Support Center, Fuji	Iwamatsu · Iwamatsu Kita · Fujieki Kita · Fuji Kita	24-5, Motoichiba Shinden, Fuji City	66-0115

Southern Fuji Comprehensive Support Center, Fuji	Fujieki Minami ・ Fuji Minami ・ Tagonoura	2-17, Yokowari Honcho, Fuji City	65-8839
Fujikawa Comprehensive Support Center, Fuji	Fujikawa ・ Matsuno	37-1, Iwabuchi, Fuji City	81-4820
The Elderly Comprehensive Support Center, Fuji	The whole area in Fuji	4 th Floor Fuji City Hall	55-2951

■ Inquiries related to the comprehensive support centers for the local elderly ■

Fuji City Comprehensive Support Centers for the Local Elderly

(Elderly Support Division, at *Koureisha Shien-ka*)

4th Floor, North side of Fuji City Hall

Telephone No.: 0545-55-2951

At each comprehensive support center for the local elderly people, a chief care manager, a social welfare worker and a public health nurse work in a team to deal with the following matters:

1. Consulting elderly people about complaints or helping with various problems in their daily lives.
The staff responds to requests asked by elderly people, their family members or others and provides information or intermediacy to necessary services or related institutions.
2. Safeguarding the rights of elderly people
Taking measures to prevent elder abuse and damage to consumers. In addition, for a person whose ability to make decisions has fallen, the team members introduce an adult guardianship system and let the person know about the way to apply for the utilization of the system.
3. Carrying out preventive health care for the elderly
The center holds classes and such for preventive health care — preventing a condition which requires nursing care. In addition, nursing care plans are made for a person certified as requiring support.
4. Strengthening ties among citizens and deepening the power of togetherness
The center offers useful advice and closer cooperation to care managers. In addition, the center builds a network with relevant organizations and develops an ideal community where elderly people can lead normal lives in a healthy way.

■Contact: Persons in charge of comprehensive support for the local elderly,

Elderly Support Division (*Koureisha Shien Ka*)

Place: 4th Floor, The North Side of Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2951

●Welfare for the Elderly Only Household

The following services are available for an elderly person, who is living alone or in an elderly-only household in Fuji City.

- Telephone equipments for the elderly (*FUKUSHI DENWA*) are available to be rented.
- Food delivery service to improve their diet and safety confirmation.
- Safety confirmation service by providing emergency goods; “emergency pendant” “gas

alarm device” and “fire alarm device.”

- FUREAI CALL

This is a telephone call service to confirm the safety and wellness of the elderly.

- SAWAYAKA CALL

This is a service to deliver lactose drinks and confirm safety of the elderly.

■Contact■ Elderly Support Division (*Koureisha Shien Ka, Jutaku Shien Tantou*)

Place: The North Side of 4th Floor, Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2741

For *SAWAYAKA CALL*, Contact Fuji-shi Council of Social Welfare(*Fujishi Shakai Fukushi Kyogikai*) Place:1st Floor, East Bldg. Philanse Phone: 0545-64-4649

●To keep good health and conditions for the elderly

- Day service (Users can take activity programs once a week to support self-independent life.)

■Contact: Elderly Support Division (*Koureisha Shien Ka, Jutaku Shien Tanto*)

Place: 4th Floor, The North side of Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2741

●Support Services for the Elderly who are in need of help

- Provision of light livelihood support (dispatch staff help with daily life, mainly dealing with simple tasks).
- Visiting beauty services (a beautician provides hairdressing at home).
- Bedclothes cleaning services (bedclothes are washed, dried and sterilized by professionals)
- Paper diaper supply service (when someone is bedridden or diagnosed with dementia and uses diapers, paper diapers are supplied depending upon need).
- Going Out Support Service (part of the cost of transportation, such as; from home to a medical institution, is supported).
- Certification for tax deduction used on filing a tax return is provided to those who are bedridden or have dementia with difficulties in daily life, and are certified equivalent to those with disability certificates.

■Contact: Elderly Support Division (*Koureisha Shien Ka, Zaitaku Shien Tanto*)

Place: 4th floor, North side of Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2741

●Support for Families Living with People Who Need Care

- Bonus for caregivers: some reward money is given to a caregiver who provides care at home to an elderly person who has been certified as the level 3, 4 or 5 of long-term care need and has not received any services by Long-Term Care Insurance (*Kaigo-hoken*) for 1 year.

- Acupuncture, Moxibustion and Massage Cost Aid: There is a grant to cover the cost of acupuncture, moxibustion and massage for caregivers who has been caring for a bedridden or elderly person with dementia, for over 6 months at home.

■Contact : Elderly Support Division (*Koureisha Shien Ka, Zaitaku Shien Tanto,*)

Place: 4th floor, North side, Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2741

General Welfare

●Nursing Care Insurance (*KAIGO HOKEN*)

It is estimated that one out of three persons will be over 65 years old by the middle of the twenty first century in Japan. Not only is there an increasing number of elderly who have health problems, such as those that are bedridden or have dementia, but also their caregivers are aging. It means that providing care is becoming very difficult when given only within the family. To help and support not only the family who has elderly members but the society as a whole, the Nursing Care Insurance System was made.

■Contact: Long-Term Care Insurance Section (*Kaigo Hoken Ka*)

Place: 4th floor, North side, Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2765 • 2766

●Support system based on the Social Welfare Assistance (*SEIKATSU HOGO*)

It is possible for a family to be unable to support themselves because of aging, unexpected sickness, or accidents. Social welfare assistance is a livelihood protection system, which is designed to help the destitute to maintain “a minimum standard of living” and to be self-supporting as soon as possible. Even also non-Japanese who are permanent residents, spouses of Japanese or fixed residents are eligible to apply for the support system.

■Contact: Livelihood Support Division (*Seikatsu-Sien-Ka*), *Hogo Tanto*.

Place: 4th floor, South side, Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2758

●Domestic Violence (DV)

Domestic Violence is an abusive behavior by one’s partner, spouse or someone living in the same household. This includes not only physical violence, but also verbal abuse. To improve the situation, first, it may be helpful to consult with someone and not to hide it. If you need help urgently to escape from abuse, please contact the phone number below. Your case will be strictly guarded and protected.

■Contact:

Consultation Center for people with violent spouses Phone: 0545-51-1128

Counseling hours: 8:30~ 17:15

※Telephone counseling is in Japanese only. For those who wish to consult in person, please make a reservation first through the telephone. In case of emergencies during the closing hours and holidays, please contact the Fuji City Police Station (0545-51-0110).

●Local Welfare Commissioners / Child Welfare Commissioner
(MINSEI-IIN / JIDOU-IIN)

There are local and child commissioners in each local community. They support and give advice to people, senior citizens, disabled people and single parents about various matters in their lives. Please ask the Welfare General Affair Department for the commissioners near your residence.

■Contact: Welfare Division, Welfare General Affair Department (*Shakai Fukushi Tanto, Fukushi Somu Ka*)

Place: 4thFloor, South side, Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2757

●The Independence Support System for the Needy

This is a support system of pre-Public Assistance stage to help people who have financial difficulties and might not be able to maintain the minimum living standard. This system provides employment support for people who can work and earn under a certain level of income now. It also gives financial support to cover a certain period of the rent under condition of seeking job.

Depending on situations, contents of support vary. Please consult first when you have financial difficulties.

■Contact■

Fuji Social welfare council, *KURASHI SHIGOTO* help desk (1F *Higashikan*) 0545-64-6969

●Adult Guardianship Support Center

In order to enable that elderly people with cognitive dysfunctions or mentally disabled persons live safely, the Adult Guardianship Support Center was established. For consultations, please visit the center or contact the number below.

■Contact: Philanse East Bldg. 2F

Support Center for Care of Adult-age Disabled Person (*Fuji-shi Seinen Kouken Shien Center*)
432-1 Motoichiba, Fuji-shi Tel. 0545-64-6010



Medical Service and Health Care

Medical Services

Public hospitals in Fuji City are listed below.

●Fuji City General Hospital (*Fuji-shiritsu Chuo-Byoin*)

Fuji City General Hospital has latest medical equipment and highly professional medical staff to provide high quality service and care in the community.

Clinical Divisions and Departments

Diabetes/Endocrine/Blood Internal Medicine, Respiratory I.M., Nephrology I.M., Gastroenterology, Neurology, Neuropsychiatry, Cardiovascular Medicine, Cardiology, Pediatrics, Surgery, Orthopedics, Plastic surgery, Neurosurgery, Cardiovascular surgery, Dermatology, Urology, Gynecology, Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology, Radiology, Dental & Oral surgery

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. ~ 11:00 a.m. (Medical examination begins at 8:30)

Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, and New Year holidays (December 29th to January 3rd)

* Department of Orthopedics: Medical examination on Wednesdays begins at 9:30.

* Department of Psychiatry is closed on Tuesdays and Fridays.

* Department of Plastic Surgery is closed on Thursdays.

* Department of Cardiovascular Surgery is open on Mondays and Wednesdays.

On Consultations, please bring your *Zairyu*-card (Resident card) or Special Permanent Resident card, *Hoken-sho* (National Health Insurance Card), and *Jyukyu-sya-syo* (Medical Care Certificate) if you have any.

◆The first-time patient (*Shinkan*):

When you visit the hospital as a patient for the first time, please go to the table in the Center Hall on the first floor, fill out the application form for new patients, and hand the form in at the counter for first-time patients (Counter No.2 or No.3).

※ A referral letter by a medical doctor of a local clinic/hospital is required when you visit the Department of Neurology and Psychiatry, Orthopedics, Plastic Surgery, Gynecology, Radiology and Hematology for the first time.

※ On Thursdays, only First-time patients with referral letters or patients with appointments are accepted in Ophthalmology department.

※ If you visit the hospital without a referral, they charge a special first visit fee of 5,500 yen (for

the medical department) or 3,300 yen (for the dental department) in addition to the usual first visit fee (in case of 30 percent copayment: 850 yen)

◆ The patients who have visited the hospital before:(*Saishin*)

When you have an appointment, please insert your hospital card into the (pink-colored) reception-machine, and take a slip of paper with basic schedule printed on that comes out from the printer. Next, submit the slip along with your health insurance card and hospital card to the verification counter. After verifying, you will be handed a yellow file with your basic schedule inside it. Then, submit the yellow file to the counter of the medical department that you have an appointment with.

If you don't have an appointment or have come on a date that is different from your schedule, please insert your hospital card into the (blue-colored) reception-machine, and choose the department that you wish to visit from the display screen. A basic schedule will be printed out, so please take the basic schedule and submit it to the verification counter along with your hospital card and health insurance card. After verifying, you will be handed a yellow file with your basic schedule inside it. Then, submit the yellow file to the counter of the medical department you have chosen.

If half a year has passed since your last consultation, you will be considered as a first-time patient (*Shinkan*).

