Okinawa City Hall Administrative News for Registered Residents



# %OKINAWA CITY Newsletter

November 2025

Okinawa-shi Yakusho Bunka Geino Ka (B1) 💒 26-1 Nakasone-Cho, Okinawa City, Okinawa 904-8501





### Okinawa Kokusai Carnival 2025

**Okinawa City Presents** 

#### **International Carnival**

Live music, World Parade.

Ryukyuan traditional dances, Eisa performance, entertainments from various countries, street dance, and many more!

Date & Time:

### November 22 (Sat), 2025

Start: 10:00  $\sim$ 20:30 Parade Starts:12:00 $\sim$ 

Venue: Music Town 1F 音楽広場 (Admission Free)

Gate 2 Street

Please visit our website for more information https://www.oki-carnival.com/english.html

**Contact: Okinawa international carnival committee** a56bunka@city.okinawa.lg.jp

098-929-0261



### OKINAWA city Motor Show 2025

2 days of exciting motor sports!

Date: November 8 (Sat) 12:00 to 18:00 : November 9 (Sun) 10:00 to 18:00

Venue: Okinawa City Suntory Arena & Koza

Sports Park

Admission FREE!!

**Contents: Motor Sports Vehicle Exhibition** Let's Have Fun with the whole Family!

Few parking spaces at the venue.

Please use public transportation to avoid traffic jams. Contact: Okinawa Motor Show Committee 2025 Email here: info@okinawamotorshow.com



Total Population: 141,670

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[Japanese Population] Male: 67,319 Female: 71,926 [Foreign Population (65Countries)] Male: 1,465 Female: 955



The Okinawa City Hall's Bunka Geino Ka (the Culture & Traditional Arts Division) selects excerpts from the city's public relations newsletter (Koho Okinawa) and published them in English in hopes of better serving our community of residents who may have difficulty reading or understanding Japanese. These articles are translated by the Culture &

Traditional Arts Division staff and are provided for reference only. Administrative services are provided in Japanese only (unless otherwise indicated). For English support, please email: kokusai@city.okinawa.lg.jp. You can also view monthly issues of the newsletters and other information about living in Okinawa City by clicking the ENGLISH/link on the Okinawa City website: <a href="http://www.city.okinawa.okinawa.jp/">http://www.city.okinawa.okinawa.jp/</a>

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### Announcements

### !!! Important Notice !!!! Payment of prefectural and municipal taxes

県税・市町村税徴収強化月間

In order to ensure tax fairness and justice, November and December have been designated as months for strengthening the collection of prefectural, municipal, and township taxes, and we are working together to enhance collection measures.

For delinguent borrowers who have failed to pay after receiving notice from Okinawa City, we are working to liquidate their delinguencies, including the seizure of savings, wages, real estate, and other assets. If you have not yet finished your payments, please make your payment as soon as possible.

If you are unable to pay your taxes on time due to unavoidable circumstances such as business closure, unemployment, or illness, please contact the Tax Collection Division as soon as possible. Nighttime tax consultation services are available every Wednesday.

(Except holidays)

### Date:

**Every Wednesdays** (Except Holidays)

Time:17:15 to 20:00 Place: 2nd Floor City Hall

Contact: Tax Collection Division

098-939-1210 (納税課) Contact: Nouzei Ka

(Tax Collection Division) 098-939-1210

### ► National Early Warning System (J-Alert) Drill

Jアラート全国一斉情報伝達試験実施

On Nov 12 (Wed) around 11:00 a.m., the Fire and Disaster Management Agency will conduct a J-Alert System test. The announcement will be broadcast through the wireless "disaster prevention speakers" set throughout Okinawa City. December 3 (Wed) is Back up day Announcement/ chime +

"korewa J-Arato no tesuto desu" x 3 City Hall

"Kochira wa bosai Okinawa shiyakusho desu" + chime

This system (J-Alert) enables us to receive instant information about earthquakes, tsunami, and other emergencies via satellite.

