

# Kakamigahara English News

## **Municipal Housing (*Shiei Juutaku*)**

For those interested in low-rent municipal housing (*shiei juutaku*) the registration time is coming soon. This process will take a minimum of 3 trips to the City Hall (One for picking up the application/ explanation, for turning in the application, and then for the choosing/lottery), assuming you have all your paperwork in order. You must have a permanent residency status and a Japanese co-signor/ guarantor. You also need to have a family and/or dependents to qualify, as well as earnings/salary prerequisite of 114,000 yen per month or less.

The rooms available are 2K and 3DK, there are no 2DK apartments available this year.

The lottery will be held Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> from 2 PM at the City Hall 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Daikaigi-shitsu EAST. Those who do not place in the lottery may be put on a waiting list for up to 6 months beginning August 1<sup>st</sup>.

For more information, please call the *Kenchiku Shido* division at 058-383-1111 ext 2719.

## **The Kakamigahara International Association (KIA)**

You can find us on the 6th floor of the Sangyou Bunka Center in the Brand Creation Division, our hours are 8:30 AM-5:15 PM.

Telephone: 058-383-1426

E-Mail: [kia@city.kakamigahara.gifu.jp](mailto:kia@city.kakamigahara.gifu.jp)

Website: [www.kia1986.org](http://www.kia1986.org)

Please feel free to contact us if you have questions, comments, or for more information.

## **Children's Health Services For July:**

Times for children health checks are from 13:00~13:30.

Please use the designated location for the area you live in. The areas are:

Sogo Fukushi Kaikan: For those living in the **Naka, Kawashima, Sohara, and Inaba Nishi Elementary School** areas.

Asahi Kodomokan: For those living in the **Unuma and Inaba Higashi Elementary** areas.

4 months

Day	Location	For Children Born
July 5 (Tue)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	February1~ 15 2016
July 6 (Wed)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	February 16~ 31 2016
July 7 (Thurs)	Asahi Kodomokan	February 2016

Includes physical

11 months

Date	Location	For Children Born
July 25 (Mon)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	August 2015
July 26 (Tue)	Asahi Kodomokan	August 2015

Physical and dental inspection

1 year 6 months (18 months)

Date	Location	For Children Born
July 11 (Mon)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	December 1-15, 2014
July 12 (Tue)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	December 16-31, 2014
July 13 (Wed)	Asahi Kodomokan	December, 2014

*Includes physical and dental check*

3 years

Date	Location	For Children Born
July 19 (Tue)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	June 1-15, 2013
July 20 (Wed)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	June 16-30, 2013
July 21 (Thurs)	Asahi Kodomokan	June 2013

*Includes physical, vision and hearing check, urine exam.*

For more information contact the Kakamigahara Kenko Kanrikan TEL 058-383-1115

## **Blood Drives in July**

There will be 3 opportunities to donate blood in July!

Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at the Apita Kakamigahara Store

Morning: 9:30 AM~ 12 Noon / Afternoon: 1:30 PM~ 4:00 PM

***Blood Drives in July, Continued :***

Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> Kakamigahara City Hall  
Morning: 9:30 AM~ 1:00 PM / Afternoon: 2:15PM~ 4:00 PM

**City Hall Holiday / After Hours and Services for June:**

The Kakamigahara City Hall will have the following irregular hours for the following services in June. Please use the basement entrance located on the North Side of the Main building.

**City Tax:**

Holiday hours: June 12<sup>th</sup> (Sun) 10 AM~5 PM  
TEL: 058-383-4773

**Consultations:**

June 8-10<sup>th</sup> (Wed, Thurs, Fri) 5:15 PM~8 PM (First floor of City Hall, Tax Division)

**National Health Insurance Premiums:**

None for June.

**Naka Area Taikukan Renewal**

The Naka area Taikukan (Sports Hall/ Gymnasium) has completed renovations. Improvements include making the facility barrier free and new Western-Style lavatories.

For information on events, services, rentals, etc., please call the Sports Division at 058-383-1231.

**“Our Favorite Things” Music Festival 2016**

The annual music festival will be going on July 10<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) from 12:20 PM~8:40 PM at Gifu Toto Aqua Park in the park area near the Kisogawa Water Park area. There will be a stage and food area. Several media outlets will be there including ZIP FM and Space Shower TV. Check out more stuff online at (<http://www.ourfavoritethings.jp/>)

Advance Tickets are 3,000 yen and are available at the Brand Souzouka office (6th Floor of the Sangyou Bunka Center), and tickets are also available through Family Mart convenience stores and e+ ticket sales. Tickets will be 4,000 yen on the day of the festival.

For more information, please call 058-383-9925

### **The Kisogawa River Cormorant Fishing**

The Kisogawa River Cormorant Fishing season will be starting soon in Inuyama, and you can make reservations for riding along on the water.

The season is from June 1<sup>st</sup> through to October 15<sup>th</sup>. The time (start to finish) is approximately 75 minutes, 5:45 PM~8:10 PM (June~August) and 5:15 PM ~7:45 PM (September~October). Boarding is in Inuyama.

Please call the Kisogawa Tourist Company for reservations or further information at 0568-61-2727

### **To All Dog and Cat Owners**

As a general message to all pet owners, particularly with regards to dogs and cats, it is a good idea to consider having microchips implanted subcutaneously to make finding, returning, and identifying owners easier and faster. It is also useful for those who travel with their pets and also helps reduce incidence of pet theft. Please call 058-380-3003 for more information or ask your vet.

### **Where Your Tax Yen Go**

This month, to provide some transparency for the public with regards to the responsible use of city treasure (an increasing issue it seems in Japan). It was nice to see that palatial suites and dinners for the family of city officers or other questionable uses of taxes collected from Kakamigahara residents. To summarize the main uses of city funds by overall % of the collected monies, here's the "Top 3 Uses of tax Revenues" for Kakamigahara City:

1. Citizen's Social Services (management, child care, senior citizens, etc. )
2. Education (Elementary and Middle Schools, Libraries, maintenance/ up keep, administration)
3. General (Resident's Associations Promotional expenses, Family Registry, etc . )

You can find a detailed report and listing in the Japanese version of the Kakamigahara Kouhou.

**\*Please Note: Fire Hazards. There was a small brush fire at the Sangyou Bunka Center Monday May 23rd. Always be certain to carefully extinguish fires and properly dispose of smoking materials!**