Hours to visit inpatients: 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Parking Fee: 50 yen per 30 minutes (tax not included)

Free for out patients (Ask for a free stamp at the reception or the cashier)

Use of cellular phones

The use of cellular phones in the hospital is prohibited in consideration of adverse effects on medical equipment. The following three restricted areas are specified:

“Use of Cellphones Totally Prohibited Area”:You need to turn off your cell-phone

“Sending E-mail Permitted Area” :You may send/receive text messages in the manner mode and use the Internet.

“Phone Call Permitted Area” :You may talk on your cell- phone in the manner mode, send/receive text messages and use the Internet.

■Contact:

Fuji City General Hospital 50 Takashima-cho Fuji-shi tel. 0545-52-1131

●Kyoritsu Kanbara General Hospital

2500-1 Nakanogou, Fuji- shi Tel: 0545-81-2211 (main office)

To be prepared for any emergency, and to make it easy for patients to visit in cases of sickness, injury, or worries about health, the General Hospital consistently strives to improve, caring for the community with advanced technology and staff training.

Clinical Divisions and Departments

Internal Medicine · Neurology · Psychosomatic Medicine · Psychiatry · Respiratory Medicine, · Gastroenterology · Cardiology · Diabetes and Endocrinology · Paediatrics · Ggeneral Surgery · Orthopedic Surgery · Neurosurgery · Dermatology、· Urology · Gynecology · Ophthalmology · Otorhinolaryngology · Radiology · General Practice

Office hours for outpatients : 7:30 am ~ 11:15 am

※ Please consult as an outpatient in cases of sudden illness or emergencies.

Closed: Saturdays and Sundays, national holidays, and at the end and beginning of the year
(December 29 ~ January 3)

Patient Advice

If you are not sure which department you should visit, please ask at the General Information Desk.

◆First-time Patients* are defined as below

- Patients who will be consulting for the first time
- Patients who have already finished their treatment, and who want to consult again.
- Patients who have stopped their treatment, but want to consult again.

They are required to fill out application forms and show their health insurance cards at the general information desk. Patients with a doctor's letters of referral need to submit them at the counter too.

◆Patients who visit the hospital regularly

※ Health insurance cards are confirmed once a month.

When you have an appointment, check at the reception machine, then go to the department counter or the examination room.

Hours to visit Inpatients: 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Parking Fee: Up to one hour: 100yen

Over one hour: 50 yen per 30 minutes

Car Parking is free for outpatients. (Verify parking tickets upon payment)

Private Hospitals and Clinics

Aside from the City General Hospital, there are various hospitals and clinics in your community. For more information visit the Fuji-shi Medical Association's home page.

<http://www.fuji.shizuoka.med.or.jp> (Japanese only)

● If you get sick or injured on Sundays, holidays or during the night
Medical treatments are available at the Emergency Medical Care Center and the Dental Doctor Hall on Sundays and national holidays, and at night. When an immediate treatment is necessary because of sudden illness or car accidents, please call 119 for an ambulance.

◆ Fuji City Emergency Medical Care Center (Internists, Pediatricians, and Surgeons)

Office Hours Sundays and holidays 9:00~8:00 (next morning)
 Saturdays 14:00~8:00 (next morning)
 Monday through Friday 19:00~8:00 (next morning)

※ As for gynecology, ophthalmology, and otolaryngology, there are duty doctors available in case of emergency.

Check the City Website, or call the Emergency Medical Hotline.

Phone: 51-9999

■Contact: Fuji City Emergency Medical Care Center

217-2 Tsuda, Fuji-shi Tel.0545-51-0099

◆ Fuji City Dental Doctor Hall (Dentists)

Office Hours Sundays and holidays 9:00~12:00 and 13:00~16:00

■Contact: Fuji City Dental Doctor Hall 2850-3 Denbo, Fuji-shi Tel.0545-53-5555

Health

●Adults Health

- Consultations on general health

Consultations on adult lifestyle-related diseases, such as a high blood pressure, a high cholesterol level, and a high blood sugar level, are available

- Nutritional consultations for citizens

Consultations on baby food, children's diet, over weight, hyperlipidemia, or diabetes are available

■Contact: *Fuji shi Philanse* Health Policy Division(*Hoken Seisaku Ka*)

Address: 432-1 Motoichiba, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-64-8992

- Consultations on bones

Bone Density Measuring by ultrasound and consultations on bone density and lifestyle diseases.

■Contact: *Fuji shi Philanse* Regional Public Health Division(*Chiiki Hoken Ka*)

Address: 432-1 Motoichiba, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-64-8993

- Tuberculosis Prevention

If you have been coughing and having phlegm for two weeks or longer, you may have tuberculosis. You must visit a doctor as soon as possible. Please make sure to have a tuberculosis checkup, provided by the city and companies. Fuji City conducts checkups for free at *Machizukuri Center*.

- Cancer Prevention (Charged)

To detect cancers (stomach, lungs, large bowel, uterus, breast and prostate) and hepatitis in the early stages, please take advantage of the physical checkups held at *Machizukuri Center* or *Philanse*, and other locations.

A consultation ticket called “*Gan Kenshin Jushinken*” sent at the end of April is required to receive medical cancer test. See the Health check-up Guide enclosed for details.

- Vaccinations for the elderly

The expense of Vaccinations for Influenza is subsidized once a year for the elderly aged 65 and over. The vaccination period is from October to the end of January, and the self-pay amount is 1650 yen. In cases that citizens wish to receive their vaccination in another city or town of Shizuoka Prefecture, they need a request paper certified by the Mayor of Fuji City.

Medical inquiry sheets are sent to those aged 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100 who have never received vaccine against pneumococcus. The vaccinations are available by March 31st and the self-pay amount is 3,000yen.

■Contact : *Fuji shi Philanse* Physical Checkup Division, Department of Disease Prevention
(*Kenshin Tanto, Kenko Seisaku Ka*)

Address: 432-1 Motoichiba, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-64-8992

*Vaccination Health Policy Division, In Charge of Health Promotion

(*Yoboh Sesshu, Kenkoh Seisaku Ka, Kenkoh Suishin Tantoh*)

Phone: 0545-64-9023

- AIDS Blood Tests • Consultations

Tests for AIDS are carried out in the Fuji Health Center (*Fuji hokenjyo*), from 9:00 to 11:30 on every 2nd Wednesday of every month, from 9:00 to 11:30 on the 4th Wednesday of each odd-numbered month, and from 18:00 to 19:45 on the 4th Wednesday of each even-numbered month.

Anyone wishing for consultations please make an appointment in advance. You can use an anonymous name if you wish so. Confidentiality is strictly observed.

Consultations are open to be held at any time.

Inquiries: Medical Treatment Section, Fuji Health Welfare Center (Fuji Health Center)

■Contact : Fuji City Health and Welfare Center (Fuji City public health center)

Department of Health Promotion 441-1 Motoichiba, Fuji-shi 0545-65-2206

●Mother and child health

• Issuance of the Maternal and Child Health Handbook (*Oyako-Kenko-Techo*)

On submission of the Pregnancy Report Sheet issued by medical facilities, a Maternal and Child Health Handbook(*Oyako-Kenko-Techo*) is issued, and then health counseling and information about the activities of the Mother and Child Health Care is given.

• Nutrition Enrichment Project For Mothers and Children

Expectant and nursing mothers and infants of households on social welfare assistance, tax exemption of municipal (residence) and income tax, are supplied with nutritional foods for health maintenance and improvement. Please consult us, if you meet the conditions.

• Issuance of the medical examination form for expectant/nursing mothers and the examination form of hearing screening tests for newborn infants.

For receiving public subsidies, those examination forms are issued along with the Maternal and Child Health Handbook (*Oyako-Kenko-Techo*) to expectant mothers.

■Contact■

Fuji City Hall, *Kodomo Mirai Ka* (Child-Care Consultation Center)

Phone: 0545-55-2896

• Parenthood Classes for Mothers and Fathers

Prior to the birth of a first child, expectant mothers along with their husbands are offered information, reassurance and support through these classes for delivery and child care.

• Visiting service for new-born babies

We visit homes with new-born babies. Provided services: measuring baby's weight, checking the growth, consultation about the nursing and condition of the babies

• Weaning diet class

Learn the Weaning diet for babies; lecture, demonstrations, and tasting.

• Baby Health Check

Free Health Check at the age of the four month and ten month is provided at the hospitals which are contracted with Fuji-shi. The Health Check Form and Card will be sent to your house.

• Six-Month-Old Baby Classes • *Book Start Fuji*

These classes are for parents of six month-old children. Lectures about nutrition, playing with the childcare teachers, and private consultations are given.

Story Telling and free gifts may be given.

• Physical Checkups for Infant • Second Book Fuji (for 3 years old only)

Physical checkups are provided for one and half years old and three years old infants.

Medical interview, body measurement, general examinations, dental check, consultation of health, diet, and dental health, and fluoride are included.

Checkup for three-year-old infants include examination of urine and eyes. There are also special story time and book present for 3-year-old infants.

• Consultation for Parents and Children (reservation required)

Are there any worries concerning about raising children?

This consultation is for parents and children who are going to kindergartens and nurseries.

• Medical Treatment Cost Assistance for infertility and recurrent miscarriage.

This service is aimed to reduce economic burden on married couples who have concerns about infertility or recurrent miscarriage. Couples (either the husband or wife needs to live in Fuji-shi as of the date of the consultation) who are medical insurance subscribers and who are undergoing treatment for infertility or recurrent miscarriage in Japan are eligible.

• Application for Medical Care of Pre-mature babies

For babies whose birth weight is 2000 g. or less, or who are too weak and is suggested to be hospitalized by a doctor to survive, the hospitalization and treatment expenses made in a designated medical institution is subsidized. Applications are available in Philanse. Please contact the information below for the necessary documents.

■ Contact: *Fuji shi Philanse* Regional Public Health Division In Charge of General Affairs
(*Chiiki Hoken Ka,*)

Address: 432-1 Motoichiba, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-64-8994

• Immunizations ~Preventing Infections~

Various kinds of immunizations are available at certain times to prevent children from infections.

Hib Vaccine • Pediatric Pneumococcal Vaccine • Hepatitis B • 4 Combination Vaccine • Chickenpox • BCG • MR • Japanese Encephalitis Vaccine • 2 Combination Vaccine • Anti-uterine cancer

Vaccinations are available in other local areas within Shizuoka-ken, however specific documents by the Mayor of Fuji-shi are required.

As for optional vaccinations, influenza vaccinations for those from one-year-old to the 3rd grade high school students are subsidized.

■ Contact: *Fuji shi Philanse* Health Policy Division, Health Promotion Services

Address: 432-1 Motoichiba, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-64-9023

● Various Procedures to Complete When a Child is Born

• Birth Registration

Registration of a birth must be submitted within 14 days of birth by the mother and/or father.

◆ Necessary documents: Birth certificate, Maternal and Child Health Handbook, Residence cards or Special Permanent Resident Certificates of both parents

◆ Contact: Civil Registration Section, Citizen Division (*Koseki Jumin Tanto, Shimin Ka*)
Registration Personnel Window

Place: 2nd Floor, North side, Fuji City Hall

Phone: 0545-55-2749

◆ Office Hours: 8 : 30 a.m. ~ 5 : 15 p.m.