Contact:

Bosai KI KI Kanri Tanto (防災危機管理担当) (Disaster Prevention Section) Ext. 2046, 2047

### Looking for Photos of

Goeku Gusuku Castle

越来グスクの写真を探しています

The terrain of Goeku Gusuku Castle has been completely lost, making it impossible to know what it looked like in its time. Therefore, we are seeking anyone who may have photographs of Goeku Gusuku Castle.

If you have any old photographs of Goeku Gusuku Castle, please contact us. City Museum Contact: Okinawa TEL:098-932-6882

> Okinawa City Hall will be Closed on **November 3 (Mon) November 24 (Mon)**

For a Culture Day & Substitute for Labor Day

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#### **▶** Please note:

**November** is the payment deadline for the following taxes:

Long-term care insurance premium (6<sup>th</sup> term)/ National health insurance premium (5<sup>th</sup> term)

Medical care for the elderly insurance premium (5<sup>th</sup> term).

If you use automatic bank transfers, payments will be withdrawn on **December 1 (Mon)**.

Make sure you have enough money in your bank account the day before.

## ► Advanced Care Planning AKA ACP The Ending Notebook Giveaway

11月30日は、「人生会職の日」です。

Have you heard of Advance Care Planning? It is a process where the patients, family, friends, and medical care team repeatedly discuss medical and care-related to prepare for future changes and support the patient's decision-making. This is also known a "Life Meeting". During this process, you and your loved ones, such as partners and family members, discuss what your likes, dislikes, and thoughts while you are still healthy. This ensures that you can live according to your wishes in your familiar community or environment until the end of your life. Email: kokusai@city.okinawa.lg.jp

**Ending Notebook**: FREE to take it at the location below.

Place: Okinawa City Hall Basement 2nd floor. Contact: Kaigo Hoken Ka: Nursing Care Insurance Division 3143

This book is useful not only for the elderly but also for all foreigners living in Okinawa City.

English edition will be issue in December 2025! Please come pick it up.





### □ ► Limitation of issue at Convenience store

コンビニ交付の休止

Due to power outage at City Hall Facility You are not able to issue the following documents at convenience store.

Any documents issued by Okinawa City Hall.沖縄紙発行の各証明書

Copy of Residence Record 住民票の写し,Family register certificate戸籍証明,Family registration-address history 戸籍附票,Inkan registration certificate 印鑑登録 証明書Income Certificate 所得証明書,Income Taxation Certificate 所得課税証明書. user's registration application 利用者登録申請

Certificates issued by municipalities other than Okinawa city Hall are issued as usual.

Date Nov 21 (Fri) 17:30 ~ Nov 23 (Sun) noon

Contact: Shimin Ka (Residential Division) Ext. 3121

# Okinawa Prefectural Chubu Agricultural and Forestry High School-Evening Course Special Recruitment 中部農林高校定時制 特別募集

The 2026 Special Enrollment Program for the Evening Course (Agriculture Department) is a recruitment system targeting working adults aged 20 or older (including those engaged in housework and childcare). No academic aptitude test will be administered; selection will be based on an essay, interview, and submitted materials.

Those wishing to apply for this program should inform their former junior high school of their intent to apply within December 2025 and request the preparation of an application form. For details, please contact the Evening Course Admissions Office at Chubu Agricultural and Forestry High School.

\*All services are provided in Japanese. Please come with someone who understands Japanese.

Contact: Evening Course Admissions Office, Chubu Agricultural and Forestry High School TEL: 098-973-3578

### Vocational Basic Training for the Unemployed Youth, etc. 若年無業者等職業基礎訓練

Vocational foundation training will be provided for job seekers aged 15 to 49, equipping them with the essential knowledge and skills needed for employment. This practical program combines classroom instruction with workplace experience.

Date: Monday, December 1, 2025 - Saturday, February 28, 2026

Location: Support Center Yumesaki Okinawa Branch Address: 3F BC Koza, 2-28-1 Chuo, Okinawa City Eligibility: Job seekers aged 15 to 49 (who can register with Support Station Okinawa)

\* Registration conditions apply. For details, please inquire by phone or email.

Capacity: 10 people Apply by phone or email

Application Period: Wednesday, October 1– Friday, November 21

\*\*All services are provided in Japanese. Please come with someone who understands Japanese.