※In case of submitting only notification forms, you can submit them at the guard's room even after office hours.

● Requesting Lump Sum Birth Allowance

When a person who has the national health insurance gives birth, ¥420,000 is given to the head of household (in the case of twins and triplets, the amount depends on the number of the children).

When you complete the birth registration procedure at the Civil Division, please receive and fill out a Lump Sum Birth Allowance Request Form, and then submit the form to the National Health Insurance and Pension Division (*Kokuho Nenkin Ka*).

※The new paying system service (Paying the Lump Sum Birth Allowance from Fuji City directly to the medical institution) is available for birth deliveries after submitting the contract form to the medical institution where the birth delivery will be done. For more information, please contact the National Health Insurance and Pension Division (*Kokuho Nenkin Ka*).

◆ Necessary Items

National Health Insurance Card

Residence Card or Special Permanent Resident Card of the person who gave birth

Bill of delivery expenses details

Agreement documents on the direct payment system with the medical institution.

Seal

Something to show the head of household's bank account

※ If you or your partner have an insurance plan at your place of work, similar allowance should be available. Please consult with your employer for more information.

■Contact: National Health Insurance and Pension Division (*Kokuho Nenkin Ka*) , Fuji City Hall
(3rd Floor, North) 0545-55-2751

Health Insurance(*KENKO HOKEN*)

Every one who lives in Japan must enroll in a public health insurance.

The public health insurance covers 70 to 90% of medical costs , and there are also one-time allowances for childbirth, child care, and funeral services costs available. Japan's public health insurance is divided into two big groups. For employees there's "Social Insurance", and for the others, "National Health Insurance". For people aged 75 years old and up, there is *KOUKI KOUREISHA IRYOU SEIDO* (Medical Treatment System for Latter Elderly)

● Insurance at Work (Social Insurance) : *SHAKAI HOKEN*

An employee along with his/her family can be considered eligible to have a Social Insurance. Your employer will pay half of the insurance expense. Please ask your employer about your insurance policy.

● National Health Insurance: *KOKUHO*

People who cannot be enlisted in Social Health Insurance enroll in this insurance system. It is a Medical Insurance System of mutual aid to make people's economic burdens lighter. It is operated with the insurance taxes from subscribers and contributions of the country, prefecture, and city, so on.

◆ Eligibility for National Health Insurance

People who are registered in the Basic Resident Registration system, and do not belong to work place insurance program. Public assistance recipients are not eligible.

◆ Necessary items to apply for National Health Insurance

Residence Card or Special Permanent Resident Card (of all members of family who apply for), passport, seal (After July 9th 2012, the new resident card of each member of family is required)
The proof certification of your withdrawing from the Social Insurance (in case you have withdrawn from Social Insurance)

◆ Necessary items to withdraw from National Health Insurance

Public Health Insurance Certification, Social Insurance Certification or proof of admittance from Social Insurance (in case you have enrolled in Social Insurance)

Necessary notification for the following cases: File a report within 14 days at National Health Insurance and Pension Division (*Kokuho Nenkin Ka*), Fuji City Hall.

Change of address or name

When you go back to your country or move to a different city

Enlisted in Social Insurance etc.

※Notice!!

You can't use the Fuji City's Health Insurance in case such as moving to another city and having withdrawn from Fuji City National Health Insurance. You must return your insurance certification to National Health Insurance and Pension Division, Fuji City Hall.

●When You Visit Hospitals

Please submit your National Health Insurance Card at the reception when you visit a medical institution. However, you are responsible to pay 10-30% of the medical expenses (People over 70 years of age and under 75 years should present the health insurance card and the Elder Citizens medical card (*Korei jukyusha shou*)).

※Health examinations, immunizations, giving birth, some dental treatments, and some special cases are not covered by the insurance.

●Insurance Tax

Insurance tax is calculated according to your income, asset and so on.

A payment slip that shows your insurance tax will be sent to your home, so you can pay through financial institutions or transfer the money.

●Special Health Check-up • Special Health Guidance

This is implemented to control the ever rising medical expenses and to promote health management and prevention of lifestyle-related sicknesses like Diabetes.

Due to the result of their special health inspection, anyone who needs support to improve their lifestyle, the Special Health Guidance is implemented.

◆Target : 40~74 years old (Consultation tickets are sent to National Health Insurance subscribers as of April 1st, at the end of April)

◆Content: Blood test, electrocardiogram, urine test, doctor's check-up

◆Fee: 500yen (free for those who are exempted from residential taxes)

■Contact: National Health Insurance and Pension Division (*Kokuho Nenkin Ka*), Fuji City Hall
(3rd Floor, North) 0545-55-2917



National Pension (*KOKUMIN NENKIN*)

The “National Pension” is a public pension system administered by the Japanese government. All persons aged 20 to 59 years living in Japan (including non-Japanese residents) participate in this national pension system. It provides income security for people in old age, with disabilities and their death. Employees who work at work places under certain conditions joins the Employees’ Pension or Mutual-aid Plan

●Enrollment

Applications must be submitted to the National Health Insurance and Pension Division (*Kokuho Nenkin Ka*) of the City Hall. People who have withdrawn from their employee pension and mutual-aid system because of their retirement must report their status too.

▪ Pension Contributions

Upon completion of the pension enrollment procedures, the pension contributions must be paid. The payment notice with the amount of your pension contributions will be sent to you. Please pay at a financial institution, post-office, or convenience store. You may also apply for automatic transfer at a financial institution or post office. The contributions for holders of employees’ pension and mutual-aid will be automatically deducted from their salary and bonus.

▪ If you have a difficulty paying Pension Contributions

You can apply for exemption of the contributions if you have no or very low income. Please contact the National Health Insurance and Pension Division, Fuji City Hall for consultations.

●Benefits

The following benefits are provided by the National Pension.

▪ Old-age Basic Pension(*Rorei Kiso Nenkin*)

A pension holder who has paid his/her pension contributions for ten years or more, and has reached sixty five years old will receive the basic amount of pension.

▪ Disability Basic Pension (*Shogaisha Kiso Nenkin*)

A pension holder who has become disabled due to illnesses or injuries incurred during being covered by the national pension plan, is entitled to receive this type of pension.

・Survivors' Basic Pension (*Izoku Kiso Nenkin*)

When a member of the national pension plan or eligible recipient of the Basic Pension dies, his/her spouse and children younger than 18 years old are entitled to receive this type of pension. (Children with disabilities are entitled to receive the pension until they reach 20 years old.)

※Recipient qualification depends on each person, according to their conditions and status. For detailed information on the National Pension Plan, please consult at the National Health Insurance and Pension Division (*Kokuho Nenkin Ka*, City Hall) or at the Fuji Pension Office (*Nenkin-Jimusho*)

●In Case of Returning to your countries

The Withdrawal Lump Sum Payment is available for the National Pension and the Employees' Pension. When a pension holder has paid the premium for more than six months, he/she can receive a lump sum payment by applying for it within two years after returning home.

■Inquiries:

National Pension Section, National Health Insurance and Pension
Division(*Kokumin-Nenkin-Tanto, Kokuho Nenkin Ka*), Fuji City Hall
Place : The North Side of 3rd Floor, Fuji City Hall Tel: 0545-55-2755
Fuji Pension Office (*Fuji Nenkin-Jimusho*)

Address : 3-5-33, Yokowari, Fuji-shi Tel: 0545-61-1900



Housing and Living

Housing

There are several types of housing in Japan; Owned houses (detached houses, or flats so-called Mansion), Public housing (municipal, prefectural, and other institutional housing) and privately rented accommodation.

Public Housing

Public housing is available for people who have housing problems. Families with high income are not eligible for the public housing.

●Municipal Housing

There are 24 Municipal Housing Complexes in Fuji City. Those who wish to reside in the said housing must follow the procedures showed below.

Qualifications for Application

- Those who actually do not have proper housing to live in now.
*Those who already have been living in any public housing are not eligible to apply.
- Those who are going to live with more than two members of the family.
Those who are going to marry can apply as early as three months before their marriage.
- Those who are currently living or working in the city.
- Those who do not own a house. (Including shared name properties)
Those who have never failed to pay the municipal tax (municipal inhabitants' tax, fixed property tax, city planning tax, national health insurance tax, and light vehicle tax)
- Those who can get a cosigner (one close relative who has Japanese citizenship, lives in the city, and has assurance capability and such.) In the case you have no relatives in Japan, please consult the person in charge.
*Those who are currently residing in public housing are not eligible to be a cosigner.
When foreign residents apply, the cosigner does not have to be a close relative.
- Those who meet the given income criteria
$$\{ \text{Income} - (\text{number of family member not including oneself} \times \text{¥}380,000 + \text{amount of special deduction}) \} \div 12 \text{months} =$$

Monthly amount for an average household	Less than ¥158,000
Monthly amount for a household with special needs	Less than ¥214,000

※ If more than one person has income, the sum of the income is considered as income in calculation above.

※ As for single person's application, a household with special needs, conditions of guarders, and so on, please contact the branch office of Shizuoka Prefecture Housing Supply Corp.

- Those who are not gangsters (members of an organized crime group).
- Those who do not have a record of unpaid municipal housing rent, unpaid housing repair fee, or have not been engaged in troublesome behavior in the past. (All family members of the applicant)

Documents to be submitted

- Document that shows your current income (Income tax certificate, withholding slip, income certificate and such)
- Certificate of Residence (All the members of family who will reside together must be listed.)
- Health Insurance Card
- Others; in some cases, some documents may be requested for submission.

Application and Selection

[Application Accepted Regularly]

1. Application : From the middle of every month to the end of the month.
Please ask the branch office of Shizuoka Prefecture Housing Supply Corp about the exact period. (Except Saturdays and Sundays, holidays, and the end of the year)
2. Lottery and Briefing Session : Please Come to the designated place at designated time in person. Tenants are determined by an open lottery.
3. Available date of moving in: The first day of the month after the following month of your application.
4. Applicants must be present at specified time and place for the housing lottery.

[Application Accepted at Any Time]

1. Application: Every day (Except Saturdays and Sundays, holidays, and the end of the year)
2. Lottery: None. Please contact the branch office of Shizuoka Prefecture Housing Supply Corp for details.
3. Available date of moving in: The first day of the next month after the contract date.
4. Room repair starts upon your application. It may take longer than expected.

■Application and information

The branch office of Shizuoka Prefecture Housing Supply Corp Tel.0545-55-2817

●Prefectural Housing (*KENEI JUTAKU*)

Prefectural Housing (*KENEI JUTAKU*) is administered by prefectural government (Shizuoka ken). Contact the offices below for detailed information.

■Application and information

The branch office of Shizuoka Prefecture Housing Supply Corp.

(South side of the 5th floor, Fuji City Hall main building) Tel. 0545-55-2817

*At the branch office, only application for prefectural housing in Fuji-shi and Fujinomiya-shi is available.

How to find Housing for Rent

Real estate agencies (*FUDOSAN YA*) are useful to find houses and apartments for rent. They introduce properties which would suite your requirement, such as cost, space, location, and others. When you rent a house, in addition to rent, you must also pay for the deposit, key money, and the commission to the agency. A joint surety is required when you sign the contract.

◆ Real Estate Agencies (*FUDOSAN YA*) : They sell and introduce rent properties and also work as mediators.

※Rent (*YACHIN*)

The amount of money you pay every month to your landlords.

※Deposit (*SHIKIKIN*)

The Amount of a deposit is usually equal to 1 ~ 3 months' rent (it varies depending on the region). The deposit is allotted to the payment of the rent you have not paid or of the repair when you move out. The rest, if there is any, is given back to you.

※Key Money (*REIKIN*) : The Amount of key money is usually equal to 1 ~ 2 month's rent (it varies depending on regions), and it is not be paid back.

※Joint Surety (*RENTAI HOSHONIN*): Someone who pays rent and repair expenses when tenants fail to do so. A Joint Surety is usually required to have a certain level of regular income.

Please contact your real estate agencies for more information.

Living

Electricity, Gas, and Water

Ask your real estate agency or your landlord to use electricity, gas, and water when you move into the property. You can directly request to each office by telephone.

Make sure that your cooking device is proper to each gas supply system; CITY GAS or PROPANE GAS.

■Contact

- Electricity

Tokyo Electric Power Company, Numazu Customer Center Tel.0120-995901

3-7-25 Otemachi, Numazu-shi

- Gas

City Gas: Shizuoka Gas Co. Fuji Branch Tel.0545-52-2260

10-52 Aratajima-cho, Fuji-shi

Propane Gas: Your nearest Propane Gas Retailers

- Water

Contact by mail or telephone to start water supply.

Fuji City Water and sewerage Customer Center (Jenets Co. Ltd as outsourcing agency)

Address: 441-1 Motoichiba , Fuji-shi (1st Fl. *Shizuoka-ken Sougo chousha*) Tel.0545-67-2873

< Office Hours >

Weekday 8 : 30 a.m. ~ 17 : 15 p.m.

Saturday 8 : 30 a.m. ~ noon (Except holidays)

●Water Supply

Fuji City Water Service is drawn from 83 sources (80 underground wells, 2 surface water, 1 spring).

All the water is sterilized and is supplied to each household.

●Sewage System

Sewage from each household is sent to a sewage disposal plant (sewage treatment facility) through a drain pipe, and is purified before it's drained to the sea or the river.

Please contact immediately in these cases:

- When you are moving out. (To settle the bill)
- When you do not use water for a long period due to business trip or other reasons
- When the user of the water changes

Water and Sewage rate

- Water Rate

Water bill is charged by the basic charge plus the metered rate (for the amount used), and is charged once every 2 months.

- Sewage Rate

The amount of rate collected from each household is used to operate and maintain the drain system. The sewage rate is charged according to the amount of water use. The user of City Water is charged from combined expense of water and sewage.

- Water and sewage rate payment using bank account transfer is convenient and recommended.

There are also Local Water Supply Associations as well as the City Water in Fuji City.

Users of these Local Water Supply Associations are charged by each association, and their sewage rate is charged by City Water.

■Contact : Fuji City Water and Sewerage Customer Center
 (Veolia Jenetsu Co. Ltd as outsourcing agency)
 441-1 Motoichiba , Fuji-shi (1st Fl. *Shizuoka-ken Sougo chousha*) Tel.0545-67-2873

Certificate of Residence

How to apply for a copy of Certificate of Residence

By the Basic Resident Registration Act that was amended on July 9, 2012, resident records are now made for eligible foreign residents and their Certificate of Residence are available to be issued in the same way as Japanese citizens.

Eligible persons for application

- (1) Medium- to long-term residents
- (2) Special permanent residents
- (3) Persons granted permission for temporary refuge or permission for provisional stay in Japan
- (4) Persons who may continue to stay transitionally in Japan due to recent birth or the renouncement of Japanese nationality

※Persons "with short stay" or "without residence status" are not eligible for a Certificate of Residences.

Place & opening hour to apply

Place to apply	Opening Hours
Citizens Department at Fuji City Hall	Monday to Friday : 8:30am - 5:15pm Every first Sunday : 9:00am - 4:00pm (Except national holidays, first Sunday of January and periods from December 29 to January 3)

Persons who can apply

- Principal
- A member of same household
- A proxy who delegated by the principal or the member of the same household

Necessary items

- Fee (300 yen per copy)
- Identification to confirm the person (one of the identification list shown below)
- A proxy letter (in case of a proxy)

In the proxy letter, please write your name which is stated in the residence card/special permanent resident certificate. The common name is not acceptable.

Identification to confirm the person

- Resident card, Special Permanent Resident Certificate
- Driver's License
- Health Insurance Card
- Medical Care Insurance Card for older senior citizens
- Nursing Care Insurance Card
- Individual Number Card (*My Number Card*)
- other identification certificate issued by public offices, other written permits

Note

- When you apply issuance of a Certificate of Residence and file a Change of Address Notification on the same day, the address after your move is printed in the copy of the Certificate of Residence. (Please apply issuance of a Certificate of Residence and file a Change of Address Notification at the same time, not before filing a Change of Address Notification.)
- If you have moved before July 9, 2012 , your former address would not be listed in your Certificate of Residence. In case you need the proof of such address, you have to request disclosure of your Alien Registration original slip to Ministry of Justice.

If you want your Individual Number stated in the certificate copy of residence (*Jyu-Min-Hyo*), request that at the counter.

Inquiry

Ministry of Justice Minister's Secretariat, Personal Information Protection Section

Address : 〒 100-8977 1-1-1, Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Telephone : 03-3580-4111 (extension 2034)

Opening hour : 9:30 a.m. - noon & 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

(Except Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays)

Other way to apply issuance of Certificate of Residence

<To apply issuance of a copy of a Certificate of Residence of Fujinomiya-shi in Fuji-shi>

Only for persons who register resident record in Fuji-shi or Fujinomiya-shi can mutually apply issuance of a copy of Certificate of Residence in either Fuji-shi or Fujinomiya-shi (mutual issuance service of certificate). Persons who can apply are limited to the same household. We don't accept any application from a proxy with a proxy letter.

Seal registration (*Inkan Touroku*)

About seal registration

Seal registration means that you register your seal (*Inkan*) to authenticate it as your individual seal. "*Jitsuin*" means a registered seal. It is necessary for buying and selling real estate, and important for protection of personal property and right.

Your Seal Registration Card is issued after your seal is recorded. This card is necessary for issuance of a Seal Registration Certificate.



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※2

※1 is a Seal Registration Card.

※2 is a Seal Registration Card having been published in former Fujikawa-cho.
This card is still acceptable.

How to apply your seal registration

<Place, opening hour & fee to apply>

Place to apply	Citizens Department at Fuji City Hall
Opening hours	Monday to Friday : 8:30am - 5:15pm Every first Sunday: 9:00am - 4:00pm (Except national holidays, first Sunday of January and periods from December 29 to January 3)
Registration fee	350 yen

<Eligible persons for seal registration>

You have to be citizen of Fuji-shi, 15 years or older and have already enrolled in Basic Resident Register. However an adulthood ward is not eligible for a seal registration.

<When you as a principal visit Fuji City Hall to apply registration, you need>

- Your seal to register.
- Identification to confirm you (one of the following items in group A shown below)

In case you don't have the item to confirm you; you can register your seal with either guarantor registration or person confirmation by mail.

Identification items to confirm the person	
Group A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Resident card, Special Permanent Resident Certificate ● Driver's License ●Individual Number Card (My Number Card)●other identification certificate with photograph of your face issued by public offices, other written permits

<When your proxy visits City Hall to apply registration in place of you, he/she needs>

- **Your seal to register**
- **Proxy letter**
- **Seal of your proxy (his/her regular personal seal (*Mitome-in*) is acceptable.)**

You as a principal must make the proxy letter with your handwriting.

We confirm the person by mail. Therefore we can not issue it on the same day. In case of urgency, please apply registration earlier.

<Seal which can be registered>

- A seal impression must be different from the one which another member of households has already registered.
- In case of a foreigner, your seal could be carved with your full name, family name, first name or a combination of a part of your alias registered with Basic Resident Register. It can be carved with the katakana notation of your registered full name or a combination of a part of it.
- The qualification, occupation, curlicue, decoration pattern other than name must not be carved.
- The height of the seal should be more than 2cm. One side of seal impression must be larger than a square 8mm on each side and the seal must fit into the square of one side of 25mm.
- The seal impression must be clear. (A rubber seal whose face is liable to deform is unacceptable. The seal whose rim is chipped or worn is also unacceptable.)

Abolition of seal registration (lost, change of a seal)

Abolition procedure of a seal registration is performed when you do not need seal registration for your personal reasons or other reasons. This procedure is also performed when you have lost a Seal Registration Card or a registered seal or when you change a registered seal.

In case you change your registered seal or wish re-registration by having lost your registered seal, you need to perform a same procedure as new registration after completion of abolition. Please refer to "**How to apply your seal registration**" stated above.

<When you as a principal apply abolition, you need>

- Seal Registration Card (if you have one)
- Identification to confirm yourself (one of either list A group or B group below)

<When your proxy applies abolition in place of you, he/she needs>

- Seal Registration Card (if you have one)
- Proxy Letter (needs to be an autograph letter written by the person who abolishes his/her seal registration)
- Seal of the proxy
- Identification to confirm the proxy (one of either list A group or B group below)

Identification to confirm the person	
Group A	●Resident card, Special Permanent Resident Certificate ● Driver's License ●Individual Number Card ●other identification certificate with photograph of your face issued by public offices, other written permits
Group B	●Health Insurance Card ●Nursing Care Insurance Card ●Medical Care Insurance Card for older senior citizens ●Employee ID Card with photograph of face ●Identification certificate issued by public offices

Issuance of Seal Registration Certificate

<Place & opening hour to apply>

Place for application	Opening hours
Citizens Department at Fuji-city City Hall	Monday to Friday : 8:30am - 5:15pm Every first Sunday : 9:00am - 4:00pm (Except national holidays, first Sunday of January and periods from December 29 to January 3)

The person who can issue Seal Registration Certificate

- Principal
- Proxy

Necessary items

- Fee (300 yen per copy)
- Seal Registration Card of the principal

Note

- Your seal is not necessary.
- When your proxy appears at office, a letter of proxy is not necessary.
- You can also apply with a Seal Registration Card which was issued in former Fujikawa-cho.
- If you apply issuance of a Seal Registration Certificate and file a Notification of Address Change on the same day, the address after your move will be printed in a Seal Registration Certificate. (Please apply issuance of a Seal Registration Certificate and file a Notification of Address Change on the same day, not before filing a Notification of Address Change.)

Other way to issue Seal Registration Certificate

<To apply in Fujinomiya-shi>

You can apply issuance of your Seal Registration Certificate in Fujinomiya-shi. In addition, you can also apply issuance of your Seal Registration Certificate of Fujinomiya-shi in Fuji-shi. (Mutual issuance service of certificates)

The person who can apply is limited to the principal and a member of the same household. You need a fee (300 yen per copy), Seal Registration Card of the principal, and Identification of the person who appears at window such as Driver's License or Health Insurance Card etc.