Contact: Local Youth Support Station Okinawa

TEL:098-989-4224 Email: info@supportokinawa.info

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### Announcements

FY 2026 After School Day Care (Gakudo) Open for New En-放課後児童クラブ入会申し込み try April 2026 Registration for after-school children's clubs of FY 2026 April in the city is open from November.

Eligible: \*Kindergarten aged children are not eligible for this. Children must be elementary school student in FY2026.

**Application Period:** 

November 10 (Mon)- 29 (Sat) \*Closed on Sundays Where to apply:

Your chosen Day care facility (Gakudo).

#### **Required Document:**

Application form & Certificate of Employment (available at each day care facility).

Please make copy all submittal documentations, you can also use same documents for apply Kindergarten/Nursery

\*Please note that applications submitted during this period will be examined and selected for each facility, not first-come-first-serve basis.

\* Application can submit for children enrolled in the club's designated elementary school in principle. Services at each facility is available in Japanese Only

Contact: Okinawa City After School Support Center (ASSC) TEL:098-923-0418

Please call with Japanese speaker and apply with your personal interpreter.

### Heartful Fukushi Fair (Welfare Fair) ハートフル福祉フェア

This fair will be held in conjunction with "Disability Awareness Month" and "Mental Health and Welfare Month." Its purpose is to promote understanding of disabilities and foster a spirit of mutual support. It is a opportunity to all citizens, regardless of disability status, can freely interact with one another.

A treasure trove of unique works and hand-made products Date & Time:

[Exhibition] Introduction of businesses, activities and their products

Monday, November 17 – Friday, November 28 8:30-17:15 8:30-17:15 Weekdays only

[Product Fair] Hand-made Products for sale Monday, December 1 - Friday, December 5 10:00-15:00

Venue: Okinawa City Hall 1F Contact: Disabilities Welfare Division (Ext. 3159 · 3212)

### ► Announcement from Okinawa Prefectural

School for the Visually Impaired (沖縄盲学校)

~Turning visual challenges into strength, taking a new step forward by utilizing qualifications~ 沖縄盲学校よりお知らせ

~見えにくさを力に、資格を活かして新たな一歩を~

Okinawa Prefectural School for the Visually Impaired will hold pre-application consultations and entrance exam information session for the High School General Course and Specialized Courses (Anma Massage Shiatsu, Acupuncture, Moxibustion). Participation in the preapplication consultation is mandatory for prospective applicants. Those wishing to attend should apply by telephone.

**Pre-application Consultation** 

Date: Tuesday, October 14 to Friday, November 28

Time: To be arranged

Location: 4F, Counseling Rm. Okinawa Prefectural School for the Visually Impaired (Adress: 473 Kanegusuku, Haebaru Town)

**Entrance Exam Information Session** Date & Time: Friday, December 5 14:30-15:30 Location: 4F, Conference Rm. Okinawa Prefectural School for the Visually Impaired

\*All services are provided in Japanese. Please come with someone who understands Japanese.

Contact: Okinawa Prefectural School for the Visually Impaired TEL: 098-889-5375

#### -----<sup>I</sup> ☆Okinawa City Library News☆

★Story time: Nov 8 (Sat), Nov 15 (Sat) 22 (Sat), Start Time: 15:00 pm

Place: Story Telling Room

おはなしの部屋

Infant Book Start for 9 & 10month old: Nov 30 (Sun) Website: https://www.city.okinawa.okinawa.jp/lib/

Address: 2-28-1 Chuo, Okinawa City B.C Koza (KORINZA) (1F) TEL: 098-929-4919



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沖縄市役所 文化芸能課 (B1)

26-1 Nakasone-Cho, Okinawa City, Okinawa Fel: (098) 929-0261 FAX: (098) 923-3485 Tel: (098) 929-0261



#### **Koza International Plaza**

4-1-3 Chuo, Nankai Product Building 1st Floor Okinawa City TEL 098-989-9767 Email: kipokinawa@gmail.com Mon-Fri :10:00-19:00/ Sat: 10:00~ 17:00 Closed on Sundays and Japanese holidays.

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