●Application for any other Registrations

When foreign nationals have moved, had a child, married, or died in Japan, following registrations are necessary.

•Moving- in /out

- After moving in the city, you must report that within 14 days.

What you need: notification of change of residence, your residence card (*Zairyu*-card) or special permanent resident certificate, Individual Number Card or the notification card.

- Before moving out the city, you must report that from the day that is 14 days prior to the day of moving out.

What you need: all sorts of insurance cards, recipient certificates and Seal Registration Card (if you have) issued by Fuji City.

- When moving within the city, you must report that within 14 days after the moving day.

What you need: all sorts of insurance cards and recipient certificates issued by Fui-shi, your residence card (*Zairyu*-card)/special permanent resident certificate and Individual Number Card or the notification card.

• Birth Report

A report must be made by father or mother within 14 days after the birth.

A filled birth registration, Mother-child notebook (*Boshikenko-techo*), and the child's parents' Residence Card or Special Permanent Resident Card are necessary.

• Marriage Report

As necessary documents and procedures differ according to the party's nationality, ask at *Koseki-Jumin* Section of *Shimin-ka*.

• Death Report

The report must be made by a family member or his/her housemate at the City Hall within 7 days after his/her death.

His/Her Residence Card or Special Permanent Resident Card must be returned to Nagoya Regional Immigration Bureau Shizuoka Branch within 14 days after his/her death.

What you need: A filled death report, Residence Card/Special Permanent Resident Certificate of the deceased • Residence Card/Special Permanent Resident Certificate of the person who submits the report.

Inquiry: *Koseki-Jumin* Section of *Shimin-ka* (Citizen's Division)

■ NOTICE ■

- About Resident Registration System for Foreign Residents

Website of Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

http://www.soumu.go.jp/main_sosiki/jichi_gyousei/c-gyousei/zairyu/index.html

- About the System for Immigrations and Status of Residence for foreigners

Website of Immigration Bureau of Japan

<http://www.immi-moj.go.jp/index.html>

For more information, see the Web Pages shown below.

- The new Resident Registration System for Foreign Residents

Pets

- Those who keep a pet / Those who began to keep a pet

Obligations as a pet owner are ordered by law.

- Registration of a dog (Report to Fuji-shi)

Place to register: Environment General Affairs Division, Fuji City Hall

Animal hospitals in the city

Cost: 3000 yen for a dog

The dog license that issued upon registration must be put on the dog.

When you have moved, the procedure of changing the address in the registration is necessary.

- Rabies Prevention Injection (once a year)

Place: Animal hospitals in the city

What to bring: *Aiken-Techo* (record book handed out upon registration)

Cost: 3500 yen (2950 yen for the injection, 550 yen for the fee to issue the vaccination tag)

You have to put the vaccination tag on your dog.

- Re-issuance of “dog license” and “vaccination tag”.

Place: Environment General Affairs Division, 10th floor, Fuji City Hall

Cost: 1600yen (dog license), 340yen (vaccination tag)

- How to keep dogs ~to prevent trouble with others~

Do not keep the dog unleashed.

Those who can control the dog must walk the dog on the leash.

Take dog feces back home for disposal.

Keep and train your dog in a suitable way for the breed and their trait.

- Cats

- Keep your cat indoor. (If you keep it outdoor, it may get illness or injury)

- Those who are feeding stray cats.

~If you only feed them, the number of cats increases, they will spoil the area with their feces and will cause trouble with neighbors.~

Do not leave food. Put it away immediately. (Feed them with just enough amount of food and water at one place and at a set hour.)

Set a litter place. (Try to have the cats pee and poop at the same place, not at other places.)

Take castration and infertility operations. (Fuji-shi offers subsidy for the surgery. Ask Environment General Affairs Division, Fuji City Hall for details)

Try to have your neighbors understand your activity. (Tell your neighbors about the situations and get their understanding.)

●General manners to keep a pet

Owners must dispose of their waste.

Once you get a pet, keep it to the end.

Put on an ID tag or implant a microchip.

When your pet gets lost, report that to the three places bellow:

- Environment General Affairs Division, Fuji City Hall Tel. 0545-55-2768
- Fuji Health Care center (*Hokenjyo*), *Eisei-Yakumu-Ka* Tel. 0545-65-2154
- Fuji Police Station, Accounting Division Tel.0545-51-0110

●Take anti-disaster measures for your pet

Necessary things for evacuation: roller bag, crate(cage) and so on.

Necessary things for refuge life: crate(cage), food and water(for 5days), plate/bowl, things for waste, (therapy food, medicine).

● When you cannot keep your pet anymore for some reason, find a new owner.

As one of the ways to exchange informations, there is a bulletin board called “*Pocchi & Nyanchi no Ai no Dengon Ban*” set on the north side of the ground floor of the City Hall. You can write necessary information (contact information, features of your pet, DOB, etc.) in the special form kept there, attach a picture of your pet, post it on the board on your own. The post will be kept for a month. It is direct interaction with a potential new owner.

Ordinance for manners

There is a municipal ordinance to regulate acts like following

●No littering.

It is prohibited to litter on public and private land. Cigarette butts and empty cans must be put in a trash can or brought back your home.

●Do not leave waste of your cat/dog.

It is prohibited to leave their feces on public and private land. Bring it back home for disposal.

●Manner for smoking

Be mindful of next three things when you smoke.

(1) Do not cause damage to other people’s body, cloths or belongings.

(2) Do not smoke when walking or riding a bike.

(3) Smoke only where there is an ash tray/bin, or use a portable ash tray.

●Reaction to violators.

Names, address and such of violators for littering and leaving pet’s feces will go to public as the case may be.

■ Contact ■

Kankyo-Seisaku-Tanto, Environment General Affair Division, Fuji City Hall (10th floor, south side)
Tel.0545-55-2901



Taxes

Taxes are used to fund administrative services to ensure a comfortable life for residents and are paid by everyone. There are national and local (municipal and prefectural taxes) taxes in Japan.

National Taxes

Income Tax and Consumption Tax are major ones.

•Income Tax and Special Income Tax for Reconstruction

This is the tax paid depending on the income that you got from January 1st to December 31st of the year. There are two kinds of income tax systems. One is self-assessed taxpaying, in which taxpayers, who are independent workers, calculate and file their income to pay tax, and the other is a system of withholding taxes for employees, so-called salaried workers.

The Special Income Tax for Reconstruction, is used for reconstruction of damages from the Great Tohoku Earthquake. It is to be paid along with the income tax from 2013 until 2037. This tax is computed by multiplying regular income tax by 2.1%. The regular income tax and special income tax must be declared and paid at the same time.

•Final Income Tax Return: This is the procedure for paying tax in which taxpayers calculate their own annual income (the period beginning from January 1st to December 31st) and declare and pay the due amount of tax based on their calculation.

•Year-end Tax Adjustment: Income tax is collected at the source for employees, so called salaried workers, every month. In December, when his/her final wage of the year is paid, his/her exact annual income must be calculated and compared with the amount of tax s/he has already paid. Then his/her company settles up the right amount for him/her.

If his/her company made year-end tax adjustment and s/he has no other income, and s/he has no medical expense deduction, s/he does not have to file the Final Income Tax Return.

•Consumption/Sales Tax and Local Consumption Tax

As a rule, there is a sales tax on all kinds of expenditures and services.

The consumption tax rate in Japan is 10%.

■Contact: Fuji Taxation Office 297-1 Motoichiba, Fuji-shi 0545-61-2460

Local Taxes

Resident / Inhabitant Tax and Vehicle tax / Light Vehicle Tax are major local taxes.

●Resident / Inhabitant Tax

Resident/Inhabitant tax is levied on income earned during the previous year and paid to the local government of one's residence as of January 1st. During the period of February 16th to March 15th, all taxpayers must file their income of the previous year to the City Hall.

※Those who do not need to file their income

· Those who had no income in the previous year

※However, those who apply for an income certificate, child allowance, or public housing, or request calculation of National health Insurance rate, must file their income even though they have no income.

· Those who only have salary and public pensions income from the previous year, and whose payroll or public pension payment reports are year-end adjusted in their place of employment and submitted to the city hall.

※However, those who apply for medical bills exemption must file a declaration.

· Those who have filed Final Income Tax Return.

■Contact: Department of Municipal Taxes, Division 1 (*Shimin-zei Daiichi-Tanto, Shimin-zei-ka*)
Place: 3rd Floor, Southside of Fuji City Hall 0545-55-2734

●Vehicle Tax (Four-wheeled car with 660cc or over)

This is levied on those who own automobile as of April 1st. The amount of tax is determined according to displacement volume.

The tax payment slip is sent by prefecture government at the beginning of May and the tax must be paid at banks or convenience stores by the end of May. (On Saturdays, Sundays or a Bank holidays, the tax must be paid by the next ordinary weekday.)

■Contact: Office of Fuji Financial Affairs, Tax Department, Tax Division 1 (*Kazei-ka Kazei Dai Ippan*) 441-1 Motoichiba, Fuji-shi 0545-65-2118

●Light Vehicle Tax (Motorbikes and Four-wheeled Light Vehicles so called *Kei-jidousha* with less than 660cc)

Light Vehicle Tax is levied on owners (as of April 1) of light vehicles, motorized bicycles, compact special vehicles (agricultural tractor, forklift, etc.) and large and small motorcycles. The amount of tax is determined according to displacement volume and the type of vehicle. The municipal government sends out a notice by the middle of May, and owners are requested to pay by the end of May, at banks or convenience stores. (On Saturdays, Sundays or a Bank holidays, the tax must be paid by the next weekday.)

■Contact: Department of Municipal Taxes, Division 2 (*Shimin-zei Dai-2-Tanto, Shimin-zei-ka*, City Hall 3rd Floor, Southside of Fuji City Hall 0545-55-2735

●Where to pay

For the payment of local taxes, please bring a statement of payment with you and submit it to the following:

*If you lost or damaged the statement of payment, please report to the Tax Collection Division.

1. Financial institution

You can pay your taxes at financial institutions authorized by Fuji City, authorized financial institutions as proxies for Fuji City, Japan Post Bank, post offices and financial institutions for payment acceptance service.

2. Convenience stores specified on a tax notice

The municipal inhabitant tax and the prefectural tax — (these taxes being levied on an ordinary-collection basis), a fixed property tax, city planning tax, light automobile tax and national health insurance tax can be paid at convenience stores.

Please bring your payment statement slip with bar codes printed to a convenience store and pay by cash.

Even on Saturdays/Sundays and in the night time, taxes can be paid during business hours at the convenience store.

(A statement slip with no bar code printed, a past-due payment statement and a statement slip showing corrected amounts are not acceptable.)

3. Fuji City Hall

Branch office of the authorized financial institution (on the 2nd floor of the city hall)

●Account transfer (Automatic transfer)

Account transfer (or automatic transfer) means that a financial institution pays your taxes on behalf of yourself by transferring a tax due automatically from your designated account. You are recommended to use this transfer method to prevent the possibility of failure to pay your taxes; you can gain peace of mind.

●Consultation about tax payment

When it is getting difficult for you to pay municipal taxes due to illness, a slump in business or other reasons, please consult us about your difficult conditions as soon as possible.

■ Contact ■

Person in charge of tax collection, Tax Collection Division, Fuji City Hall

(South side on the 3rd floor of the city hall)

Tel: 0545-55-2730, 2771



Public Facilities in Fuji City

Information on public facilities, tourist, and recreation facilities in Fuji City

◆ Central and local halls, libraries, museums, and other cultural facilities

● Rose Theater (Fuji City Cultural Hall)

Address: 1750 Tadehara-cho, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-60-2510

Since its opening in 1993 it has become the center for cultural activities in the community.

Wide range of events, such as music concerts, performing arts, and lectures have been held in the three main halls which vary in size from large, medium and to small.

- Opening Hours : 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Closed : Year end and new year holidays and legal inspection days.

● Fuji Paper Art Museum

Address: 1750 Tadehara-cho, Fuji-shi 1st floor, Rose Theater (Fuji City Cultural Hall)

Phone: 0545-32-6581

This is a facility for “Paper Art” exhibitions opened in November 2016.

In the exhibition space, 3 or 4 planned exhibitions are held a year.

In the exchange space, information service for paper art and workshops are offered.

- Opening hours:
10:00 a.m. ~ 7:00 p.m.
- Closed: Days when Rose Theater (Fuji City Cultural Hall) is closed.
(There are periods for changing exhibitions)

● La Hall Fuji

Address: 2-7-11 Chuo-cho, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-53-300

This is a public facility mainly for social welfare of workers.

It is available for meetings, training sessions, musical and dance recitals, parties, social and cultural activities, health promotion activities, recreation, etc

- Opening Hours : 9 : 00 a.m. to 9 : 30 p.m. (Reception opens 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.)
- Closed : Year end and new year holidays only

● The Mt. Fuji and Princess Kaguya Museum (Municipal Museum)

Address: 66-2 Denbo, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-21-3380

With the grand concept of “People who live in Fuji -The History and Culture of the City of Paper”, the museum offers distinctive exhibitions under the main theme of “Mt. Fuji and Princess

Kaguya”.

The entrance on the 2nd floor leads to *Furusato Mura* Village in Hiromi Park, where you can visit the old *Inagaki*'s house and other six historical buildings.

The annex of the museum, History and Folklore Museum shows living styles of each local area in Fuji City that has elevation differences within itself, and life in war time. In addition, there are also exhibitions of the local industry, ” Paper” and contemporary education.

Besides these exhibitions, the museum organizes special exhibitions, workshops of yearly events, concerts in the old Japanese-style house and “Museum Day” when you can experience various one-day events every month.

- Opening Hours : 9:00~17:00 (April~October)
9:00~16:30 (November~March)
- Closed : Monday(open if it is Holiday), Next day of Holiday, Year-end and New Year Holiday
- Admission Fee : Free of charge

●**Machizukuri Centers (Local Community centers/halls)**

Machizukuri Centers are local, social, and educational facilities for local citizens. Unprofitable and unreligious local groups/society organized mainly by citizens (five or over) living/working in Fuji City and neighboring areas can use for meetings, events, and classes for cultural activities.

- Usable Hours : Morning 9 : 00~12 : 00
Afternoon 13 : 00~17 : 00
Evening 18 : 00~21 : 15
- Holidays : Every 3rd Sunday, Bank Holidays, Year end and new year holiday, etc.

- How to Register

To use *Machizukuri* Center, the group/society need to be examined for qualification to be approved and then registered. Apply to the reception of the Center between 8:30 and 17:00 for the registration. Registration of the already registered groups/societies need to be renewed annually.

- How and when to Apply

Submit the ‘Application Form’ (*Shiyou Syounin Shinseisyo*) to the *Machizukuri* Center. Accepting application starts from the first day of the month, 2 months prior to the actual use month to 3 days before the actual use date. When the first day of the month is Saturday, Sunday or a holiday, the application acceptance starts from the following weekday.

Accepting Hours

Applications are acceptable between 8:30 and 17:00 on weekdays only

A Night staff accept “Application form” at night, on Sundays and Saturdays.

However, when the first day of the month is Saturdays or Sundays, the form cannot be

accepted.

Please make sure to confirm whether you could reserve a room or not by telephone or coming directly to the center between 8:30 and 17:00 on weekdays.

Please note that reservation will be cancelled without confirmation.

Provisional Reservation by telephone

Provisional reservations are accepted on the phone from 9:00 to 17:00 on weekdays.

Submit the “Application form” within 7 days after the provisional reservations.

The reservation will be cancelled without finishing any required paperwork in time.

• Cancellation

When no one can visit the Center for reservation or cancellation during opening hours, contact us ASAP (acceptable by phone)

• Refusal of use

Application for use of the facilities will not be accepted if any of the following circumstances apply.

→It is deemed likely that the proposed use will violate public order or corrupt public morals.

→It is deemed likely that the proposed use will damage facilities or equipment.

→It is deemed likely that the proposed use will lead to profits for an organization.

→It is deemed likely that the proposed use will lead to political or religious activities.

→It is deemed likely that the proposed use will obstruct the administration or operation of the facility.

→Adding to the above cases, it is deemed likely that the mayor judge the use is not appropriate.

• There is a Residents Service Center organized in every *Machizukuri* Center which is the closest place you can go to get documents like Certificate of Residency, Seal Registry Certification and other important documents. Furthermore, the fees and things you have to bring (like the claimers seal etc.) depend on the certification that you will be applying.

Please contact the *Machizukuri* Center for details.

※ Available Certifications:

- Family Registration Certificate
- Individual Registration Certificate
- Identification Card
- Certificate of Residency Copy (including Foreigners)
- Seal Registration Certificate (including Foreigners)
- Existing Pension Certificate (Present Pension Certificate)
- Certification of income
- Income tax Certificate
- Fixed Assets Estimation Certificate

- Fix Assets Tax Certificate]
- Tax Certificate
- Certification of tax for low displacement cars

※Please look up the top page of the Fuji City Web Site for more information on the 26 *machizukuri* Center within Fuji City.

■Contact

Machizukuri-ka (Local community division)

3rd Floor, North side of Fuji City Hall Phone: 0545-55-2705

●Libraries

To borrow any library materials (books, CDs, and DVDs), the Library card must be presented. Anyone who has a library card may borrow books. A library card is issued on the spot when an application is made, by filling out an application form from the service table and showing an identification card with your name, current address, date of birth, period of residence (Resident card, etc.).

Cards are issued on the spot to the people with Special Permanent Residence Qualifications, provided that the certificate card is showed.

When the Library card is lost or damaged, 100 yen is charged to the card holder as a reissuance fee. Library cards cannot be transferred, lent or borrowed.

<Information on public facilities>

□*CHUO TOSHOKAN* (Central Library)

Address: 3-7 Nagata-kita cho, Fuji-shi Tel. : 0545-51-4946

Open: Tuesdays~Fridays 9:00 a.m.~7:00 p.m.

Saturdays•Sundays•Holidays 9:00 a.m.~5:00 p.m.

Closed: Mondays (Open if Monday is a National holiday, but it will be closed the next day)

Library cleaning day: (The 4th Friday of the month), Year-end holidays

Special period for rearrangement of books: (about one week or two in Autumn)

■*NISHI TOSHOKAN* (West Library)

Address: 20-1 Fuji-cho, Fuji-shi Tel.: 0545-64-2110

Open: Tuesday~Friday 9:30~19:00

Saturdays, Sundays, and National holidays 9:30~17:00

Closed: Mondays (Open if Monday is a National holiday, but it will be closed the next day)

Library cleaning day: (The 2nd Friday of the month), Year-end holidays

Special period for rearrangement of books: (about 1 week in February)

■ *HIGASHI TOSHOKAN*(East Library) (inside the Yoshinaga Machizukuri Center)

Address: 1447-1 Hina, Fuji-shi Tel. : 0545-38-1550

Open: 9:00~17:00 (open until 19:00 on weekdays of August)
Closed: Mondays, National holidays (open on May 5th and Nov. 3rd)
Library cleaning day: (The 2nd Friday of the month), Year-end holidays
Special period for rearrangement of books: (about 1 week in Autumn)

■ **FUJI BUNKO**(Fuji Library) (joint establishment with the Takaoka *Shimin* Plaza)

Address: 797-1 Kuzawa, Fuji-shi Tel. : 0545-72-1612
Open: 9:00~17:00 (open until 19:00 on weekdays of August)
Closed: Mondays, National holidays (open on May 5th and Nov. 3rd)
Library cleaning day: (The 2nd Friday of the month), Year-end holidays
Special period for rearrangement of books: (about 1 week in Autumn)

■ **CHUO TOSHOKAN IMAIZUMI BUNSHITSU**(Central Library Imaizumi Branch)
(adjacent to the Imaizumi *Machizukuri* Center)

Address: 7-12-43 Imaizumi, Fuji-shi Tel. : 0545-57-3737
Open: 9:00~17:00
Closed: Mondays, National holidays (open on May 5th and Nov. 3rd)
Library cleaning day: (The 2nd Friday of the month), Year-end holidays
Special period for rearrangement of books: (about 1 week in Autumn)

■ **CHUO TOSHOKAN TAGOURA BUNSHITSU**(Central Library Tagoura Branch)
(inside the Tagoura *Machizukuri* Center)

Address: 232 Nakamaru, Fuji-shi Tel. : 0545-66-4901
Open: 9:00~17:00
Closed: Mondays, National holidays (open on May 5th and Nov. 3rd)
Library cleaning day: (The 2nd Friday of the month), Year-end holidays
Special period for rearrangement of books: (about 1 week in Autumn)

■ **CHUO TOSHOKAN OBUCHI BUNSHITSU**(Central Library Obuchi Branch)
(inside the Obuch *Machizukuri* Center)

Address: 2885-4 Obuchi, Fuji-shi Tel. no.: 0545-35-0222
Open: 9:00~17:00
Closed: Mondays, National holidays (open on May 5th and Nov. 3rd)
Library cleaning day: (The 2nd Friday of the month), Year-end holidays
Special period for rearrangement of books: (about 1 week in Autumn)

■ **CHUO TOSHOKAN FUJIKAWA BUNSHITSU**(Central Library Fujikawa Branch)
(inside the Fujikawa Community Hall)

Address: 855-39 Iwabuchi, Fuji-shi Tel. : 0545-81-4814
Open: 9:00~17:00

Closed: Mondays, National holidays (open on May 5th and Nov. 3rd)
Library cleaning day: (The 2nd Friday of the month), Year-end holidays
Special period for rearrangement of books: (about 1 week in Autumn)

■ **DEGOICHI BUNKO**(Degoichi Bunko Library) (inside the Iriyamase Park)

Address: 12-1 Takaoka-honcho, Fuji-shi Tel.: 0545-71-9044

Open: Tuesday~Saturday 14:00~17:00 (May~September)
13:00~16:00 (October~April)

Sundays and Summer holidays 9:00~12:00

Closed: Mondays (if Monday is a national holiday, Tuesday will also be closed), National holidays, summer holidays (Aug. 13th ~ Aug. 17th), Year-end holidays.

● **Fuji-shi Koryu Center**

It is a complex consisting of an ‘Exchange Center’, which has a multipurpose hall with a capacity of 400 people, meeting room and music room.

‘Municipal West Library’ and ‘Fuji International Lounge for Sharing’

Address: 20-1, Fuji-cho, Fuji-shi tel.0545-65-5523

Opening hours: 9:00 to 22:00

Holidays: Year end and New Year days and other official closing days.

● **FUJISAN MESSE (Fuji City industrial exchange exhibition)**

Address: 189-8 Yanagishima, Fuji-shi tel.0545-65-6000

Fujisan Messe is a multipurpose exhibition hall for various kinds of exhibitions, events and conferences. It is located on the north of Shinkansen Shin-Fuji station from where you can look up Mt. Fuji. Introducing magnificent charm of Fuji city, as the industrial center aiming exchange through people, industry and goods. Fujisan Messe has functional space with 4,000 square meters of large Exhibition Hall, Convention Hall or sub Exhibition Hall and outdoor Exhibition space.

● **ASTY SHIN-FUJI**

Address: 654-10 Kawanarijima, Fuji-shi tel. 054-255-1012

ASTY SHIN-FUJI is located in the Tokaido-Shinkansen Shin-Fuji station . You can find nice shops related to Fuji-shi, and some sell local specialty goods. Also, a tourist information center adjoins ASTY.

● **The Road Station Fujikawa (Fujikawa Rakuza)**

Address: 1488-1 Iwabuchi, Fuji-shi tel. 0545-81-5555

Fujikawa-rakuza is a “Highway Oasis” which is combined with the Tomei Expressway Fujikawa Service Area (Up lane), and Roadside Station (*Michinoeki*). Inside the building, numerous amusement facilities, restaurants and cafes where visitors can enjoy a beautiful view of Mt. Fuji,

a souvenir section featuring local specialty items.

The River Fujigawa, one of Japan's three rivers that feature fast rapids, runs just in front of the Fujikawa Roadside Station. The full panorama commanded by the viewing lounge, stretching from the foot of Mount Fuji across Suruga Bay to Izu Peninsula, is a memorable sight.

The multi-story parking lot has space for 210 vehicles. Mt. Fuji view from its rooftop viewing platform is a must-see.

● ***Fuji-shi Fujikawa Fureai Hall***

Up to 480 people can be accommodated in this community hall, and rooms the public may use include seminar and conference rooms, Japanese-style rooms, a tea ceremony room, and multipurpose rooms. The hall also features the Fuji Municipal Central Library Fujikawa Branch.

• Address: 855-39 Iwabuchi, Fuji-shi tel. 0545-81-2333

• Opening hours: 9:00 to 21:30

• Holidays: Year end and New Year days, legal inspection days

● ***Fuji-Shimin-Katsudo-Centre (Fuji Municipal Activity Centre): COMMUNITY F***

Promoting spontaneous and socially beneficial activities of the citizens, the Fuji City Municipal Activity Center provides opportunities for active cooperation and exchange for different fields of activities.

• Address: 2-10-20 Rakuross 2nd Floor Yoshiwara, Fuji-shi tel.0545-57-1221

• Operating hours: Monday to Saturday : 10:00 ~ 22:00

Sundays & National holidays : 10:00 ~ 17:00

• Holidays: Year end and New Year holidays, other official closing days

◆ **Sports and Recreation**

● **Fuji Marine Pool**

Address: 275—9 Tanaka-shinden, Fuji-shi tel.0545-33-3400

There are straight water slides, water playing tools, a water running pool, and a pool with ripples. It is open from the last Sunday of June to the first Sunday of September. It is open from 9 to 5 but guests are requested to leave the pool by 4:45 p.m.

- Fees : Adults Citizen of Fui-shi 600 yen Others 700 yen
Elementary and Junior high school students
Citizen of Fui-shi 300 yen Others 400 yen
Toddlers 100 yen

● ***Fuji Sogo Undo Koen (Athletic and Recreation General Park)***

Address: 254-1 Obuchi, Fuji-shi

Various sports facilities are available such as a baseball stadium, an athletic field, a gymnasium, tennis courts, a sumo-wrestling field, a warm pool, and a Japanese archery room.

- Closed : Every 4th Thursday (except for July and August), Year-end and New Year days

Heated Indoor Swimming Pool

Opening Hours : 9 : 00~20 : 45 tel.0545-36-2131

*This pool is going to close down in July.

Gymnasium

Closed until further notice

Fuji Athletic Field

Opening Hours : 8 : 30~19 : 00 (October 1st ~ March 31st close at 18 : 00)

Phone: 0545-35-0151

Tennis Courts

Opening Hours : 9:00~21 : 00 Phone: 0545-35-3738

Baseball Stadium

Opening Hours : 8 : 30~18 : 00 (October 1st ~ March 31st close at 17 : 00)

Phone: 0545-36-1140

● ***Fuji-Shiritsu-Fuji-Taiikukan (Fuji Municipal Gymnasium)***

Address: 8-1 Miyuki-cho, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-53-0900

Facilities: A main athletic hall, Judo training room, Kendo training room, a Japanese archery room, and other training rooms as well.

- Opening Hours : 8 : 30~21 : 00
- Holidays : Every 4th Monday (except for July and August), Year-end and New Year days

● ***Fuji-shiritsu-fuji-kawa-Taiikukan (Fuji Municipal Fujikawa Gymnasium)***

Address: 89-1 Kijiima, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-81-2111

Facilities : A main athletic hall, Multipurpose rooms, training rooms, etc.

- Usable hours: 8:30 ~ 21:00
- Holiday: Every 2nd Monday, Thursdays, Year-end and New Year days

● ***Prefectural Fuji Swimming Pool (Ken Fuji Suiei Jo)***

Address: 266 Obuchi, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-35-6022

There are a swimming pool, a diving pool, a training room, etc.

- Opening hours: 10:00 ~ 21:00 (the training room: ~20:45)
- Holiday: Year-end and New Year days and some other days for equipment

● ***Fujisan Kodomono Kuni (Mt. Fuji Children's World)***

Address: 1015 Kazaki, Fuji-shi Phone: 0545-22-5555

Mt. Fuji Children's World has area of 94.5 hectare with great nature and is located at the foot of Mt. Fuji. This park consists of areas called "Grassland World," "Water World," and "City." Earth and nature are the playground equipments in this park. There are available facilities such as campsites, auto camping grounds, and lodges.

- Admission Fee: Infants / Free Elementary students / ¥200 JH students / ¥410 Adults / ¥830
- Opening Hours : April to September ... 9 : 00 ~ 17 : 00
October to March ... 9 : 00 ~ 16 : 00
- Closed : Tuesday (No closing days from May through October, during winter break, Year End & New Year Holidays, spring break, Golden Week Holidays and national holidays.)

Accommodation fee per one Tent / Site				
	Tent		Auto Camping Site	Camping Site
	Large	Small		
Weekends, Special days	8,200 yen	4,100 yen	4,100 yen	1,000 yen
Weekdays	6,500 yen	3,250 yen	3,250 yen	800 yen
Weekdays (staying 2 nights or more)	5,100 yen	2,550 yen	2,550 yen	600 yen

◆ PUBLIC PARKS

● CHUO KOEN (Central Park)

Address: 2-112 Nagata-cho, Fuji-shi

It is located in the center of the city. On sunny days, Mt. Fuji is clearly reflected on the pond alongside swimming water birds. Outdoor concerts are held here too sometimes.

● IWAMOTOYAMA KOEN (Mt. Iwamotoyama Park)

Address: 1605, Aza Hanakodachi, Iwamoto, Fuji-shi

Nice scenery of Mt. Fuji, Hakone, Izu Peninsula, Suruga Bay, and even the Japanese South Alps from the top. There are about 300 Japanese plum trees (*ume*) there too. Plum blossoms, contrasting with red and white, bloom in early spring against Mt. Fuji, the view is amazingly beautiful.

● HIROMI KOEN (Hiromi Town Park)

Address: 46-1 Denpo, Fuji-shi

This park is located next to the Municipal Museum, and historical architectures and stone monuments of Fuji City are displayed there. It also has a scripture park, a cherry blossom park, a rose garden, and a park of prefectural trees.

There are also two “friendship city areas”, Oceanside City, the United States and Kakyo City, China

● **MARUBI SHIZEN KOEN (Marubi Forest Park)**

Address: 10847-1 Obuchi, Fuji-shi

Because this park is making full use of its nature, you can find and see various insects, animals, and plants. It has nature trails, athletic equipment, camping sites and barbeque facilities.

- Reservation is needed for camping. (1000 yen per night for one site)
- Application to: *SHONEN SHIZEN NO IE* (Children’s Nature House) Tel. 0545-35-1697

● **SHONEN SHIZEN NO IE (Children’s Nature House)**

Address: 10847-1 Obuchi, Fuji-shi Tel.0545-35-1697

This facility is located in *MARUBI SHIZEN KOEN* and a stronghold for children’s outdoor activities and group lodging trainings. It can be also used by companies for their training and learning activities. It has a gymnasium, meeting rooms, study rooms, a dining hall, and bathrooms. Reservation for the campsite in *Marubi Forest Park* is also accepted here

● **SEISYONEN KYOIKU CENTER(Education Center for Young People)**

Address: 1-1 Yashiro-cho, Fuji-shi (in Fuji-shi *Kyoiku Plaza*) Tel.0545-55-0560

This center organizes a variety of courses for young people to have them obtain culture and sociality. It also offers a place to young people where they can get together for circle activities and so on.

● **HARADA KOEN**

Address: 704 Aza IimoriHigashi, Harada, Fuji-shi

This park not only acts as a center of the daily recreation space in the Harada and Imaizumi areas, but also functions as an anti-disaster park in case of emergencies.

● **SUDOYAMA KYUYO RIN (Mt. Sudoyama Recreational Forest)**

Address: 1035, Enoo Fuji-shi

This forest is located in the middle of the The River Sudogawa Gorge and has a waterfall 21 meters high. The scenery of the river and the waterfall is beautiful. Especially, autumn colors of the red and yellow leaves are wonderful. In the recreational forest, there are some natural trails and camping sites (520 yen per night for one site, from April, 1st to November, 30th).

- To prevent forest fire, use of fire at other than designated places is prohibited.
- To apply for camping: Forestry Policy Division Tel.0545-55-2783

● ***NODAYAMA KENKO RYOKUCHI KOEN*** (Mt. Nodayama Forest Park)

Address: Nakanogo, Fuji-shi

Mt. *Nodayama* with a height of 470 meters above sea level was included in the Shizuoka Prefecture Fujimi 200 Sights and is in the 24th place in the Shizuoka Prefecture Natural Hundred Sights Record. Rich in Natural Environment, offering a place of relaxation for the residents, with Daishi Open Field • Kinmarusan Open Field • Manba Open Field • Tenbou Open Field, it is also visited by people from different prefectures.

- Inquiry to : Forestry Policy Division Tel.0545-55-2783



Fire Fighting · Medical Emergency

Fire Fighting

● When you see a fire, call #119

The Fire Department, fire stations and fire companies work together to protect citizens' lives and property from fires.

● Prevention of Fire

- Check for possible causes of fires before going to bed and leaving the house.
- Do not smoke in bed.
- Put lighters and matches away from the reach of children.
- Put heaters and cooking stoves away from burnable materials and use them only in a proper manner.

● If a fire starts

- Call 1 1 9 immediately
- Speak loudly and let family members and neighbors know about the fire.
- Extinguish the fire with a fire extinguisher if the fire is small enough.
- If you cannot extinguish the fire, escape quickly.

● Clearly Report a Fire without panicking

It is natural to panic in emergencies; however, please try to calm yourself and speak slowly.

「There is a fire. (*kaji-desu*) The House (storage, grasses, forest) is burning. *Ie (mono-oki, kusa, mori) ga moete-imasu.*) The location is XX City, XX Town, XX, and XX's house. (*Basho-wa OOcho OObanchi-no OOtaku.*) XX (for example, a large building) is a landmark. (*Mokuhyo wa OO desu.*)」

Household Fire Alarm

Oftentimes we notice the occurrence of a fire by our five senses: we see smoke or a fire, smell something burning, or hear splutters. However, it will be too late to find the outbreak of a fire if we solely depend on our senses when we are sleeping or concentrating on something in a room separated by walls, etc.

In such circumstances, it is “a household fire alarm”, which detects the outbreak of a fire immediately and alerts us.

Household fire alarms detect smoke and heat coming from a fire, and alert us with sounds or voices of the outbreak of the fire. Some alarms are wirelessly connected with alarms in other rooms and go off at the same time, while others alert deaf and blind people with lights or vibrations.

Household fire alarms protect not only you but also the lives of your precious family and properties. In addition, by detecting a fire early, you can start controlling the fire in its initial stage and report it

to the fire station sooner. This also lowers the possible damages caused by the fire spreading to your neighbors.

Because of these reasons, the Fire Service Act mandates that every household install household fire alarms in bed rooms and at the stairway (if the bed rooms are not on the ground floor).

[Where to buy household fire alarms]

You can find them at stores dealing with disaster preventive equipment, at electronic appliance shops, home-centers, or electronics retail stores, etc.

Equipment and products with the following mark meet the national legal standards. Fuji city recommends household fire alarms with this mark.



[Where to install household fire alarms]

You basically need to install household fire alarms in bedrooms and on the upper part of the stairway leading to the floor on which bedrooms are located (except for the stairway of the ground floor). Depending on the number of floors of the house, you may need more for other places (stairways).

- Install them in bedrooms.
- Install them on the ceiling or wall of the staircase landing(s) connecting the bedroom floor and the floor(s) below.
- If there are 5 or more rooms with the size of 4 and a half tatami mats or more on the same floor, install them in hallways or similar areas.
- ※ Besides the above places, install them in any possible place where fires can easily occur, such as a kitchen. For a kitchen, it is effective to install those that sense heat in order to avoid false alarms.

You can install household fire alarms easily: you only need a driver or other simple tools for installation, you do not need wires, and they operate with batteries.

[After installing household fire alarms]

Household fire alarms are important devices for they protect our lives. Please remember to maintain and inspect them to make sure they function properly on a regular basis “just in case” of an actual occurrence of a fire.

- When alarms go off

When a fire has occurred, shout to your neighbors to inform them of the fire and call 119. If possible, try to put out the fire.

When it is a false alarm, press the alarm stop button, or pull the string if your fire alarm is equipped with one. Please ventilate the room if the alarm went off after detecting fumes from

cooking, steam, or insecticides.

- How to check fire alarms

1. Please check if your fire alarms function properly once a month.

2. How to maintain fire alarms

If the sensor of the device has dust accumulated, the alarm system does not work well. Clean the device with dry cloth.

3. When to change batteries

When the batteries are dying, some fire alarms notify that with a voice message and some with short beep sound in regular interval. Please replace the batteries.

The life of a fire alarm itself is about 10 years. Please replace the device in 10 years or so after installing it.

Some fire alarms have inspection buttons while others have strings for inspection. Also, they become less sensitive to smoke when they collect dust or spiders make webs over them. Please wipe them off with a dry cloth once a year.

[Please be cautious about malicious home visiting sales persons]

There are some reports that some malicious home visiting sales persons are taking advantage of the mandatory installation of household fire alarms: they visit homes, sell and install them and then charge exceptionally high prices.

Fire departments never ask specific agents to sell them, nor do fire departments sell them directly to homes. If you find some suspicious home visiting sales persons, please contact your fire department immediately. If you think you are a victim, please consult with “Consumers Center: 0545-55-2756” immediately.

Prevention, Fire and Disaster Prevention Section
(2F at Fire Extinction and Disaster Prevention Building)

Medical Emergency

- Call an Ambulance!! #119

When you make an emergency call, #119, be aware of the following.

1. If there is someone who speaks Japanese nearby, ask that person to make the call.
2. The dispatcher will ask you about the location (address), your name, nearby landmarks and the condition of the patient or the situation of the accident. Please stay calm and reply slowly.
3. If the situation permits, please wave to the coming ambulance to let them know the location.
4. Depending on the condition of the person who needs an ambulance, the dispatcher may give you oral directions for first aid. Please follow the instructions.

Unlike from land-line phones, emergency calls from cell phones have margin of error to pinpoint the location of the caller (a few meters to several kilometers), so it may take time to identify the

place of the emergency. If there are both a land-line phone and a cell phone available, use the land-line phone so that the location of emergency can be identified quickly and an ambulance can be despatched sooner.

Ambulances are available in emergencies, such as sickness and accidents. Please strictly obey the following rules when you call #119.

1. Please clearly state the location (address), name, a nearby landmark, and the emergency situation, slowly and calmly.
2. If the location is difficult to find, please make someone stand near the destination to guide the ambulance.
3. Depending on conditions of the person who needs an ambulance, the receiver of the 119 call may instruct the caller to give first-aid. In that case please follow the instruction.
*Please use emergency call service properly.
4. Since November 1st of 2008, with the introduction of the GPS system, it has been possible for callers to make #119 calls with a cell phone which allows tracing of the location.

However as the calls from cell phones are different from the ones of home telephones (or public telephones), there is a slight difference for tracing the calling position (a few meters to a several hundred meters). It takes longer to nail down the spot where the disaster is happening.

Therefore, in case there are two telephones, a home telephone and a cell phone, please use the home telephone and make #119 calls, it takes a shorter time to find the spot, allowing a faster response.



Events Information

●Museum Festival

Date: Mid-May every year

Place: Princess Kaguya Museum, Outdoor exhibit facilities, etc.

Contents: Introduction of activities of the Museum and the groups related to the museum. People can experience various activities while enjoying the fully blossomed roses.

●The Great Exhibition at the foot of Mt. Fuji (*Fuji no fumoto no dai hakurankai*)

Date: Late May every year

Place: Fuji Industrial Exhibition Hall(*Fujisan Messe*)

Contents: Local made ingredients, food, cuisine and manufactured products are exhibited with the theme of Food and Health

●Fuji City Exhibit

Date: 3 weeks in the month of June and July (3 sessions) every year

Place: Fuji City Culture Hall (Rose Theater), Exhibit Room

Content: This is an exhibit of art works by the general public. There are 5 divisions, paintings, sculptures, calligraphy, photographs and craftworks. Admission is free.

●Fuji Festival (*Fuji Matsuri*)

Date: The 4th Sunday of July every year

Place: Rose Theater, Central Park (Chuo Koen) and Aoba Street along the Park

Contents: This is the Citizens' Festival. Various performances, dances, parade and attractions which anyone can join and enjoy.

●Kid's Job

Date: Mid-August every year

Place: Fuji Industrial Exhibition Hall(*Fujisan Messe*)

Contents: This event gives an opportunity to children to experience and learn about various kinds of job such as shop owners, craftsmen and so on.

●Fuji City Skills Festival

Date: Mid-August

Place: Fuji Industrial Exhibition Hall(*Fujisan Messe*)

Contents: This event is to show the craftsmanship in Fuji City.
Just come and see their skills and try to make goods with them.

●Comprehensive Disaster Preparedness Drill · Regional Disaster Preparedness Drill

Dates: Disaster Preparedness Week · · · · · Aug. 30th ~ Sept. 5th

Comprehensive Disaster Preparedness Drill · · · · · Sept. 1st

Regional Disaster Preparedness Drill · · · The First Sunday of December.

Place: Determined by the Voluntary Disaster Prevention Group of your local community.

Content: Training what to do in case of disaster.

Please come and join the drills organized by your neighbors' society.

●Health Festival

Date: Late September every year

Place: *Philanse*

Theme: "Fuji : the city full of cheerfulness, health and smile"

Contents: Cancer screening, body fat and bone density measurement.

A "Crawling and Walking Race for babies (*Haihai-Yochiyochi* Race)", and more.

Get fit with the whole family members!

●Fuji City Cultural Festival

Date: Late May every year (Festival venue in *Fujikawa*)

About a week in early October every year (Festival venue in *Fuji*)

About a week in late October every year (Festival venue in *Fuji*)

Place: *Fujikawa Fureai* Hall for the festival in late May

Fuji City Cultural Hall (Rose Theater) for the festivals in October

Contents: Local cultural groups show stage performances, have exhibitions, give lecture presentations and such. People can enjoy a variety of artistic cultures.

●Citizens' Welfare Festival

Date: The 3rd Sunday of October every year

Place: West side of Chuo Park, Event *Hiroba*

Contents: There are sections of "Stage", "Bazar", "Social welfare", "Children" and "Enlightenment". All kinds of people can come in contact with each other and think about social welfare and the inclusive society.

●International Exchange Fair

Date: 1st Sunday of February every year

Place: *Fujisan Messe*

Contents: Foreign residents and international exchange volunteer groups in Fuji City area get together. Enjoy world wide foods, performance and culture.



International Exchange Fair

Date: Saturday, February 20 and Sunday, February 21, 2016

● **Tagonoura Port Festa**

Date: mid-September every year

Place: around Fuji pier, *Tagonoura* port

Purpose: This is an event to get familiar with ports, the ocean, and ships for the festivity of Tagonoura Port.

● **Fuji Bousai (Disaster Prevention)**

Date: The 3rd Saturday of November every year

Place: Fujisan-Messe (*Fuji Sangyo Kouryu Tenji Jyo*)

Purpose: This is an event the wide range of generation, from children to adults, can learn and experience about disaster prevention.

● **Monodukuri Ryoku (Manufacturing Technology) Exchange Fair**

Date: around February, every odd-numbered year

Place: Fujisan Messe

Purpose: Manufacturers in Fuji-shi get together and introduce their technology and products.